

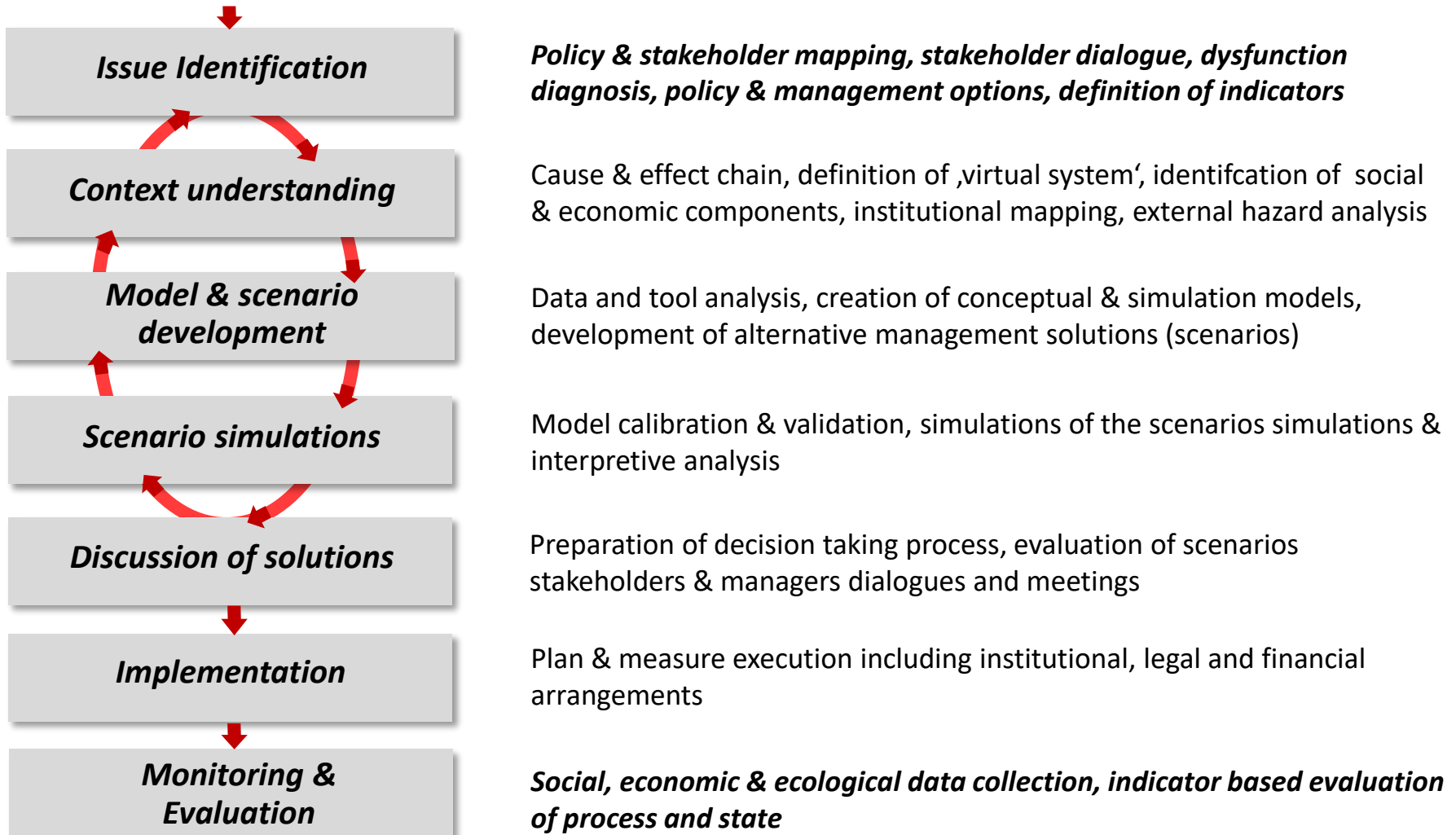
Ecosystem Services - Background

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**A Systems Approach Framework
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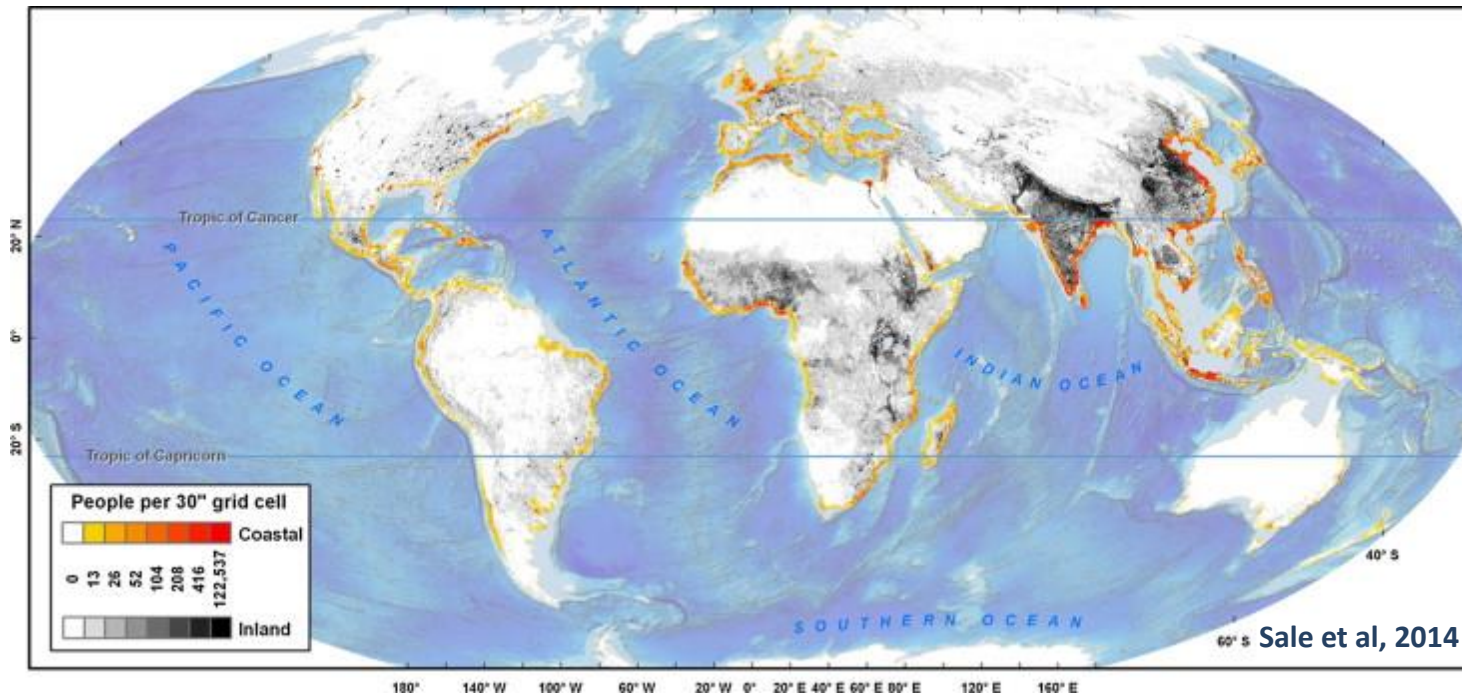
Ecological-Social-Economic-Assessment





Ecosystem Services - Context

Coastal areas in a global anthropogenic perspective



Coastal zones occupy around **20% of the earth's surface**

Host more than **45% of the global population**

75% of the world's **largest urban agglomerations**



Ecosystem Services - Context

Why are coastal zones so important?





