Ecosystem Services for Nature Based Solutions and Sustainable Financing of Ecosystem Conservation and Restoration

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Cost of ecosystem loss 2-5% of GDP per year (*Science, 2002*) (2-3 Trillion\$ damage-costs, replacement & restoration costs, etc.)



Rapid increase in Ecosystem Service science and policy awareness



www.ipbes.net



Biodiversity, what is it worth to you? [10 good reasons] ca 2:30 min

http://vimeo.com/38736492





Total Economic Value of Tropical Forest

66%

7%

27%

6.000 US\$/ha/year

Ecosystem Service	Direct Use	Indirect Use	Non Use
	Value #	Value #	Value #
T@TAL: 5,935 US\$/ha/year (n = 132)	1,666 79		<u>397</u> 12
PROVISIONING SERVICES	1,285 59	/	
1 Food	67 21		
2 Water	143 3		
3 Raw materials	412 27		
4 Genetic resources	483 4		
5 Medicinal resources	181 4		
6 Ornamental resources			
REGULATING SERVICES		3,890 40	
7 Influence on air quality		230 2	
8 Climate regulation		2,191 11	
9 Moderation of extreme events		63 3	
10 Regulation of water flows		18 4	
11 Waste treatment / water purification		177 6	
12 Erosion prevention		694 9	
13 Maintenance of soil fertility		508 3	
14 Pollination		10 2	
15 Biological control		9 1	
HABITAT SERVICES			397 12
16 Lifecycle maintenance (esp. nursery service			13 1
17 Maintenance of genetic diversity (gene pool prot.)			397 12
CULTURAL SERVICES	381 20		
18 Aesthetic information			
19 Opportunities for recreation and tourism	381 20		
20 Inspiration for culture, art and design			
21 Spiritual experience			
22 Information for cognitive development			



AGENINGEN UR For quality of life In ADDITION* to intrinsic and cultural values



*) or not ...??

we are still cutting & degrading tropical forests and other natural ecosystems for short term 'economic' gains

The Economics of Ecosystems & Biodiversity



NATURA 2000 COST estimates

Building on the results of the Member States questionnaire, the **annual costs** of implementing the Natura 2000 network were estimated as **€5.8 billion** per year for the EU-27. (Gantioler, 2010)

Average: 63€/ha/y (range: 10 – 800€/ha/y) incl. acquisition & infrastructure dev. (30%) + management

Marine sites: < 3 €/ha/y.







Question: is money spent on, eg employment a "cost'?



Natura 2000 BENEFITS

"A number of examples have demonstrated that the benefits can be **3–7 times** larger than the costs"



According to a study in <u>Ireland</u>, the aggregate benefits provided by the Burren park's limestone pavements and the orchid rich grasslands were estimated to amount to €4,420 / ha / year . The total benefit from the Park is estimated to be €65 million per year or about 3 times as much as the cost of Government support (Gantioler, 2010)

The protection of all 300 Natura 2000 sites throughout <u>Scotland</u> was estimated to have an overall **benefit cost ratio of around 7** over a 25-year period (Jacobs, 2004). Total benefits were estimated at £210 million per year, however, 99% is non-use value (Gantioler, 2010)

In 2008 a study was carried out in **France** to determine costs and benefits of the Natura 2000 site 'Plaine de la Crau'. The calculated overall net benefits amounted to €142ha/year, which was **around seven times higher than the costs associated with the site**. (Hernandez & Sainteny, 2008).



De Loonse en Drunense Duinen (3500 ha) (The Netherlands)





100 x





Cost per ha:142 euro/yrBenefits per ha:15.338 euro/yr

Important Ecosystem Services

- Recreation
- Air filtration
- Real estate value increase (proximity to Natura 2000)
- CO₂ sequestration
- Water-filtration

Benefits of Ecosystem Restoration

Blignaut et al. screened 20.000 publ.; 95 selected for further analysis *

Benefit – Cost Ratio of Ecosystem Restoration



Assumptions: high cost scenario, average benefit scenario, time horizon = 40 years (including 10% annual operation costs; discount rate = 1 %) WAGE ENINGEN For quality of life * De Groot et al., 2013

Policy awareness greatly increased after 2010



COP 10 MOP 5 Nagoya, Japan 2010 Life in Harmony, into the future



CBD (2010): species loss 47.500/year (1/11 min) Up from 27.000 in 2002 ...



