

# **Economic Valuation of Ecosystem Services in IW-Projects: Training Materials on the systematic integration of the economic valuation of ecosystem services into the TDA/SAP methodology**

## **Session 1, Subsession 1: „Introduction and Ecosystem Services“**

Related reading: Introduction of the Guidance Document, available at: [www.iwlearn.net/valuation](http://www.iwlearn.net/valuation) and [www.iwlearn.net/learning/manuals/economic-valuation/](http://www.iwlearn.net/learning/manuals/economic-valuation/) )

### **Handout for the participants**

#### **Aims/objectives of the Subsession:**

- 1 Introducing the overall activity (Sub-Component 4.1.: “Systematic consideration of the economic valuation of natural resources in the TDA/SAP process and targeted learning”) and related work done;
- 2 Getting an overview of the GEF Guidance Documents, and their background.
- 3 Introducing the concept of "ecosystem services", and the TEV and TEEB frameworks.
- 4 [Getting familiar with the concept and with Bakul Country, through a short group exercise/discussion.]

#### **Short summary of the content of the Subsession:**

This Subsession provides a general introduction of the whole activity and into the concept of ecosystem services, the TEV framework, and the TEEB categories of ecosystem services.

[It includes a short exercise, based on the fictitious country Bakul: the identification of ecosystems and ecosystem services, and determining the TEV/TEEB categories (Handout "Introduction to Bakul Country"). Bakul is a fictitious tropical country, which is used as an example for most of the exercises in the training session. ]

#### **Questions/group exercise:**

Have a look at the map of Bakul country - which ecosystems and which ecosystem services might be present in Bakul?

To which TEV and TEEB categories might these relate to?

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Session 1, Subsession 2: „EV of Ecosystem Services - Why and How?“

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### **Aims/objectives of the Subsession:**

- 1 Introducing economic valuation, the "why" and the "what".
- 2 Getting familiar with the topic, and relating it to the participant's own project backgrounds.

### **Short summary of the content of the Subsession:**

This Subsession introduces the topic "economic valuation". It explains why it is sometimes important to put a monetary value on ecosystem services, and why it is important to include EV of Ecosystem Services into decision making. "Best practice examples" are presented, also in terms of what can be achieved by such a valuation. The resource issue and the difference between "Tier 1" and "Tier 2" valuations is also addressed.

### **Discussion:**

This subsession includes a presentation and plenary discussion of individual contexts in the IW project areas/project areas present in the training (each participant, if numbers allow for it). Also, the participants will be asked about their experience with and expectations for an EV in their project areas.

## **Economic Valuation of Ecosystem Services in IW-Projects: Training Materials on the systematic integration of the economic valuation of ecosystem services into the TDA/SAP methodology**

Session 1, Subsession 3: „Integrating EV into the TDA/SAP Process“

Related reading: Introduction of the Guidance Document, chapter I.2.4, available at: [www.iwlearn.net/valuation](http://www.iwlearn.net/valuation) and [www.iwlearn.net/learning/manuals/economic-valuation/](http://www.iwlearn.net/learning/manuals/economic-valuation/) ,

as well as the TDA-SAP-revised guidance (under preparation)

Handout for the participants

### **Aims/objectives of the Subsession:**

- 1 Presenting the GEF Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA)/Strategic Action Programme (SAP) process.
- 2 Explaining the links between EV and the TDA/SAP process.
- 3 Relate to the participant's own project backgrounds.

### **Short summary of the content of the Subsession:**

This Subsession introduces the GEF TDA/SAP process, presenting the background and content of both steps/processes.

It also highlights the links and connections between economic valuation and the TDA/SAP process, and explains where EV can be best integrated into it, or best support its aims and objectives.

### **Discussion:**

It includes a discussion of the individual contexts in cases of TDA-SAP-development and the linkages to economic valuation of ecosystem services.