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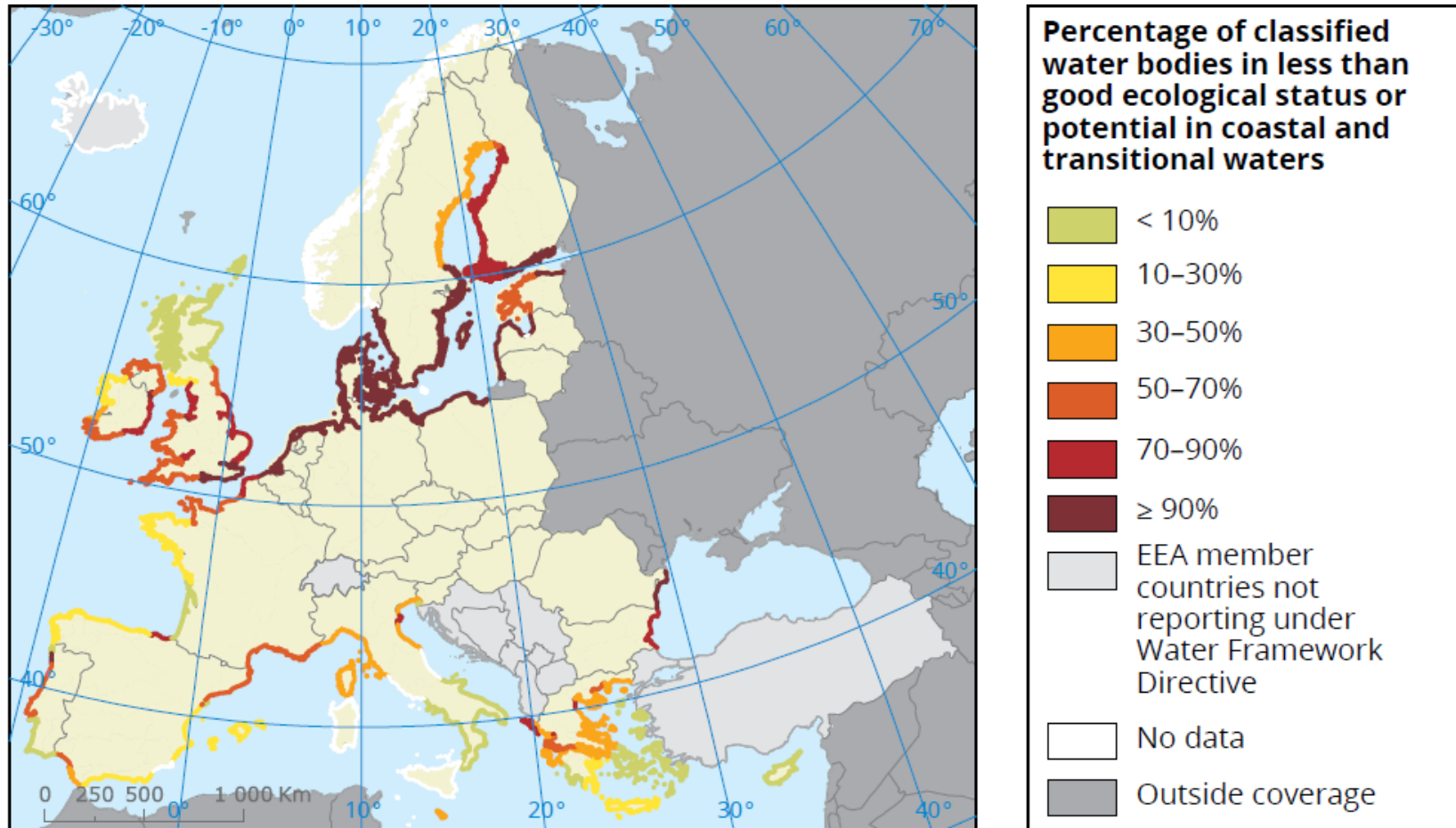
What conflicts does it generate?





Ecosystem Services - Context

What are the consequences?





Ecosystem Services - Concept

What are the benefits for humans?

Ecosystem Goods and Services



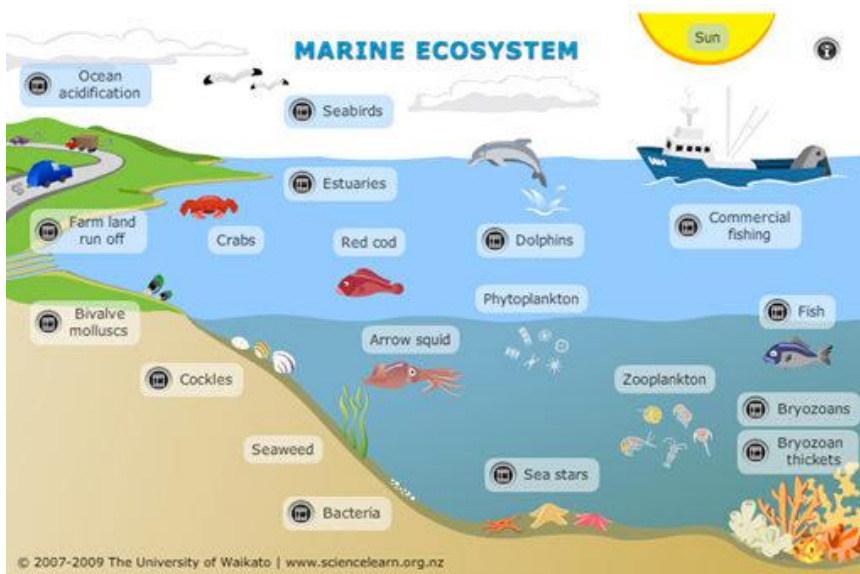


Ecosystem Services - Concept

Ecosystem Service

Ecosystem

Service





Ecosystem Services - Concept

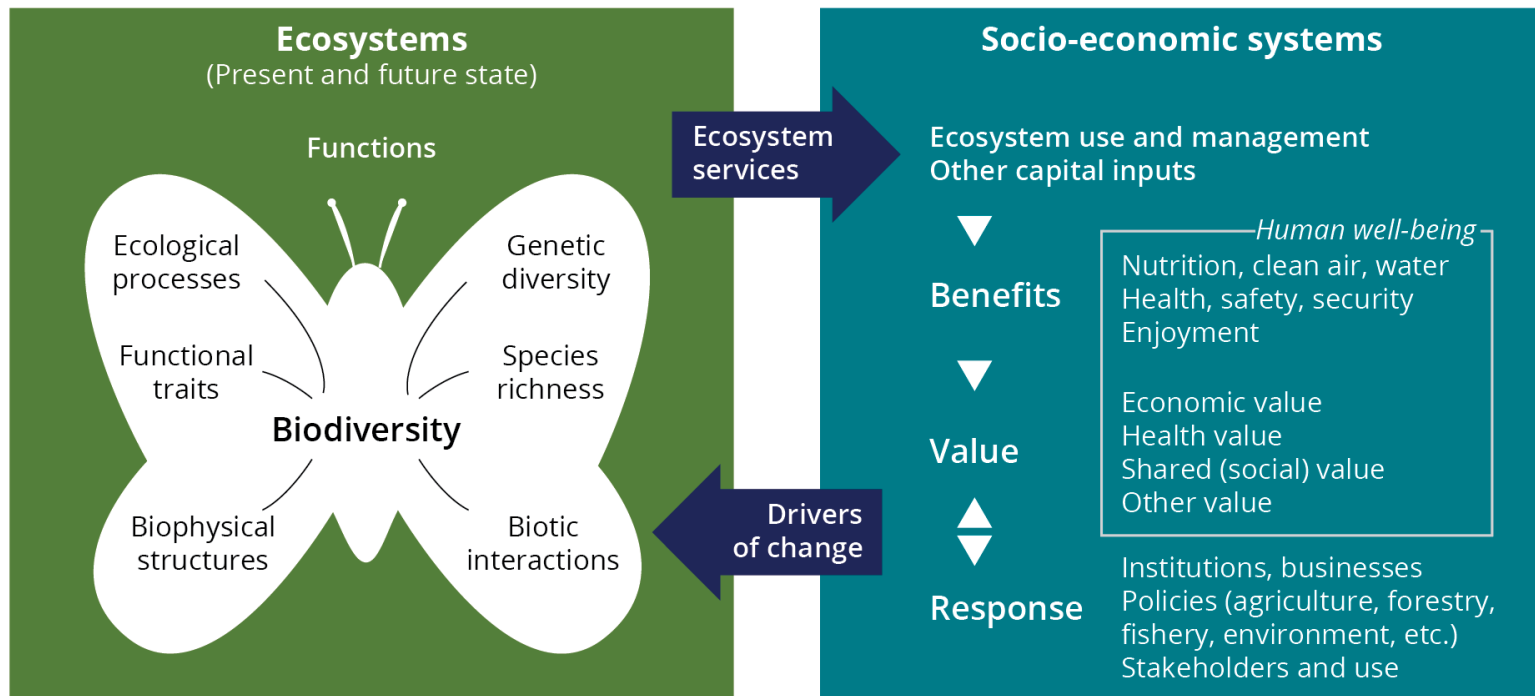
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Ecosystem Services - Concept

