



IPBES-CH: communication concept

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National platform of IPBES in Switzerland

Interface for exchange between

- IPBES Platform and process
- Swiss policy and science communities on biodiversity & ecosystem services (experts)
- Other stakeholders and public

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Communication means

- Website: www.biodiversity.ch (future: ipbes.ch)
- Infomails to registered experts (currently ca.1200 experts in CH)
- Meetings
 - infomeetings in CH and Europe/Central Asia,
 - meetings with other European platforms,
 - IPBES plenaries
- Lectures (i.e. at different Swiss institutions)
- Blogs, movies, media (newspapers, radio, TV)

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What to communicate ?

- Open calls for nominations of experts
- Open calls for review of documents
- Open calls for fellows to the IPBES Young Assessment Fellowship Programme
- Final products (assessments, summary for policymakers, catalogue of assessments, catalogue of policy tools, etc,...)
- Swiss experts working for IPBES

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Anmeldung zum IPBES-Newsletter:

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Prof. Markus Fischer

Universität Bern

Mitglied der Schweizerischen Delegation & beteiligt an den „Regionalen Assessments“, Ziel 2b



Was ist Ihr fachlicher Hintergrund?

Ursprünglich bin ich Pflanzenökologe. Mittlerweile habe ich aber viele Erfahrung in verschiedenen Fachgebieten, darunter Populationsbiologie von gefährdeten und invasiven Arten oder Naturschutzbiologie und Science-Policy Arbeit.

Was hat sie bewogen, sich an IPBES zu beteiligen?

Ich betrachte IPBES als große Chance, wissenschaftlich fundiert dazu beitragen zu können, politische und gesellschaftliche Lösungen zu vielen Biodiversitätsfragen und -problemen zu finden und damit der Bedeutung der Biodiversität als unserer Lebensgrundlage besser gerecht zu werden.

Was machen Sie bei IPBES genau?

Ich bin Mitglied der Schweizerischen Delegation bei den Plenarsitzungen, zu denen ich wissenschaftlichen Input liefere. Ich war zudem bereits in IPBES-Arbeitsgruppen zum Konzeptionellen Rahmenwerk, zu den Guidelines für Regional Assessments und zum Scoping der Regional Assessments beteiligt.

Wie lässt sich Ihr Engagement in IPBES mit Ihrem Arbeitsalltag verknüpfen?

Ich schätze meinen Aufwand seit der IPBES-Gründung auf etwa 10%. Ich setze dafür meine Freizeit ein und freue mich über die sinnvolle Tätigkeit und viele anregende Kontakte.

Was raten Sie Wissenschaftlern, die sich am IPBES-Prozess beteiligen möchten?

Seien Sie sich bewusst sein, dass zum einen der Einsatz größer wird, als anfangs vermutet und die Arbeit teilweise nicht von Ihren normalen Peers wertgeschätzt wird. Und dass zum anderen, IPBES eine science-policy Plattform ist und keine rein wissenschaftliche Aktivität. Daher müssen Sie Verständnis und Geduld gegenüber dem politischen Prozess mitbringen.

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IPBES Pan European Stakeholder Conference 22 & 23. September 2014

Museum of Natural History & Museum of Cultures in Basel, Switzerland



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Website for IPBES CH platform: www.biodiversity.ch

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Intergovernmental Science-policy Plattform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)

In April 2012, the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) was established, as the leading intergovernmental body for assessing the state of the planet's biodiversity, its ecosystems and the essential services they provide to society.

IPBES provides a mechanism recognized by both the scientific and policy communities to synthesize, review, assess and critically evaluate relevant information and knowledge generated worldwide by governments, academia, scientific organizations, non-governmental organizations and indigenous communities. This involves a credible group of experts in conducting assessments of such information and knowledge in a transparent way. IPBES is unique in that it will aim to strengthen capacity for the effective use of science in decision-making at all levels. Further Information at the [IPBES website](#).

The Swiss Biodiversity Forum, in close collaboration with the Federal Office for the Environment, is organizing a national platform for IPBES (soon available on this site). If you want to receive IPBES news or are interested to contribute to one of the assessments, please send your contact details to eva.spehn@scnat.ch

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Swiss IPBES Info-meeting, 3rd of March 2015, Bern

Tuesday, 03.03.2015, 13:30 till 17:00, Institute of Plant Sciences (IPS) and Botanical Garden, Altenbergrain 23, Bern, Switzerland

IPBES Engagement Network (google group)

The screenshot shows the Google Groups interface for the 'IPBES Engagement Network'. At the top, there's a Google search bar and a user profile for 'forumbiodiversitaet@gmail.com'. Below the search bar, the 'Groups' section is visible with a 'NEW TOPIC' button. The main content area is titled 'IPBES Engagement Network' and is marked as 'Shared publicly'. It includes a star icon, a 'Join group to post' button, and a '+1' button. To the right of the group name are links for 'About' and 'Show all topics'. The group description, titled 'Get engaged in IPBES!', welcomes members and explains the network's purpose: to bring together all persons and groups interested in the process of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service (IPBES). It states that everyone is welcome to ask questions, share experiences, post relevant news, and exchange opinions. It also mentions that most information is posted in English and expresses gratitude for voluntary translations. A second paragraph explains that the network is an initiative from knowledge holders in the IPBES context, moderated by volunteers, and provides the contact information for the IPBES secretariat (secretariat[a]ipbes.net). A third paragraph notes that the network was set up by a group of knowledge holders after IPBES-2 to share information, mobilize stakeholders, and discuss how they could best be engaged in the IPBES process.

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Get engaged in IPBES!

Welcome to the IPBES Engagement Network! The IPBES Engagement Network aims at bringing together all persons and groups interested in the process of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service (IPBES). Everyone interested in advancing the involvement of scientists, conservation organizations, businesses and other civil society actors in IPBES is welcome to ask questions, share experiences, post relevant news and exchange opinions. So far, most information are posted in English. Thus, we are very grateful to every voluntary translation by interested network members.

The IPBES Engagement Network is an initiative from knowledge holders for knowledge holders in the IPBES context and is moderated by a group of volunteers from different organisations and networks. For official information on IPBES, please visit ipbes.net or contact the IPBES secretariat ([secretariat\[a\]ipbes.net](mailto:secretariat@ipbes.net)).

The self-organized web-based open IPBES Engagement Network was set up by a group of knowledge holders after IPBES-2, since they saw an urgent need to share information, to mobilize stakeholders and knowledge holders and to discuss how they could best be engaged in the IPBES process.

IPBES Engagement Network (google group)

- Linking people interested in the IPBES process, its developments, products and outcomes
- Posting up-to-date information on the IPBES and related national and international processes
- Facilitating information exchange and dissemination
- Fostering discussions
- Facilitating the ongoing development of an self-organized and inclusive open-ended Stakeholder Network as suggested by the coordinated stakeholder group at IPBES-3 and recognized in the adopted
- Stakeholder Engagement Strategy (IPBES/3/L.15)
- Supporting capacity building and mutual understanding

<https://groups.google.com/forum/?hl=en-GB#!forum/ipbes-engagement-network>



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Existing collaborations

- Swiss science and policy community
- IPBES Stakeholder engagement forum
- Other IPBES platforms in Europe (Germany, France, UK, Portugal, Belgium)
- IPBES secretariat in Bonn
- Key data holders, e.g. European Environmental Agency
- International research community (Future Earth, GEO BON)

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