

5<sup>th</sup> International Workshop of the UFZ Science-Policy Expert Group, in cooperation with iDiv

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# Five years of IPBES - reflecting the achievements and challenges and identifying needs for its review towards a 2<sup>nd</sup> work programme

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Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017  
iDiv, Deutscher Platz 5e, Leipzig, Germany

## Preliminary Workshop Agenda

### Modus:

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The workshop aims to bring together about 20 scholars researching on science-policy interfaces and experts involved in IPBES to

- discuss the current status of IPBES
- get an overview about recent research on the emergence, processes and institutional arrangements of IPBES
- identify potential needs for the ongoing IPBES review, and
- develop options so that scholars can further link their work on IPBES to inform the review process

The workshop will be conducted “off the record” (Chatham-House based approach) and designed to allow maximum time for conversation, discussion, exchange and engagement, therefore inputs should be as brief as possible. As main product, we seek to draft a joint policy/opinion paper for a high-level journal that reflects the identified challenges and needs in IPBES governance and can inform the IPBES review process.

### Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>

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Location - iDiv

#### *Morning*

Arrival

Opportunity for Lunch at iDiv (from 12:00)

#### *Afternoon*

**13:00-13:15**

#### **Introduction to the workshop**

Welcome: Introduction to UFZ and iDiv

Explaining the objective, expected outcomes, terms of reference and structure of the workshop (Carsten Neßhöver & Joseph Settele)

<b>13:15-14:00</b>	<b>Getting to know each other</b>
<b>14:00-14:15</b>	<b>Introducing our approach</b> UFZ/iDiv joint project - IPBES and its performance as reflexive, inter- and transdisciplinary interface for biodiversity research and policy (Carsten Neßhöver & Isabel Díaz-Reviriego)
<b>14:15-14:30</b>	<b>Introduction to IPBES' ongoing review process</b> (Thomas Koetz, IPBES Secretariat)
<b>14:30-15:00</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>15:00-16:00</b>	<b>Short inputs by participants I – practitioners' perspectives on IPBES</b> Participants who have been involved in IPBES activities: Contributions of 5-7min about their perspectives on achievements and challenges of IPBES. <i>Includes time for discussions (other practitioners may add, scholars may ask ;-)</i>
<b>16:00-17:00</b>	<b>Short inputs by participants II – scholarly perspectives on IPBES</b> Participants who have done research on IPBES. Contributions of 5-7min about their perspectives on achievements and challenges of IPBES. <i>Includes time for discussions (other scholars may add, practitioners may ask ;-)</i>
<b>17:00- 17:10</b>	<b>Early inputs from questionnaire</b> Based on the questionnaire – A structured report of the input gathered from the participants beforehand (Isabel Díaz-Reviriego).
<b>17:10-17:30</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>17:30-18:30</b>	<b>Further discussion and first definition of the issues to be discussed in-depth at breakout groups on day 2 accordingly</b>
<b>19:00</b>	<b>Get together</b>

## Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

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Location - Fraunhofer Institute (next to iDiv)

### *Morning*

**9:00-10:00**

**Wrap-up of issues and defining breakout groups and detailed agenda for the day** – identify guiding questions (main challenges in the work so far; potential options for improvements)

**10:00-10:30**

*Coffee break*

**10:30-12:30**

**Breakout groups I:** we anticipate some potential topics for these groups (up to 4), but we shall discuss jointly which the whole group prefers, so this is an indicative list only:

- ✓ Perceptions on credibility and legitimacy of IPBES
- ✓ Experts' selection process
- ✓ Participation vs. representation
- ✓ Facilitation, translation and capacity building needs
- ✓ The role of ILK in the processes
- ✓ Interactions between different working groups, task forces etc. in IPBES
- ✓ Criteria for a sound evaluation (and topics to address)

*All groups should ideally be a mixture of "practitioners" and "scholars"*

**12:30-13:30**

*Lunch*

### *Afternoon*

**13:30-15:30**

**Short Feedback from groups, afterwards...**

**Breakout groups II: Identification of cross-cutting issues**

The content of this 2<sup>nd</sup> Breakout Group session depends on the development of the first session. New issues of cross-links to be discussed may have arisen or the original groups may wish to continue their work.

**15:30-16:00**

*Coffee break*

**16:30-18:00**

**Plenary - reports from the breakout groups**

**19:00**

**Get together**

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## Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>

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Location - Fraunhofer Institute (next to iDiv)

### *Morning*

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| <b>9:00-10:30</b>  | <b>Plenary – Envisioning ways forward for IPBES: main elements of a joint opinion paper</b>  |
| <b>10:30-11:00</b> | <i>Coffee break</i>  |
| <b>11:00-12:30</b> | <b>Plenary – further outline of joint opinion piece and identification of further possibilities of cooperation, next steps</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ <i>Where are further research needs on IPBES?</i></li><li>✓ <i>Ideas for collaborations</i></li></ul> |
| <b>12:30-13:00</b> | <b>Feedback (on the workshop and its results)</b>  |

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*Joint Lunch & End of Workshop*