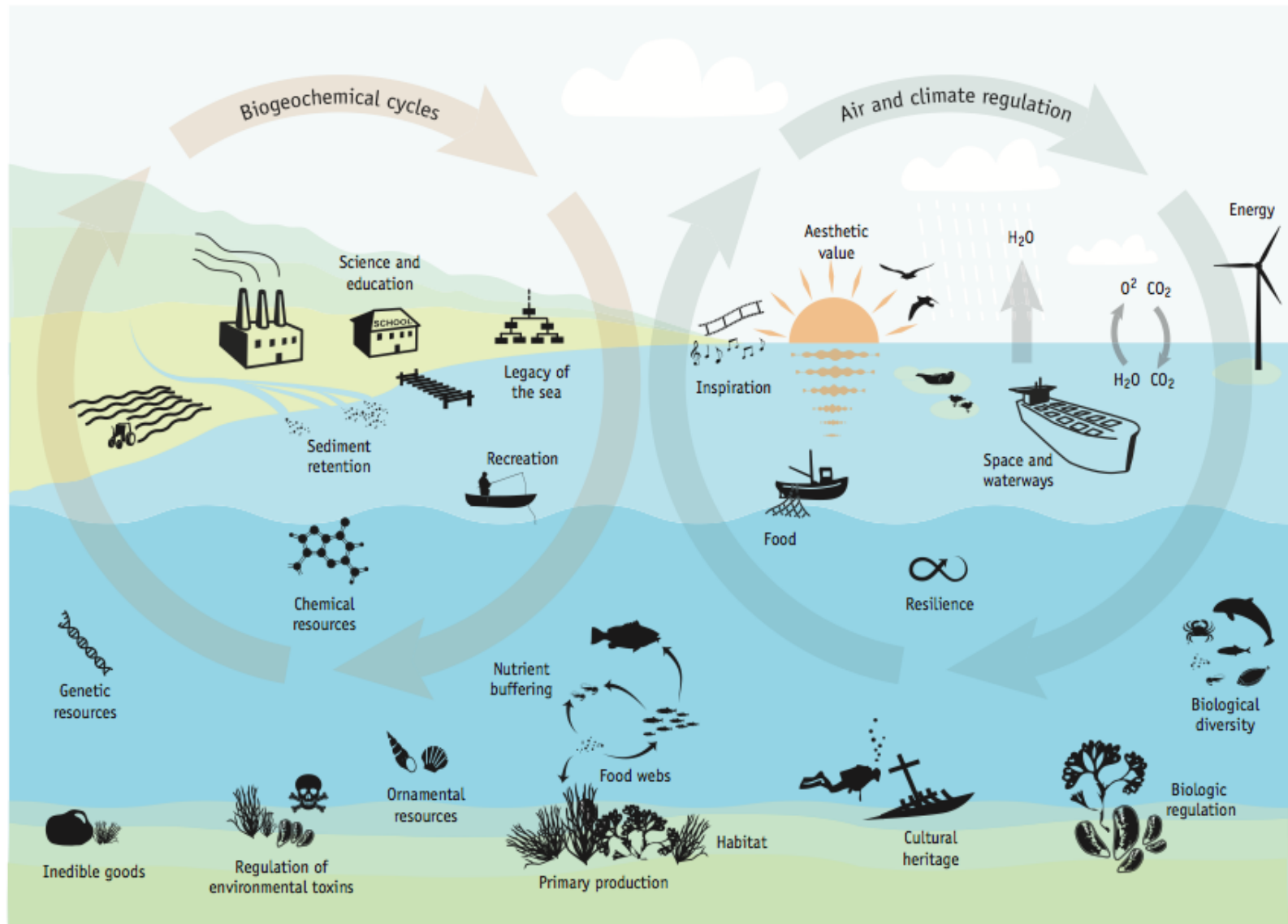
Ecosystem services:

“benefits that people take from the ecosystem” (MEA, 2005)





Ecosystem Services - Concept





Ecosystem Services - Definition

Different definitions of ES but all most similar:

- “Ecosystem services are the outputs of ecosystem from which people derive benefits” (*National Ecosystem Services assessment, 2011 and Millennium Ecosystem Services Assessment, 2005*)
- “the aspects of ecosystems utilized (actively or passively) to produce human well-being” (*Fisher et al. 2009*)
- “The direct and indirect contributions of ecosystems to human well-being. The concept of ecosystem goods and services is synonymous with ecosystem services (*The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity: TEEB, 2010*)
- Ecosystem services are made up of tangible goods (e.g. food and raw materials) and intangible services (e.g. the regulation of our climate and the remediation of waste). (*Hattam et al 2016*)



Ecosystem Services - Definition

Ecosystem services:

“contributions of ecosystem structure and function – in combination with other inputs – to human well-being”
(Burkhard et al., 2012)



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Ecosystem Services - Definition

According to Nahlik (2012) the concept of ES should be:

1. **definition and classification of ecosystem services classes** including those issues such as **double-counting** are added;
2. **trans-disciplinary** – providing for the integration of collaboration **between disciplines**, including them in the development of the framework and ensuring that the **terminology used is appropriate for all**;
3. **community engagement** – dialog with local stakeholders and scientist;
4. **resilient** – adaptable and responsive to changing conditions, experience and improved knowledge, to **ensure that they are operational over the long-term**;
5. **cohesive and coherent** – conceptually sound and organized logically, realistically and its use demonstrated
6. **policy-relevant** – the framework should include **policy objectives as a major component of the framework**



Ecosystem Services - Concept

Ecosystem services:

“benefits that people obtain from the ecosystem” (MA, 2005)

Environmental

Social

Economic

4 Categories
3 Categories



Regulating services



Provisioning services

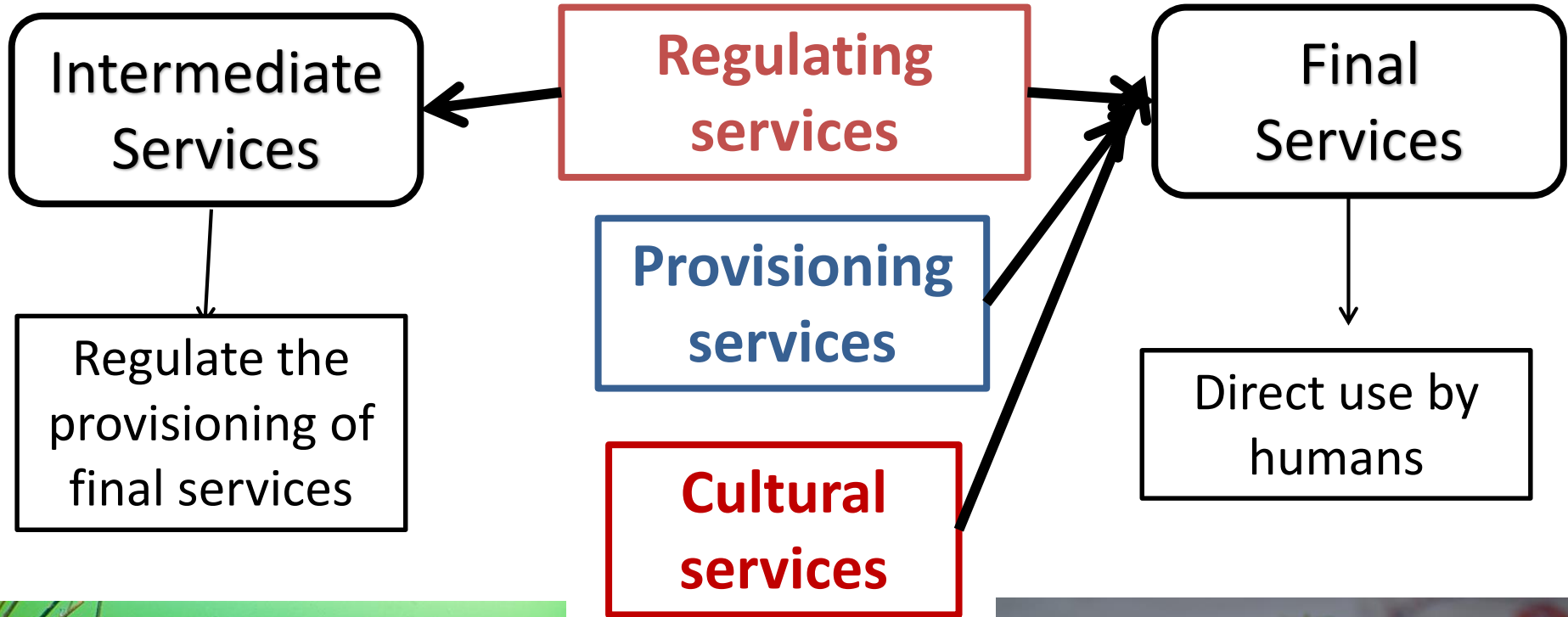


Cultural services





Ecosystem Services - Concept





Ecosystem Services - Classification

The classification of ES has been constantly updated and evolved from the Millennium Assessment to TEEB and now the updated and accepted is CICES classification;

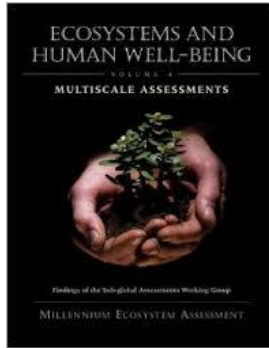


MA categories	TEEB categories	CICES v4.3 group*
Food (fodder)	Food	Biomass [Nutrition] Biomass (Materials from plants, algae and animals for agricultural use)
Fresh water	Water	Water (for drinking purposes) [Nutrition] Water (for non-drinking purposes) [Materials]
Fibre, timber	Raw Materials	Biomass (fibres and other materials from plants, algae and animals for direct use and processing)
Genetic resources	Genetic resources	Biomass (genetic materials from all biota)
Biochemicals	Medicinal resources	Biomass (fibres and other materials from plants, algae and animals for direct use and processing)
Ornamental resources	Ornamental resources	Biomass (fibres and other materials from plants, algae and animals for direct use and processing) Biomass based energy sources Mechanical energy (animal based)
Air quality regulation	Air quality regulation	[Mediation of] gaseous/air flows
Water purification and water treatment	Waste treatment (water purification)	Mediation [of waste, toxics and other nuisances] by biota Mediation [of waste, toxics and other nuisances] by ecosystems
Water regulation	Regulation of water flows Moderation of extreme events	[Mediation of] liquid flows
Erosion regulation	Erosion prevention	[Mediation of] mass flows
Climate regulation	Climate regulation	Atmospheric composition and climate regulation
Soil formation (supporting service)	Maintenance of soil fertility	Soil formation and composition
Pollination	Pollination	Lifecycle maintenance, habitat and gene pool protection
Pest regulation	Biological control	Pest and disease control
Disease regulation		
Primary production Nutrient cycling (supporting services)	Maintenance of life cycles of migratory species (incl. nursery service) Maintenance of genetic diversity (especially in gene pool protection)	Lifecycle maintenance, habitat and gene pool protection Soil formation and composition [Maintenance of] water conditions Lifecycle maintenance, habitat and gene pool protection
Spiritual and religious values	Spiritual experience	Spiritual and/or emblematic
Aesthetic values	Aesthetic information	Intellectual and representational interactions
Cultural diversity	Inspiration for culture, art and design	Intellectual and representational interactions Spiritual and/or emblematic
Recreation and ecotourism	Recreation and tourism	Physical and experiential interactions
Knowledge systems and educational values	Information for cognitive development	Intellectual and representational interactions Other cultural outputs (existence, bequest)