CBD, Nagoya, Oct 2010



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EU Biodiversity Strategy 2020 (May 2011) "our life insurance, our natural capital"

-> Aichi Target 2 By 2020, at the latest, biodiversity values have been integrated into national and local development and poverty reduction strategies and planning processes and are being incorporated into national accounting

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Action 2: All member states should have done a National TEEB study by 2014



TEEB in Europe



STEPS:

- 1. Identify & Asses a. Indicators

 - b. Mappingc. Quantification

< 2014: map & quantify

2. Estimate Values a. In physical units

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< 2020: Valuation ready

- 3. Capture Values -subsidies/taxes -Payments for ES
 - -Policy change
 - -Institutional change

< ?? : Instit. change ?

The Economics of Ecosystems & Biodiversity



- 1. Government run finance mechan. (public incentives: subsidies/taxes)
 - Agri-environmental schemes ["farming for nature"]
 - Conservation payments (e.g. watershed-prot. [NYC] REDD+ (forests->blue C. & restoration)
 - Other (eg. tax-incentives for green investments)

2. Government supported market creation

- Offsets, eg Carbon credits [145 billion\$ 2009/800 US\$/ha/y Ecosystem Market PI
- Other "eco-assets" (eg. salinity credits, wetland banking, high-rise buildings(!))

3. Private market arrangements [PES – payment for use of ES]

- User fees (eg. resources (water), eco-tourism, bioprospecting)
- Biorights (compensate local people for *not* damaging ES, i.e cons.easem/Perrier)

-Ecolabelling: Cert.Agr.Products (40 billion \$ 2008/2,5% of total market) FSC: 5 billion, Fair Trade, etc)









Civil-Public-Private-Partnerships [cp3]

Collaborative governance approaches for policy innovation to enhance biodiversity and ecosystem services delivery in agricultural landscapes

Kick-off Meeting May 27-28, 2015 Berlin



National landscape 'Groene Woud' : PPP-example



For quality of life

> 200.000 €/year for regional development

Regional Funds in the Netherlands

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100%



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Supported by: RaboBank, Min. of Infrastructure, Min. of Economic Affairs, National Greenfund (a.o. lotteries & donations)

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Nationaal Groenfonds

Innovative instruments: eg. Landscape Auctions



26.000 € for a small lake 140.000 € various landscape elements in Ooijpolder



10 year lease-contract ...

- 100 m hedgerow
- a bench or historic tree
- free view
- etc



Public Financing: agri-environmental schemes

Paying farmers to restore/enhance env. quality and provide additional services (landscape-quality, recreation, biodiversity, etc)

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4 types of services — -Landscape -Nature & environment -Cultural History -Education & access

Points for degree of Service provision

Each point is 10 € ⇒**5.812,50 €** (example)



Source: "Landscapefund"

a) Public money

(subsidies, taxes, etc)

b) Private money (products, sponsoring, etc)



RURAL EUROPEAN PLATFORM

connecting grassroots and policy

- stable farmer income
- regional development
- biodiversity, natural beauty
- open space

REP is the network for effective and innovative solutions by creating the right conditions for **financing sustainable rural development** through co-operation between the public and the private sector.

What does REP do?

- REP is managing and clustering regional projects that are congruent with the REP philosophy, e.g. on
 - regional marketing and supply chains,
 - integrating farming and nature conservation,
 - novel public-private partnerships for financing;
- REP is the facilitator of choice for high level policy makers:
 - knowledge transfer between grassroots experience and policy making,
 - policy roundtables on sustainable rural development;







Natural Capital Declaration (2012)



WBCSD: "...work together to establish a harmonised way to measure and value nature in business"

http://www.naturalcapitalcoalition.org/



Valuation & visualisation of trade-offs brings people together



www.es-partnership.org (since 2008) > 2.200 'friends'



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