


SBI-2 SIDE EVENT #2458

**THE ROLE OF
NATIONAL ECOSYSTEM
ASSESSMENTS IN THE
POST-2020 AGENDA:
OPPORTUNITIES FOR
POLICY IMPACT**

12TH JULY 2018 13:15

A photograph of terraced rice fields in a mountainous region, likely in Southeast Asia. The terraces are filled with green rice plants, and the surrounding landscape is lush and hilly. A small wooden structure is visible in the foreground.

Many governments recognise that human well-being is dependent on healthy functioning ecosystems and the services they provide.

Yet national policy setting and decision making processes often do not take full account of biodiversity and ecosystem services (BES).


National ecosystem assessments can deliver an evidence base that meets the needs of decision makers through a tried and tested stakeholder engagement process.

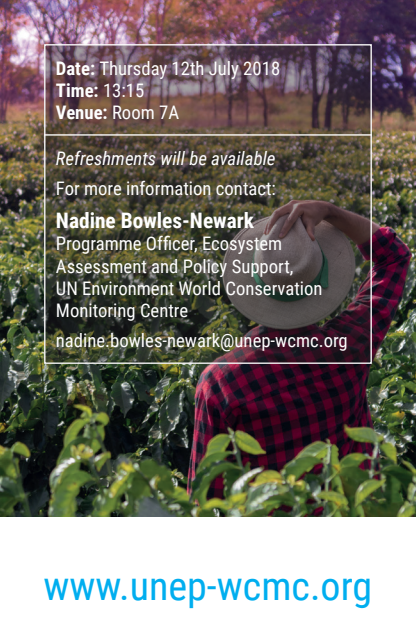
A joint project between BES-Net, hosted by UNDP, and UNEP-WCMC entitled 'Undertaking national ecosystem assessment in developing countries' is designed to build the capacity of four developing countries (Cameroon, Colombia, Ethiopia, and Viet Nam).

This side event will use case-study style presentations to showcase practical examples of the assessment progress in each country since 2016.

A panel discussion will follow on the role of ecosystem assessment in the post-2020 agenda and how assessment findings will be integrated into national decision making processes.

There will be opportunity to explore the impacts and benefits of national ecosystem assessments for national and sub-national decision making.

A photograph of two people in a field, possibly a rice field, with one person carrying a basket on their head. The background shows a vast, open landscape with some structures in the distance.



Date: Thursday 12th July 2018

Time: 13:15

Venue: Room 7A

Refreshments will be available

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