Ecosystem Services - Classification

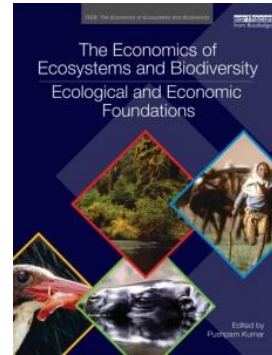
MEA



4 Categories
21 Sections

Classification
accepted and used
in global sub
global
assessments

TEEB



4 Categories
22 Sections

Updated
classification based
on MA, used in
ongoing national
TEEB studies across
Europe

CICES

3 Categories
30 Sections

Build on MA and
TEEB, hierarchical
system tailored to
accounting



Ecosystem Services - Classification

Common International Classification for Ecosystem Services (CICES)

- Build on the need of standardization for the development of accounting methods and at the same time with the objective of allowing comparisons
- CICES has been evolving following the idea that besides the standardization this classification should work on mapping and valuing ES and ecosystem
- CICES does this in a more hierarchical and systematic approach of assessing ES.
- This classification is the “officially” accepted by EU, mainly connected with “Mapping and assessment of ecosystems and their services”, which forms part of EU Biodiversity 2020 Strategy



Ecosystem Services - Classification

CICES Classification divides the Ecosystem in 3 major categories (sections):

- Provisioning
- Regulation & Maintenance
- Cultural

This classification is further divided into:

- Division
- Group
- Class
- Class type



Ecosystem Services - Definition

Provisioning services:

- All material and biota-dependent energy outputs from ecosystems
- Tangible things that can be directly exchanged or traded

3 Major divisions:

- Nutrition – all ecosystem outputs use directly or indirectly as food
- Material (biotic) – used directly or employed in the manufacture of goods
- Energy (biomass) – biotic renewable energy sources and mechanical energy provided by animals



Ecosystem Services - Definition

Regulating and maintenance services:

- All ways in which ecosystems control or modify biotic or abiotic parameters that define the environment of people
- These services are not consumed directly but affect the performance of individuals communities and populations and their activities

3 Major divisions:

- Mediation of waste, toxics and other nuisances – the services biota ecosystems provide to detoxify or simply dilute substances mainly as result of human action
- Mediation of flows – services such as regulation and maintenance of land and snow masses, flood and storm protection
- Maintenance of physical, chemical, biological conditions – ecosystem provide for sustainable living conditions (climate regulation, soil formation, nursery functions) supporting the provisioning services



Ecosystem Services - Definition

Cultural Services:

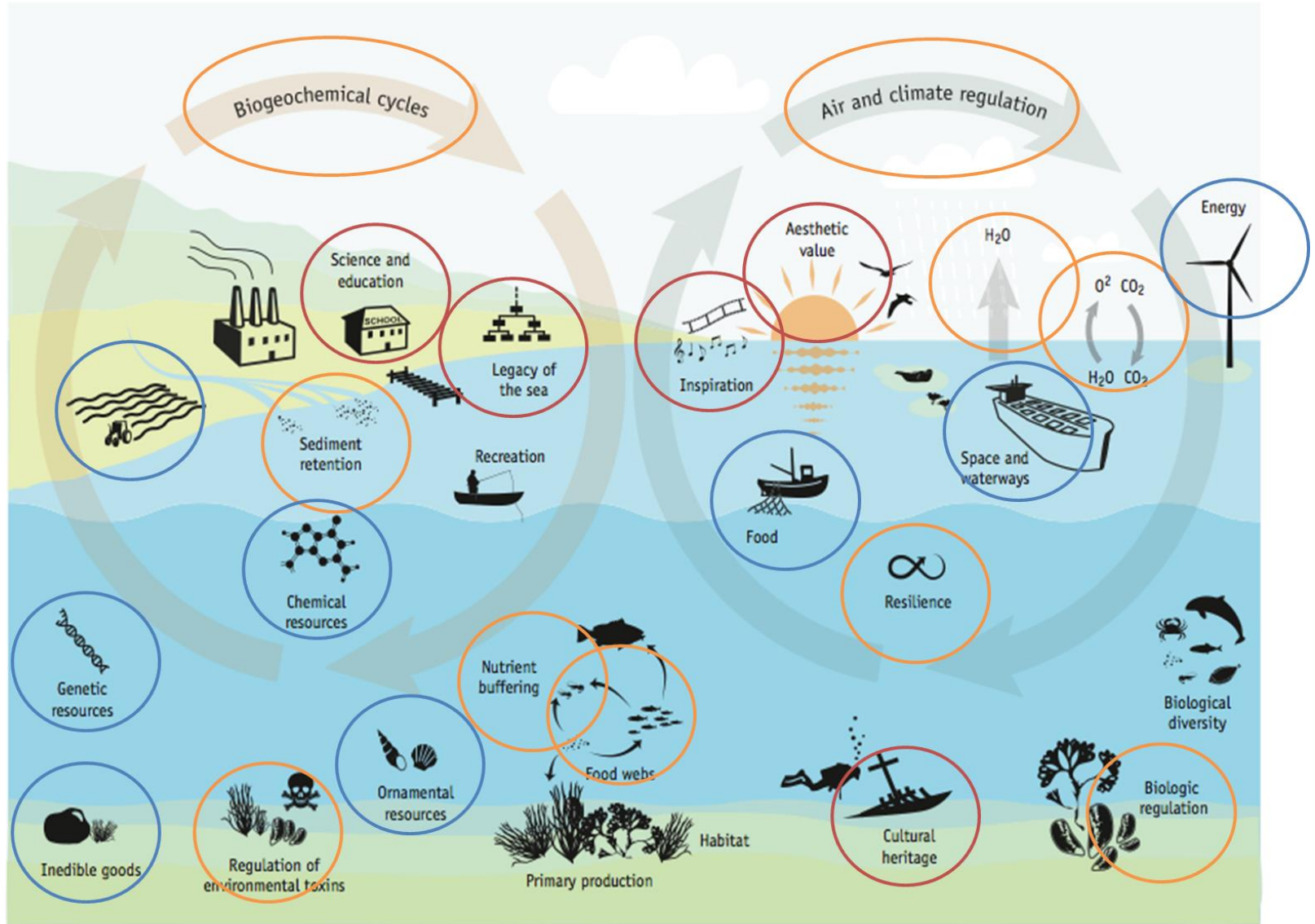
- All non-material ecosystem outputs that have symbolic, cultural or intellectual significance

2 Major divisions:

- Physical and intellectual interactions with biota, ecosystems and land-/-seascapes
- Spiritual, symbolic and other interactions with biota, ecosystems and land-/-seascapes



Ecosystem Services - Concept





Ecosystem Services - Indicators

The best way of assessing ES is through the use of **Indicators**, but since the concept was in general focus on terrestrial assessments there are **few indicator lists available for the marine environment!**

...but, some efforts have been done and the **EU Project MAES**, developed an indicator set for application of ES concept in marine realm!

Indicators for ecosystem services delivered by marine ecosystems

Division	Group	Class	Marine inlets and transitional waters	Coastal waters	Shelf waters	Open Ocean
Nutrition	Biomass	Cultivated crops				
		Reared animals and their outputs				
		Wild plants, algae and their outputs	● Harvest (ton/a)			
		Wild animals and their outputs	● Landings (ton)		● Landings (ton) ● CPUE (ton)	
		Plants and algae from in-situ aquaculture	● Harvest (ton/a)			
		Animals from in-situ aquaculture	● Harvest (ton/a)			
	Water	Surface water for drinking				
		Ground water for drinking				

Mapping and Assessment of Ecosystems and their Services

Indicators for ecosystem assessments under Action 5 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2020



Marine ecosystem services: Linking indicators to their classification

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The UK National Ecosystem Assessment

Synthesis of the Key Findings





Ecosystem Services - Methodology

There are different approaches and methodologies for ES assessment, although there is no standard one to follow!

