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Technical Expert Meeting on Ecosystem Accounts London, 5-7 December 2011 http://unstats.un.org/unsd/envaccounting/seeaLES/egm/lod.htm

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Monday, December 5th

Registration (9:00-9:30)

Session 1 (9:30-11:00) Chair: Ivo Havinga, UNSD

1. Opening of the meeting and policy applications of ecosystem accounts

- Opening by Jil Matheson, UK National Statistician, and Peter Unwin, Head of the Environment Group, UK Department for Food and Rural Affairs
- Introductory statements by Ivo Havinga, United Nations Statistics Division, Jock Martin, European Environment Agency and Glenn-Marie Lange, World Bank
- o Discussion on Policy application, moderated by Mr. Patrick ten Brink, Institute for European Environmental Policy

Session 2 (11:30 – 5:00) Chair: Ivo Havinga, UNSD

2. Structure of accounts (Issue 2)

Discussant: Carl Obst Papers for discussion:

- Towards an Integrated Structure for SEEA Ecosystem Stock and Flow Accounts (M. Vardon, M. Eigenraam, J. McDonald, R. Mount, A. Cadogan-Cowper)
- o An Experimental Framework for Simplified Ecosystem Capital Accounts (J.L. Weber)
- Linking the Ecosystem Accounting Framework with Country-specific Indicators (A. Hauser, B. Schweppe-Kraft, E. Schwaiger, M. Nagy, C. Schlatter)

3. Principles of monetary valuation (Issue 10)

Discussant: Glenn-Marie Lange

Papers for discussion:

- Monetary Valuation for Ecosystem Accounting (M. Pittini)
- Valuation of ecosystem goods and services in Victoria, Australia (M. Eigenraam, M. Vardon, J. Hasker, G. Stoneham, J. Chua)
- o Some Notes on Prospects for Including Natural Lands as Sources of Ecosystem Services in National Accounts (R.D. Simpson)
- Point of View on Policy Applications, Accounting Units and Principles of Monetary Valuation, and Québec's Experience (S. Uhde)

Tuesday, December 6th

Session 3 (9:30 – 12:30) Chair: Peter Helm, DEFRA

4. Classification of ecosystem services (Issue 8)

Discussant: Haripriya Gundimeda

Papers for discussion:

Common International Classification of Ecosystem Services (CICES): 2011 Update (R. Haines-Young and M. Potschin)

- Classification and Prioritization of Ecosystem Services (S. Maynard and S. Cork)
- Linking the Ecosystem Accounting Framework with Country-specific Indicators (A. Hauser, B. Schweppe-Kraft, E. Schwaiger, M. Nagy, C. Schlatter)

5. Prioritization of ecosystem services (Issue 9)

Discussant: Anton Steurer

Papers for discussion:

- o Prioritization of Ecosystem Services for Ecosystem Accounting (L. Hein)
- o Prioritization of Ecosystem Services for Ecosystem Accounting (R. Haines-Young)
- Linking the Ecosystem Accounting Framework with Country-specific Indicators (A. Hauser, B. Schweppe-Kraft, E. Schwaiger, M. Nagy, C. Schlatter)

Session 4 (1:30 – 5:30) Chair: Jock Martin, EEA

6. Land cover mapping, land cover classifications, and accounting units (Issue 3)

Discussant: Leo Kolttola

Papers for discussion:

- o Land Cover Mapping in Canada with Respect to Ecosystem Accounting (P. Adams, M. Bordt, G. Filoso, and G. Gagnon)
- Ecosystem Statistical and Accounting Units, Land Cover, Remote Sensing and Adjustments (R. Mount, B. Allison, P. Tickle, V. Bordas)
- o Definition and Classification of the Socio-Ecological Landscape Unit (J.L. Weber)
- o Accounting Units for Ecosystem Accounts (A. Alfieri, D. Clarke, I. Havinga)
- o Land Cover Classification for Ecosystem Accounting (A. di Gregorio, G. Jaffrain, J.L. Weber)
- Point of View on Policy Applications, Accounting Units and Principles of Monetary Valuation, and Québec's Experience (S. Uhde)

7. Carbon accounts (Issue 4) and nitrogren, phosphorus, and accounting for soil

Discussant: Roy Haines-Young

Papers for discussion:

- Carbon Stock Accounts (J. Ajani)
- o Accounting for Carbon in the National Accounting Framework: A Note on Methodology (H. Gundimeda)
- Constructing the NPP and Biomass Accounts and Ecosystem Carbon Balance Index: A Methodological Note (E. Ivanov, R. Haines-Young, J.L. Weber)
- o Greenhouse Gas Reporting in Carbon Accounting of SEEA Ecosystem Accounts (J. Muukkonen)
- o Provision of Ecosystem Services by Soil Resources (R. Vargas Rojas)

Wednesday, December 7th

Session 5 (9:30 – 12:30): Chair: Paul Allin, ONS

8. Ecosystem Health/Total ecological potential (Issue 7)

Discussant: Per Arild Garnåsjordet

Papers for discussion:

o Accounting for the Condition of Environmental Assets (P. Cosier)

9. Landscape accounts and landscape ecological potential (Issue 5)

Discussant: Lars Hein

Papers for discussion:

- o Issue paper on Landscape accounts and landscape ecological potential (J.L. Weber)
- o Net landscape ecological potential of Europe and change: 1990-2000 (EEA)

Session 6 (1:30 - 5:00) Co-chairs: Ivo Havinga, UNSD and Jock Martin, EEA

10. Biodiversity accounts and indexes (Issue 6)

Discussant: Rocky Harris

Papers for discussion:

- o Key Concepts for Accounting for Biodiversity (J. McDonald)
- Issue Paper on Biodiversity Accounts and Indexes (P.A. Garnåsjordet)
- Developing a Diagnostic Species and Biotope Index for Europe (E. Ivanov, R. Haines-Young, J.L. Weber)

11. Concluding remarks and closing of the meeting