

IPBES

Full name:

Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services

Date of foundation:

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Number of member states:

137

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Funding:

IPBES receives donations from governments, governmental organizations, and private actors ([IPBES. Donors](#)).

Organization:

IPBES is chaired by a plenary body that meets once a year. In addition, there are several bodies: independent observers, a bureau (which chairs the IPBES), five experts from all UN world regions (who oversee the technical and scientific work), stakeholders (who have to deal with the results of the IPBES work), scientists (who, for example, prepare the IPBES reports), and a secretariat (which provides technical support) ([IPBES. About](#)).

Actions and strategies:

Basically, the IPBES performs four tasks. It produces reports on various factual topics or methodological issues - both on a global scale and on a regional scale (e.g. on the topic of "pollination"). It also assists policy makers in implementing specific measures. Furthermore, it identifies which further knowledge needs to be gained or where capacities for gaining knowledge need to be created. Finally, it publicizes the results of its own work in order to achieve the broadest possible impact ([IPBES. About](#)).

Task:

Develop a profile of the IPBES. To do this, fill out this outline. Try to take notes in German and in English.

You can find necessary materials here:



[IPBES. About](#)



[Diaz et al. 2019](#)

Some results of the IPBES reports:

A global assessment by IPBES showed that ecosystems around the world are undergoing massive changes. These drastic changes are therefore accompanied by an accelerated extinction of species. According to IPBES, important causes are anthropogenic climate change, human land and sea use, direct exploitation of organisms, invasive species, and environmental pollution ([Diaz et al. 2019: 10ff.](#)). Another IPBES report dealt with the topic "Pollination and food production". This research showed that more than \$577 billion worth of world food production depends directly on pollinators ([IPBES. About](#)).

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