different kinds of approaches

Qualitative



Semi-Quantitative



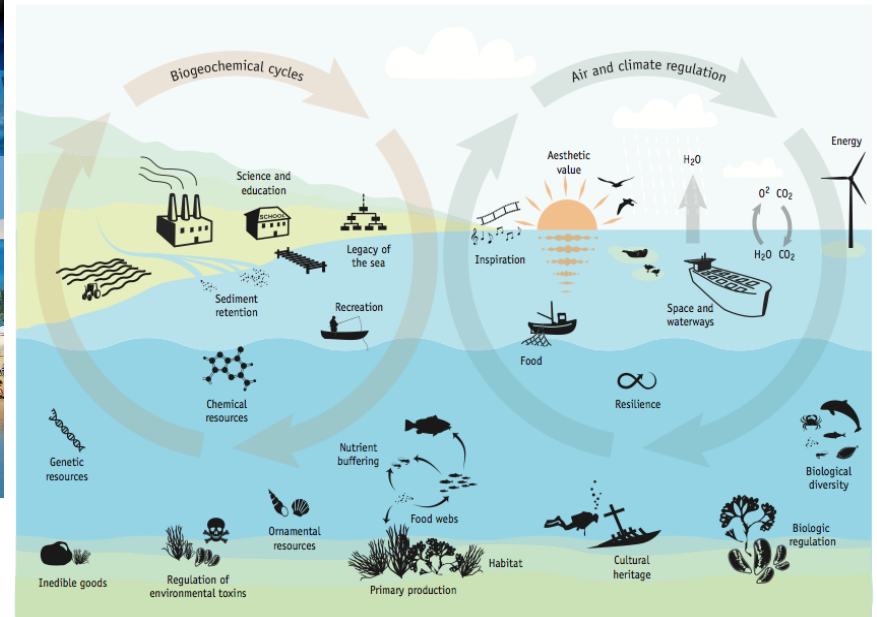
Quantitative



Which approach to take depends on the scope of the assessment

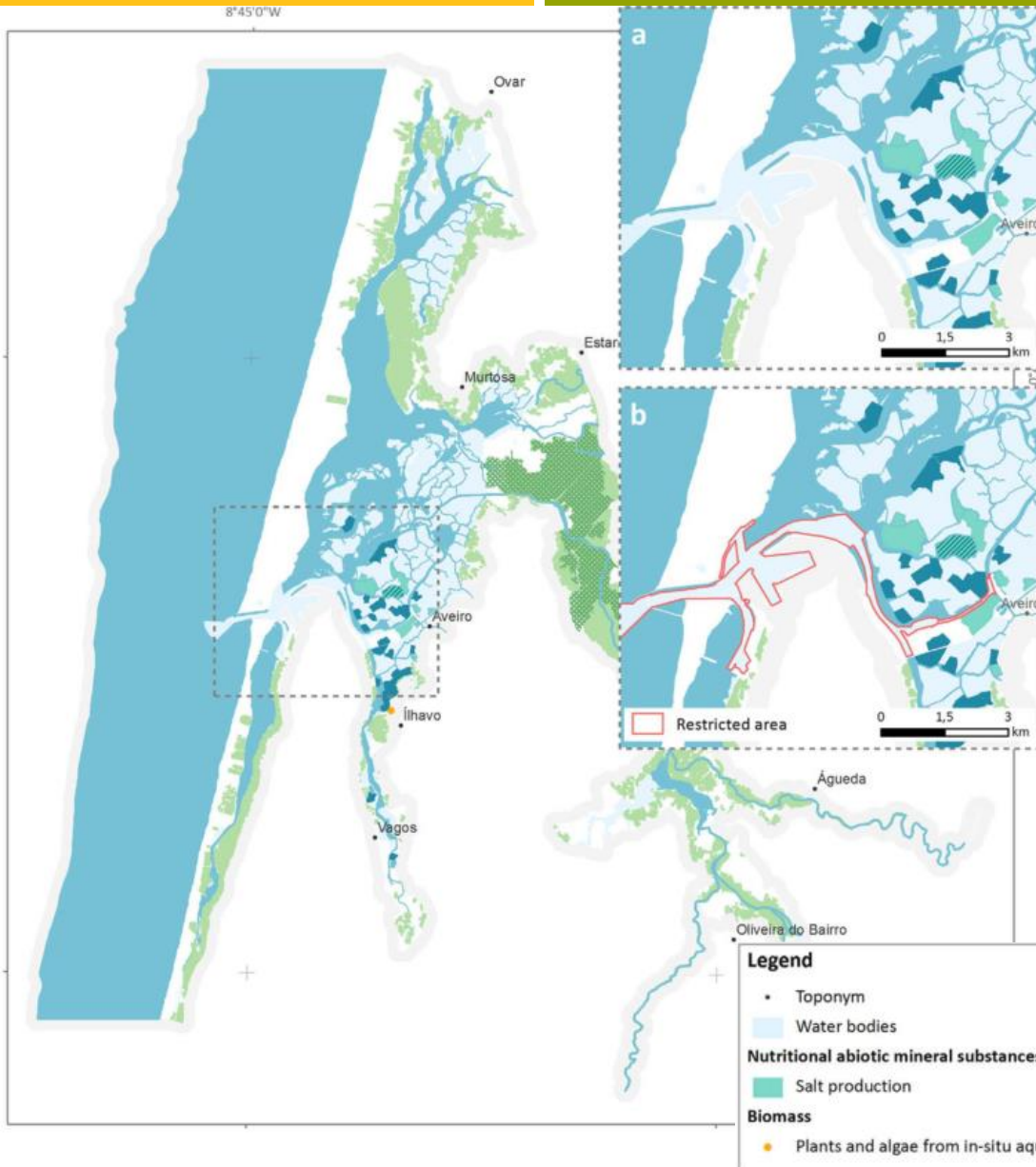


The different ways to assess ecosystem services can then furthermore be divided into the number of ES to be assessed!





Ecosystem Services - Methodology



Ecosystem services provided by a complex coastal region: challenges of classification and mapping

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NUTRITION





The “Matrix” Approach!



Developed by
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& colleagues from Kiel
University

Many applications not
only in Europe
but also already applied in
Indonesia!



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The “Matrix” Approach!

Land Cover Types (LCT)

“Budget” of ES

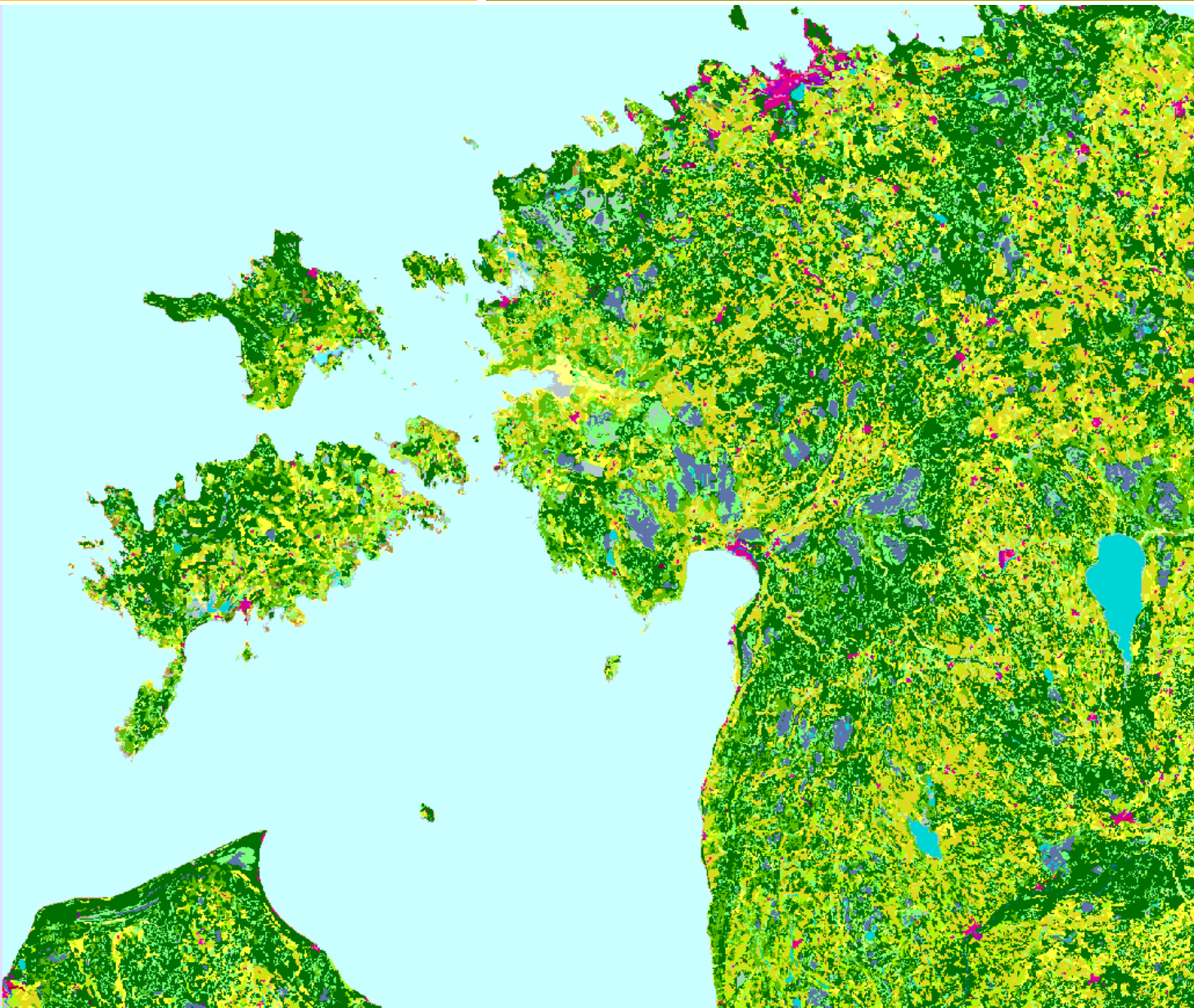
Supply of ES

Based on Expert judgment

Demand of ES by LCT

Semi-Quantitative method

**but how does this
Matrix look like??**



- Continuous urban fabric
- Discontinuous urban fabric
- Industrial or commercial units
- Road and rail networks and associated land
- Port areas
- Airports
- Mineral extraction sites
- Dump sites
- Construction sites
- Green urban areas
- port and leisure facilities
- Non-irrigated arable land
- Fruit trees and berry plantations
- Pastures
- Annual crops associated with permanent crops
- Complex cultivation patterns
- Land principally occupied by agriculture
- Broad-leaved forest
- Coniferous and mixed forest
- Natural grasslands
- Moors and heathland
- Transitional woodland-shrub
- Beaches, dunes, sands
- Sparsely vegetated areas
- Inland marshes
- Peat bogs
- Salt marshes
- Water courses
- Water bodies
- Coastal lagoons
- Sea and ocean



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Industrial or commercial units	1	5	4	5	5	1	3	4	4	5	5	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	1	1			
Road and rail networks	2	4	4	1	4	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	1	2	0				
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Airports	2	5	1	1	4	1	1	2	0	2	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	5	1	3	1	0			
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Green urban areas	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	4	1				
Sport and leisure facilities	2	0	0	2	6	0	0	1	0	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	6	6	6	6	0			
Non-irrigated arable land	2	2	2	0	1	2	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0			
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Pastures	1	3	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0			
Annual and permanent crops	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0			
Complex cultivation patterns	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0			
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Beaches, dunes and sand plains	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1				
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Salines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
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Coastal lagoons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
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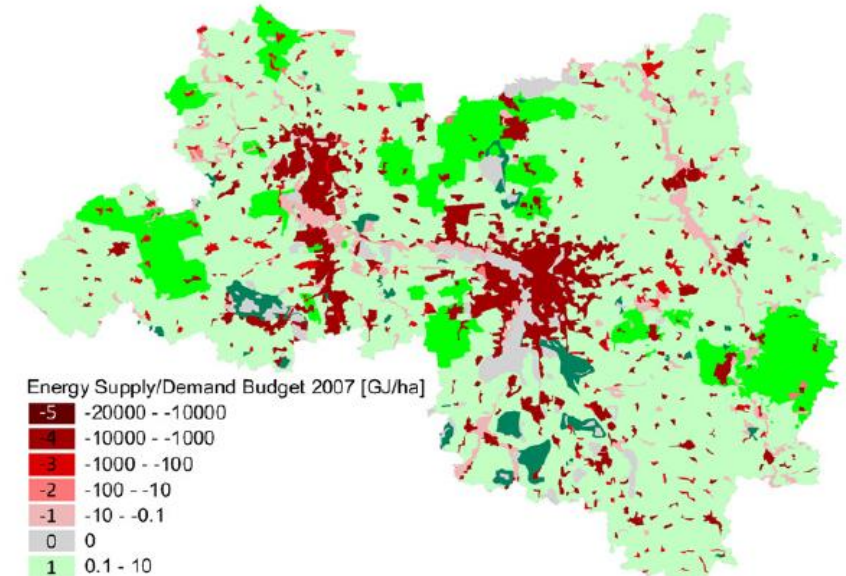
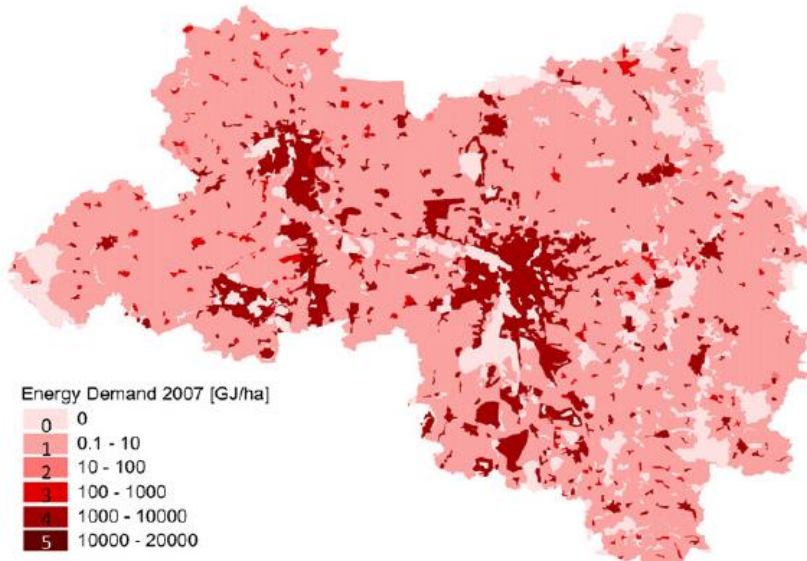
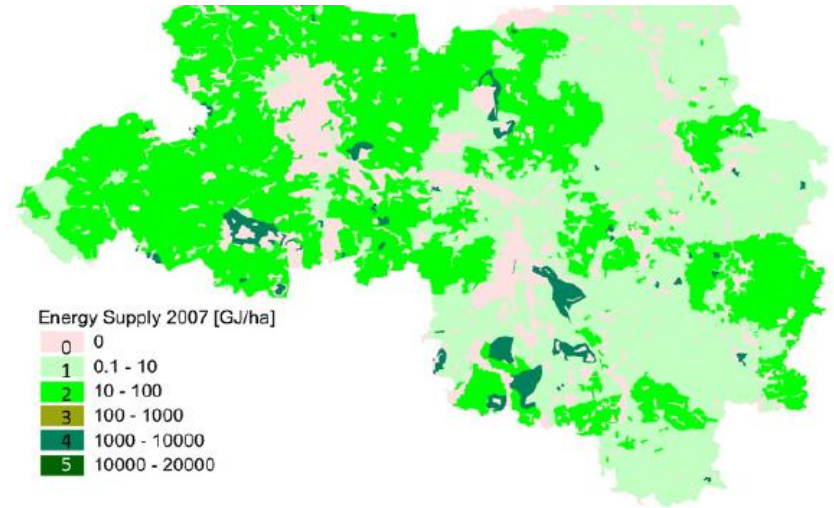
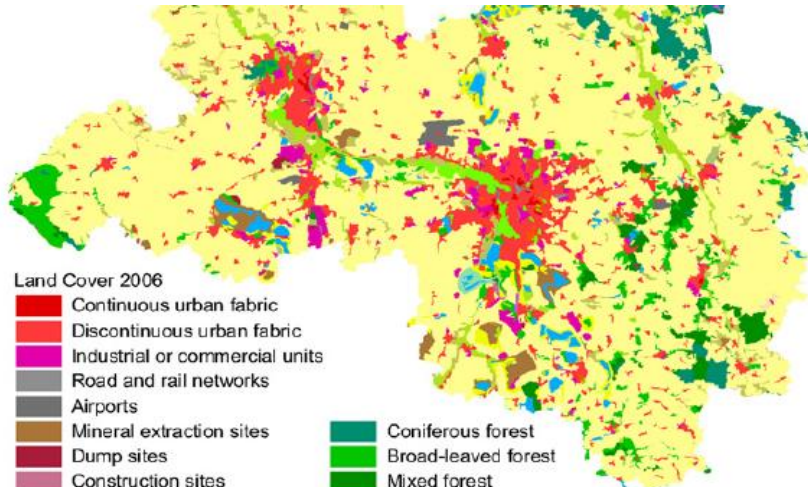
scale for assessing demands:

- 0 = no relevant demand
- 1 = low relevant demand
- 2 = relevant demand
- 3 = medium relevant demand
- 4 = high relevant demand
- 5 = very high relevant demand



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Pastures	0	-2	0	1		4	-1	-2			4	2					-1	0	-1	-2	3	
Annual and permanent crops	1	0	0	0		4	-2	-2		4	5	5						-1	0	-1	1	
Complex cultivation patterns	1	0	0	0	-1	-1	-5	-2	-3	3		3						-1	1	-1	2	
Agriculture & natural vegetation	2	0	1	1	0	2	3	-1	-2	2	3	2			3	3	3	0	0	-2	2	3
Agro-forestry areas	1	0	1	0	0	2	-2	-1	1	2	3	2			3	3	1	-1	-2		3	
Broad-leaved forest	5	4	3	2	5	5	5	5	5			1			4	4	4	1	5		5	5
Coniferous forest	5	4	3	2	5	5	5	5	5			1			4	4	4	1	5		5	5
Mixed forest	5	4	3	2	5	5	5	5	5			1			4	4	4	1	5		5	5
Natural grassland	2	3	1	1		5	5	5			3				2						3	3
Moors and heathland	4	3	2	2		3	4	2			2				1		2	2			5	5
Sclerophyllous vegetation	2	1	1	1				2			2				1		2		3		2	4
Transitional woodland shrub	1							2			2				1		2	1			2	2
Beaches, dunes and sand plains			5	1														1			4	1
Bare rock			1	1			1														4	
Sparsely vegetated areas	1		1	1																		
Burnt areas	1																					
Glaciers and perpetual snow	3	3		4															5		5	
Inland marshes	2	2	4	2		4					2	5										
Peatbogs	4	5	3	3		3	4	2										2			4	4
Salt marshes	1		5			2					2										3	
Salines	2																				2	
Intertidal flats	1		5			1												1			4	
Water courses	1		2	1		3	3						2		4			3	5		5	5
Water bodies	2	1	1	2		1							2		3				5		5	4
Coastal lagoons	1		4										3	5	4			1			5	4
Estuaries			3			3	3						4	5	4			2			4	3
Sea and ocean	3	5				5					1	4	5					3			4	2







The “Matrix” Approach

Weaknesses

- Time consuming
- Resource consuming
- Specific for an area
- Doesn't take into consideration the status of the environment
- Too slow for a broader application

Strengths

- Spatial units well defined
- Visualization of ES
- Involvement of the local community and stakeholders



The “Matrix” Approach

Space for improvement
through
Modeling

Hydrographical
modeling

Bio/Physical/Chemical
modeling

Quantitative Approach!

Past and Future
Scenarios

Relative change of ES
provision

Sustainability
regarding ES



- Developing a new methodology which aims to:

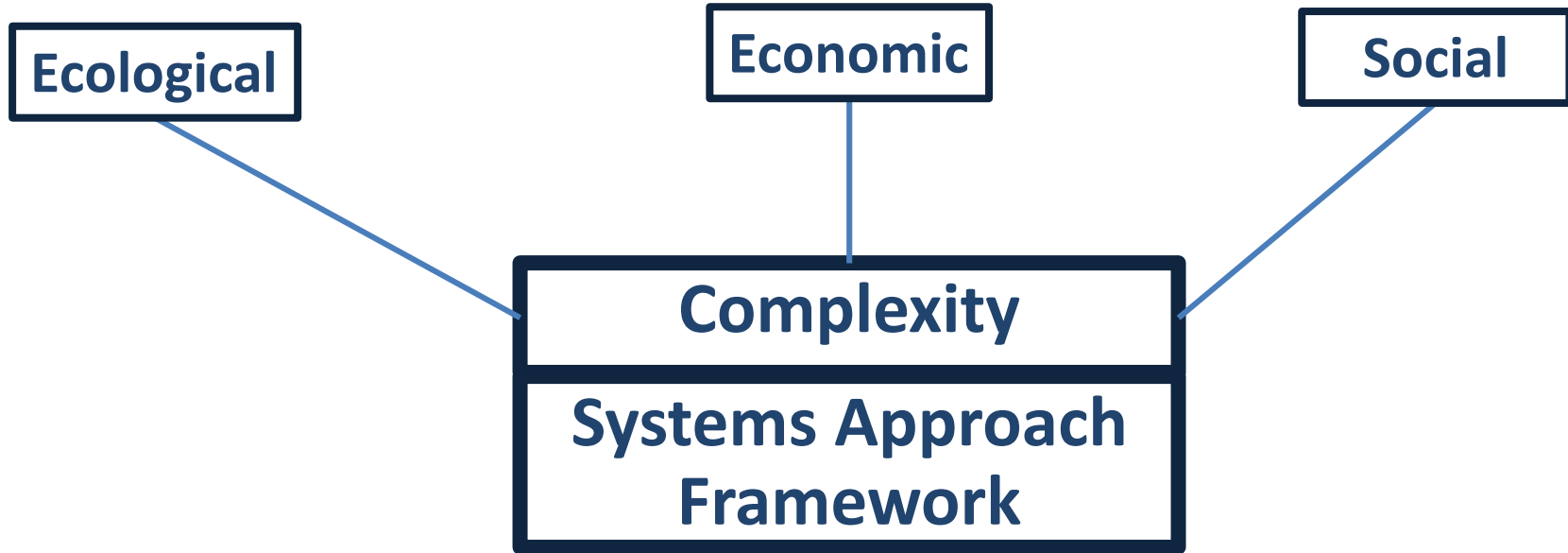
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Relevance

What is the objective of the concept or why is important?



Raise awareness about the destruction of the natural capital provided by our ecosystems, ensure an integrative management with the aim of make a sustainable use of resources for the next generations



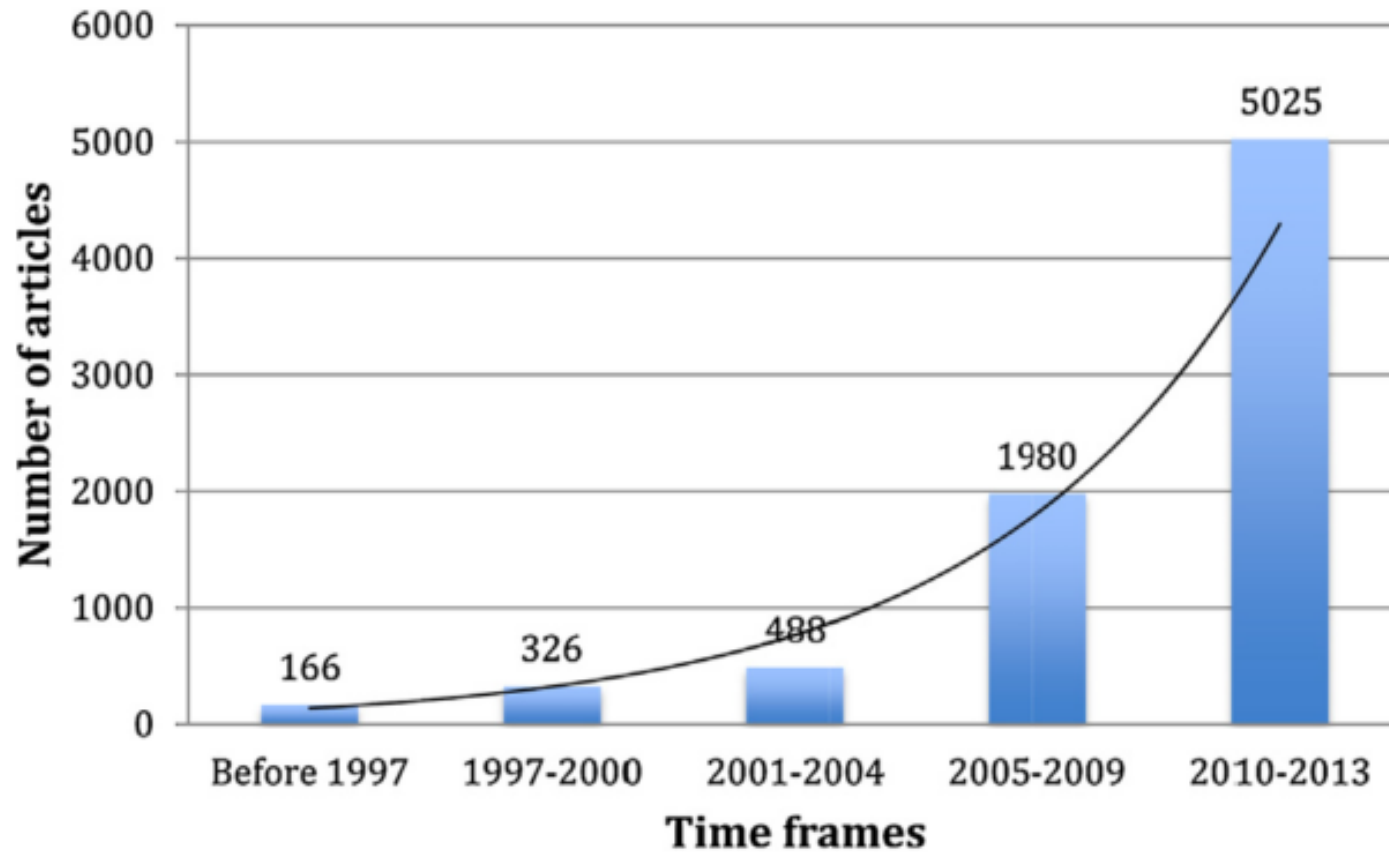
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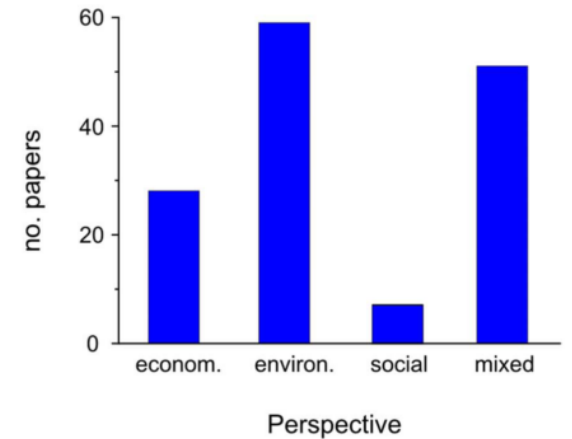
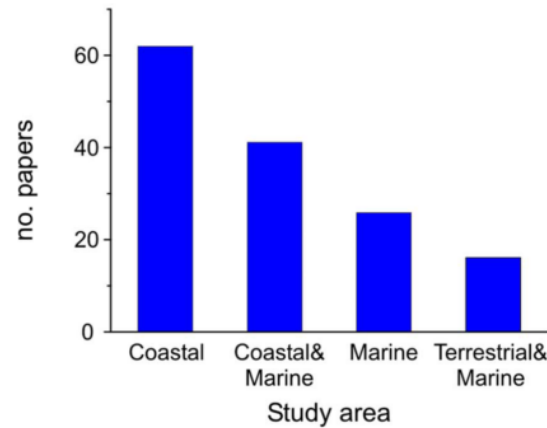
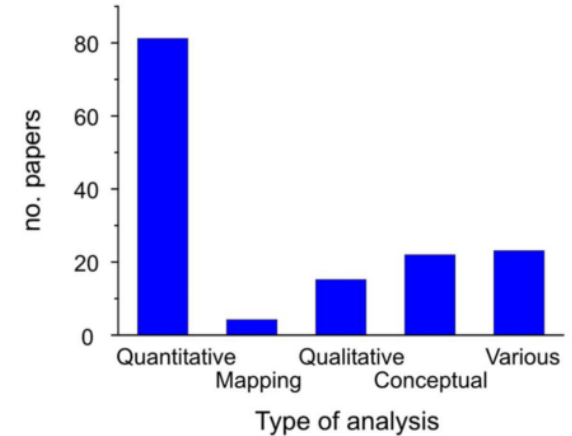
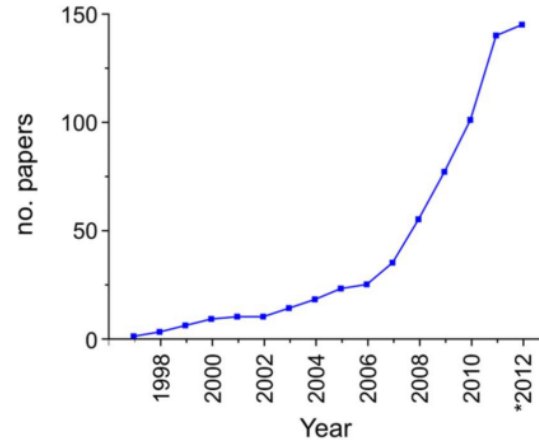
Research Gaps:

