



INVITATION TO INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

Linking Indigenous, local and scientific knowledges and practices in Thailand to global policymaking through the IPBES¹ Assessment on Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production²

Date: Friday 25th January 2019

Time: 9 am – 5 pm

Venue: UNISERV, Chiang Mai University, Thailand

We welcome invitees to this seminar which will introduce the Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), and in particular the outcomes of the IPBES Assessment Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production. IPBES recognizes the value of diverse knowledge systems in its assessments, and this seminar will specifically focus on how experiences in working across knowledge systems contributed to the outcome of the Pollinator Assessment. In particular, we look forward to reflecting on how Indigenous, local and scientific knowledge systems can best collaborate based on equity, reciprocity, and usefulness for all involved.

The seminar will create opportunities to analyse and discuss the outcomes and key messages from the [Summary for Policy Makers](#) of the IPBES pollination assessment, together with academics, government representatives, Indigenous peoples and their organizations, farmers organizations, business representatives and media in Thailand, and also international scientist and holders of indigenous and local knowledges regarding pollination and pollinators.

Further, outcomes will be presented from a dialogue seminar that takes place over four days prior to the seminar in the Karen community of Hin Lad Nai, Chiang Rai. In this dialogue, international experts from indigenous, local and scientific knowledge systems have engaged with indigenous experts from the Karen community regarding pollinators and food systems.

The [IPBES Assessment on Pollination, Pollinators and Food Production](#) was the first IPBES thematic assessment, and viewed as a pilot of the procedures for working with Indigenous and local knowledge in assessments. It made important steps in advancing collaboration across knowledge systems, and contributed to IPBES' role in progressing the frontiers of sustainability science.

Lunch will be served in the seminar venue.

Please confirm your participation via email to Dr. Malee Sittikriangkrai (maleetow2@hotmail.com), Centre for Ethnic Study and Development (CESD), Social Science, Chiang Mai University, Chiang Mai, Thailand. In the email indicate your full name, position and organization. Please confirm your participation at the latest 18 January 2019

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¹ The Intergovernmental Panel on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) is the intergovernmental body which assesses the state of biodiversity and of the ecosystem services it provides to society, in response to requests from decision makers. IPBES was founded in 2012 and has December 2018 131 states as members, among them Thailand. See: <https://www.ipbes.net>

² See: <https://www.ipbes.net/assessment-reports/pollinators>



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PRELIMINAR AGENDA

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Open Seminar Day

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Facilitators: Dr. Chamnien Vorrantnchaiphan, IUCN, Thailand and Dr. Maria Tengö, Stockholm Resilience Centre, Stockholm University, Sweden.

Time	Activity	Presenter
9.00-9.30	<i>Opening session</i> Welcome Keynote Speech Introduction to the seminar	Vice President of Chiang Mai University, Chiang Mai Permanent Secretariat Ministry of Environment (tbc) Facilitators
9.30 – 10.00	<i>Introductions:</i> <i>The Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)</i> <i>The IPBES Assessment on Pollinators</i> <i>The Dialogue across scientific, Indigenous and local knowledge systems on pollinators and pollination in IPBES</i> Questions from the Audience	Dr. Josef Settele, Helmholtz-Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ, Germany Dr. Lynn Dicks, University of East Anglia, UK Dr. Ro Hill, CSIRO, Australia Facilitators
10.00 – 11.00	Reporting back from Hin Lad Nai walking workshop on Indigenous and local knowledges in IPBES assessments, 21 – 24 January <i>Introduction to the background of the walking workshop and the project of “Specific Cultural Zones”</i> <i>The community of Hin Lad Nai experience from the dialogue across Indigenous, local and scientific knowledge systems reflecting on IPBES Assessment on Pollinators</i> <i>Experiences from the dialogue in Hin Lad Nai, related to methods for cross-fertilization across knowledge systems,</i>	Dr. Prasert Trakansuphakon, PASD, Thailand Chief Chaiprasert Phoka, Hin Lad Nai Community, Chiang Rai, Thailand Pernilla Malmer, SwedBio at Stockholm Resilience Centre, Sweden



	<p><i>based on equity, reciprocity and usefulness for all involved, in IPBES and elsewhere</i></p> <p><i>Reflections</i></p> <p>Questions from the Audience</p>	<p>Dr. Nigel Crawhall, UNESCO, Paris</p> <p>Facilitators</p>
11.00-11.30	Break	
11.30-12.30	<p>Panel on rotational farming and linkages to pollination, national policy and IPBES:</p> <p>Presentation on rotational farming, cultural heritage, and links to pollination, and national policy and decision making (10-15 min)</p> <p>Reflections: links, similarities and differences for learning and sharing between national, regional and international levels. Input from participants in the Hin Lad Nai dialogue</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Moderator: Dr. Chayan Vaddhanaphuti, CESD, Social Science, Chiang Mai University, Thailand</p> <p>Dr. Somsak Sukhawong, RECOFTC, Kasetsak University, Bangkok, Thailand</p> <p>Dr. Malcom Cairns. Editor, Shifting cultivation Policy, Dr. Abram Bicksler, Pollinators Focal Point, FAO, Mr. Edgar Pérez, Fundación Junej T'inam; Guatemala</p> <p>Ms. Brenda Tahi, Tuhoe Tuawhenua Trust, New Zealand</p> <p>Ms. Ei Ei Min, POINT, Myanmar</p> <p>Facilitators</p>
12.30 – 1 pm	Open discussion and questions and answers from the morning session.	Panel of the presenters from the morning Led by facilitators
1 – 2 pm	Lunch	
2-2.45 pm	Panel: Perspectives on how biocultural diversity and meetings across indigenous, local and scientific knowledge systems can create synergies for sustainable development.	<p>Dr. Martijn Thijssen, Coalition of the Willing on Pollinators, Netherlands</p> <p>Dr. Phanuwan Janthawankul, Chiang Mai, University, Thailand, Scientist Bee Expert.</p> <p>Dr. Louis Lebel, Chiang Mai, Thailand</p>
2.45-3.30 pm	Discussion with the audience on uptake of the Key messages of the IPBES Pollinator Assessment, and its use for policymaking, related to ILK as well as pollinators, pollination and food security, nationally and locally.	Led by Facilitators
3.30 - 4 pm	Break	
4 – 5 pm	<p>Concluding reflections on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The links between pollination and rotational farming. -Synergies from using diversity of knowledges, including the contributions of Indigenous peoples. -How policy and decision making can enable knowledge collaborations of science- policy- and practice in synergy <p>Meeting closure</p>	<p>Scientists perspective: Dr. Josef Settele, Ro Hill</p> <p>Policy makers perspective: Thailand representative Tbc</p> <p>Indigenous Perspective: Joji Carino, Centre of Distinction ILK,</p> <p>Indigenous Thai perspective: Dr.Prasert Trakansuphakon, PASD/IMPECT</p> <p>UN perspective: Dr. Nigel Crawhall, UNESCO</p>