

## PROJECT INFORMATION

### Strengthening the World Biodiversity Council IPBES by capacity building in the EECCA region

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An IPBES-Assessment on Land Degradation and Restoration was published in 2018.

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#### Background

The Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) provides assessments on the global status of biodiversity and presents options for its conservation and sustainable use. In order to achieve this and to make IPBES policy relevant, active participation of governments, science and civil society is essential. The project region requires capacity building regarding IPBES functioning, processes and options for participation. There were questions on review processes, plenary meetings, establishment of biodiversity platforms and on the application of IPBES findings for national policies.

#### Project details

The project strengthened the uptake of IPBES findings into decisions in environmental and conservation policy in the partner countries. Project activities led to an increase of recognition of IPBES and created a sound basis for well-informed participation of national and regional stakeholders in IPBES processes. In national and regional workshops in the EECCA region, the project developed capacity building materials in English and Russian, trained trainers and National Focal Points, and helped preparing participants for IPBES plenary meetings.

Project participants included relevant ministries, science and other stakeholders. The project partners are now in a good position to participate in IPBES-processes in a competent manner and to make use of IPBES findings. Thus, the project strengthened administrations' and civil society organisations' capacities and fostered international cooperation for the conservation of biodiversity.

**Project region:** South-Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia

**Duration:** 12/2021 – 06/2024

**Beneficiaries:** Governments, scientific institutions, civil society organisations

**Implementing organisation:** Institute for Biodiversity - Network (ibn)

**Project number:** 168274

**Meetings in:** ARM, BGR, GEO, KAZ, KGZ, MKD

**Further partners:** ALB, AZE, BIH, MDA, MNE, ROU, SRB, TJK, UZB

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