- The concept is too focused on monetary valuation, this leaves the ecological understanding of ES on the side
- There are few assessment available with a full assessment of ES (for marine environment
- Weak understanding of interaction between services
- No suitable Indicators for a comprehensive and proper assessment
- Assessments are site specific and consume a lot of resources and time
- Within assessments, services are not comparable between each other – due to different units

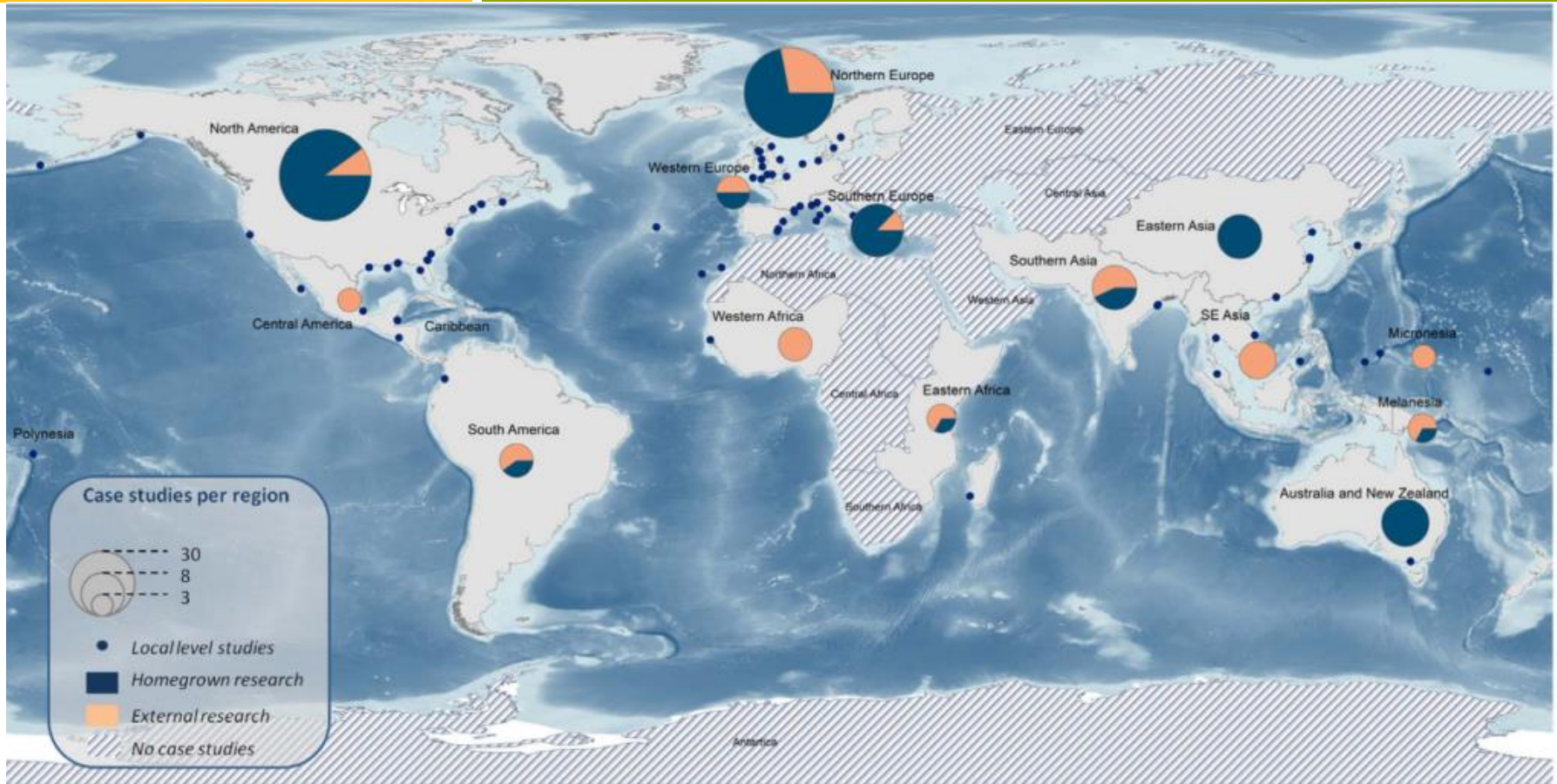


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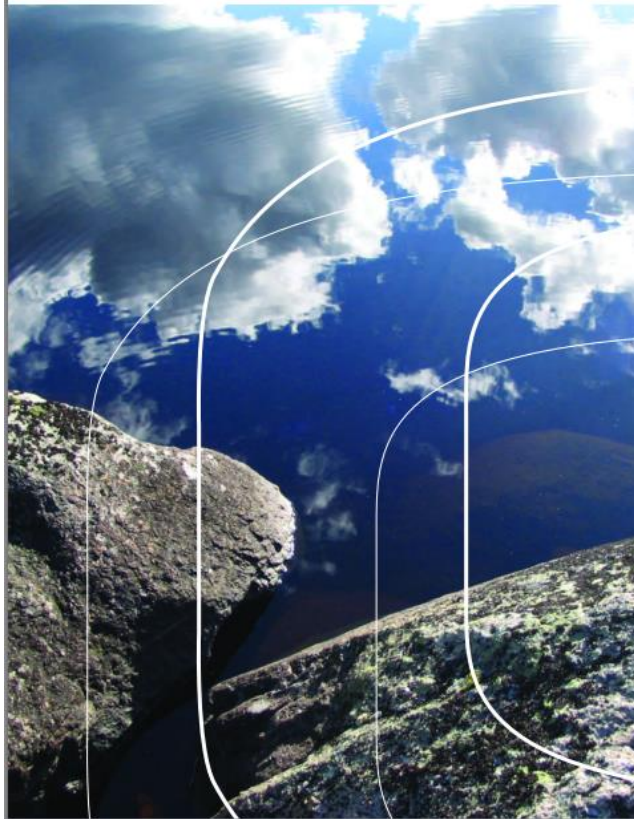
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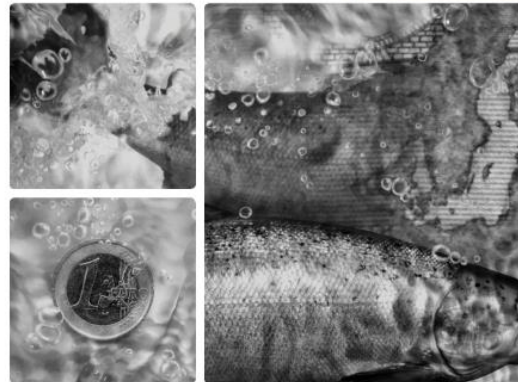
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➤ To whom this concept can be relevant?

- Governments
- Managers and Policy makers
- Stakeholders
- Scientists
- NGO's
- General Public



TARGET 2 Maintain and restore ecosystems and their services



Conclusions and recommendations

- Although there is an increasing effort on it most of the assessments focus only on a group of ES **not providing a whole picture regarding the concept**
- The increase of assessments and mapping of ES in the oceans will develop our **knowledge about the interaction of economic and social with the ecologic** part of the system
- Development of a **standard methodology** that fits both land and sea and incorporates land-sea interface;



- Development of **standard indicators** to be used for marine ecosystem services assessment;
- Deal with **subjectivity** in a way that the scientific output can be inserted into **management**;
- Raise public's awareness about the concept and explain its importance!



Weaknesses

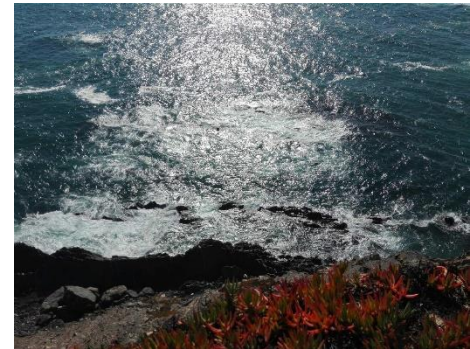
Strengths



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