



BES-Net Trialogue on Pollinators, Food Security and Rural Development

Sarajevo, 18th – 20th October 2017

Agenda

Through BES-Net, UNDP contributes to the capacity building work of the Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES). BES-Net facilitates and promotes dialogue between the three communities of science, policy and practice on the themes of the IPBES global assessments. The first BES-Net Trialogue on Pollinators, Food Security and Rural Development will take place in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, between 18-20 October 2017, hosted by the Bosnia and Herzegovina Federal Ministry of Environment and Tourism as the IPBES Focal Point, with support from the Open Regional Fund for South-East Europe – Biodiversity (ORF-BD) which is financed by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH.

The IPBES global assessment highlights the decline of pollinators and pollination services worldwide. Participants of the Trialogue will jointly assess the current situation in the Eastern European region, including economic impact, and drivers of pollinators' decline in the region, how this affects biodiversity as well as the services that pollinators provide for agriculture, the agri-business, and food security, and the important co-benefits of sustainably managing pollinators and their habitat for ecosystem-based adaptation purposes.

Objectives of the Trialogue are to:

1. Raise awareness of the findings of the IPBES global assessment on pollinators and food production;
2. Create a shared space for the joint assessment of regionally-relevant knowledge on pollinators, food security and rural development, and the co-creation of locally appropriate policy options; and
3. Build a common agenda for action.

Day 1: Wednesday 18th October	
Time	Activity
08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 09:40	OPENING SESSION
09:40 – 10:00	INTRODUCTORY SESSION: Objectives of the Trialogue
10:00 – 11:15	THEMATIC SESSION I: Values of Pollination and Pollinators - An interactive celebration of the multiple values of pollinators
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break with berry theme
11:30 – 12:30	THEMATIC SESSION II: Keynote Speech. "Is there a Problem and how can we tell? Status and Trends for Pollinators, Pollination and Food Security". A keynote address by IPBES global expert and regional experts on the reasons for global concern, the results of IPBES assessment at global and regional level, and implications for food production, rural development and regional crop economies.
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 19:00	SITE VISIT: Visit a selection of sites near Sarajevo, and discuss with local practitioners the issues around managed and wild pollinators near to Sarajevo
19:00 –	Dinner



Day 2: Thursday 19th October	
Time	Activity
09:00 – 09:15	Review of Day One
09:15 – 11:15	THEMATIC SESSION III: Panel 1 “Regional and National Drivers of Change to Pollinators and Pollination Services”. A Panel made up of policymakers and scientists from the region who will present and debate the drivers of change at national level, find commonalities in the threats facing bee populations at the regional level, and highlight any differences between country situations in Eastern Europe.
11:15 – 11:45	Coffee Break with honey theme
11:45 – 13:30	THEMATIC SESSION IV: Innovation Trade Fair - Innovative Ideas to address the problems and harness the opportunities available
13:30 – 15:00	Lunch
15:00 – 18:00	THEMATIC SESSION V: Policy and Management Options to address risks and opportunities - A working group session to identify locally-appropriate policy options
19:00 –	Dinner

Day 3: Friday 20th October	
Time	Activity
08:30 – 09:45	THEMATIC SESSION IV AND V: In parallel to the High Level Breakfast, participants finalise the displays of their work showing the innovative ideas and actions for policy and management, in readiness to share with high-level invitees and the Press.
08:30 – 09:45	HIGH LEVEL BREAKFAST: Key messages from the IPBES global assessment and from the Trialogue sessions are discussed by high-level government authorities, donors and partners
09:45 – 10:15	Press Conference
10:15 – 10:45	Show and Tell
10:45 – 13:00	THEMATIC SESSION V: Panel 2 “How to Move Forward and Keep the Momentum Going”. A Panel made up of national and international resource organizations will provide comments and identify ways in which the ideas and actions from the Trialogue can be supported by ongoing initiatives at national and regional level
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 16:00	THEMATIC SESSION V: A working group session to identify locally-appropriate policy options to be included in the Trialogue Outcome Document
16:00 – 16:15	Moment of Reflection and Evaluation
16:15 – 16:45	CLOSING SESSION