### Linking Science and Policy for the Sustainable Use and Conservation of Biodiversity

3 - 4 November 2020, Online

#### Workshop Agenda

Day 1: Using science to frame policy: experiences and needs of policymakers

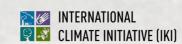
**Duration: 2 hours** 

3 November 2020 3:00 - 5:00 PM CET

Time	Session		
3.00 – 3.15	Opening Welcome Remarks by Prof. Alfred Oteng-Yeboah, University of Ghana, IPBES Bureau Member Live Polling		
3.15 - 3.30	Introductory Speech Mr. Basile van Havre, Co-Chair of the Open-ended WG for the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework		
3.30 - 4.30	Panel discussion: The role of science in the policy process as a researcher: challenges and success factors of science-policy interactions.  Moderated by YESS representatives		
	With:		
	Sir Robert Watson Former Chair, IPBES Professor Emeritus, University of East Anglia, UK	<b>Dr. Hilde Eggermont</b> Coordinator, Belgian Biodiversity Platform Belgian Focal Point, IPBES	
	<b>Dr. Claudio Chiarolla</b> Programme Management Officer, CBD Secretariat	<b>Dr. Johannes Foerster</b> Researcher, Helmholtz Center for Environment Research	
	<b>Ms. Karin Zaunberger</b> Policy Officer, European Commission	Mr. Graeme Cook Head of Research and Sustainable Scrutiny, Scottish Parliament	
4.30 - 4.50	Q&A Moderated by WABES representatives		
4.50 - 5.00	Closing remarks by the organizers		

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Day 2: Addressing the needs of policymakers: experiences and advice from researchers

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Time	Session		
3.00 – 3.15	Opening Welcome Remarks by Nina Kaiser & Giovanni Flores, YESS Executive team Live Polling		
3.15 - 3.30	Introductory Speech  Dr. Juliette Young, Centre for Ecology & Hydrology, UK		
3.30 - 4.30	Panel discussion: Contributing to the policy process as a researcher: challenges and success factors of science-policy interactions.  Moderated by WABES representatives		
	With:		
	<b>Dr. Kai Chan</b> Professor University of British Columbia, Canada	Dr. Nicole de Paula Founder, ED/1st Klaus Toepfer Fellow, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, Potsdam	
	<b>Dr. Philista Malaki</b> Senior Research Scientist, National Museum of Kenya, Kenya	<b>Dr. Denise Matias</b> Research Scientist Institute for Social-Ecological Research, Germany	
	Ms. Ingunn Storrø Head of the IPBES Technical Support Unit		
4.30 - 4.50	Q&A session Moderated by YESS representatives		
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#### **About the Organizers**



The Young Ecosystem Service Specialists (YESS) is an association of early-career researchers in the field of ecosystem services, affiliated with the Ecosystem Services Partnership (ESP). YESS has over 500 members including post-graduate students, early-career scientists and practitioners.

The primary aim of the group is to stimulate exchange of ideas, identify knowledge gaps and improve possibilities for training and capacity building in relation to ecosystem services science and practice. This network aims to achieve actual co-operation, explore ideas for innovative research and gain experience in critical thinking and science communication.



WABES is an initiative with the primary objective of facilitating networking and capacity building across West Africa to support the work programmes and, in particular, scientific assessments of the World Biodiversity Council, the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES).

As part of its networking activities, training workshops, which bring together Biodiversity & Ecosystem Services (BES) experts from universities, research institutions, government agencies, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and Indigenous and local knowledge (ILK) holders in West Africa and beyond, are conducted to serve as exchange platforms and distribution hubs for IPBES developments. WABES is funded by the International Climate Initiative (IKI) of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU).