HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BIODIVERSA-IPBES COLLABORATION TO REINFORCE SCIENCE-POLICY INTERFACING ON BIODIVERSITY

BiodivERsA is **the network of programmers and funders of research on biodiversity**, ecosystem services and Nature-based Solutions from 25 European countries, and outermost regions and overseas countries and territories.

Based on a shared Strategic Research Agenda, BiodivERsA partners develop and support **major research programs and capacity building** at the crossroads of science, policy and practice.

Since the creation of the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) in 2012, **BiodivERsA has collaborated with IPBES across its 4 functions**, through a mutually beneficial approach.

Success stories and prospects for this successful collaboration are highlighted in this brochure

A successful collaboration across the 4 IPBES functions:

✦ Assessing knowledge
✦ Supporting policy
✦ Strengthening the knowledge foundations
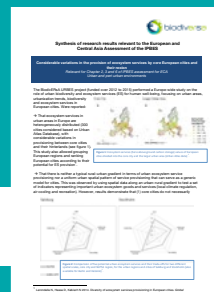✦ Building capacity
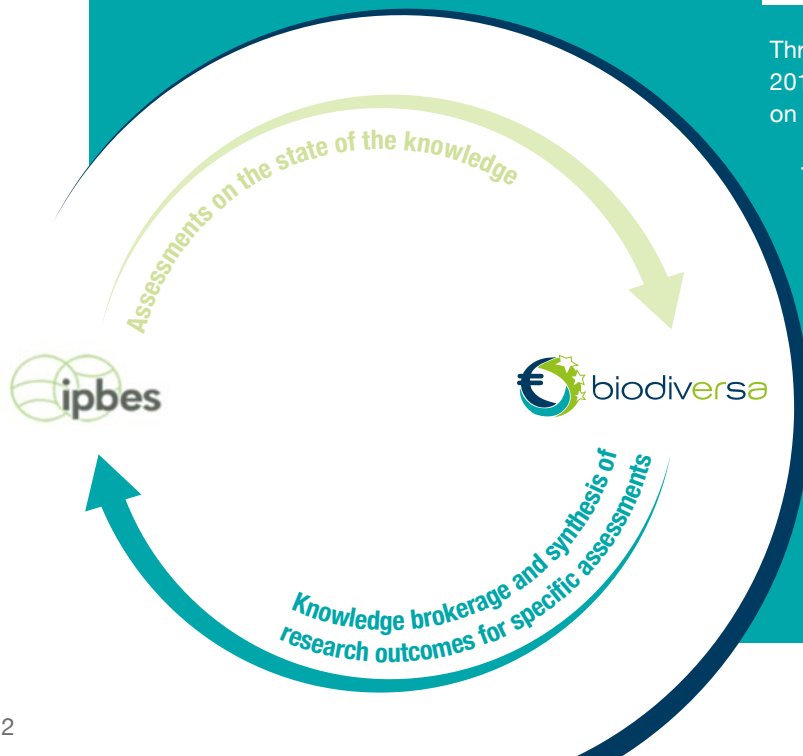
PRODUCING FACTSHEETS
TO FEED IPBES ASSESSMENTS OF BIODIVERSITY STATUS AND ISSUES

SUCCESS STORY

Throughout the Europe and Central Asia assessment (2016-2018), BiodivERsA provided authors with factsheets based on results from its funded projects. As a result:

→ **Results from 9 BiodivERsA projects** actually fed the assessment, with **at least 11 references;**

→ **1 success story** is directly traceable to a factsheet provided by BiodivERsA;

→ This approach was cited as exemplary by the IPBES assessment's Technical Support Unit.

Assessments on the state of the knowledge

Knowledge brokerage and synthesis of research outcomes for specific assessments

Example of a factsheet provided by BiodivERsA

SUPPORTING SCIENCE-POLICY INTERFACING
BY PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF POLICY TOOLS & METHODS
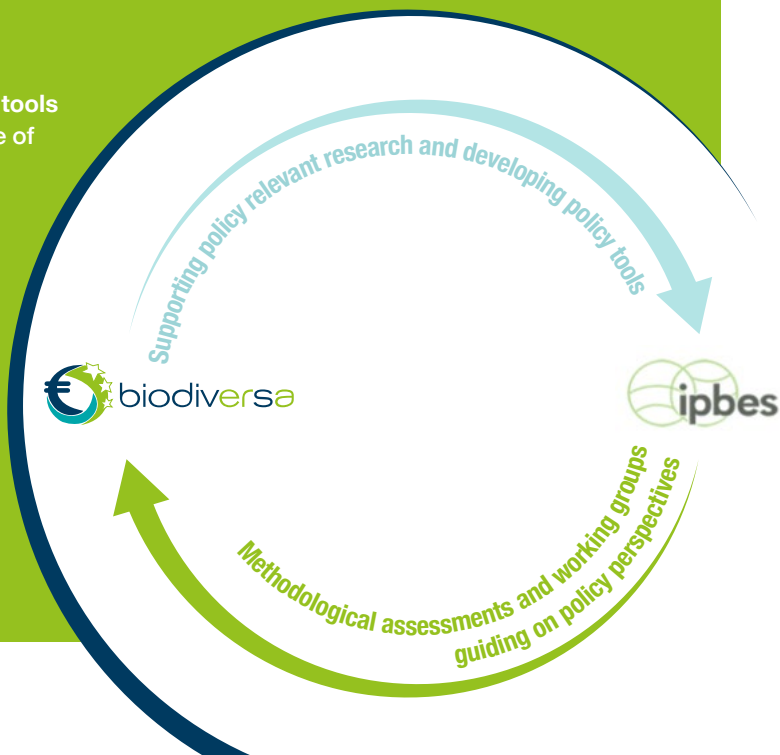
ONGOING DEVELOPMENTS

BiodivERsA is preparing:

→ Support to the **development and use of guidances and tools for decision-making** (e.g. practical guidance for the use of biodiversity scenarios by decision makers);

→ **Contributions to the IPBES policy support web portal.**

BiodivERsA engaged in the IPBES multi-stakeholder workshop developing New Visions for Nature in 2050 (Auckland, 2018)

Supporting policy relevant research and developing policy tools

Methodological assessments and working groups guiding on policy perspectives

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STIMULATING KNOWLEDGE GENERATION
TO FILL MAJOR KNOWLEDGE GAPS

BiodivERsA is now co-hosting the IPBES Technical Support Unit on Knowledge and Data for the generation of new knowledge.

SUCCESS STORY

BiodivERsA helped address knowledge gaps identified in the IPBES assessment on biodiversity scenarios, by:

→ implementing a research programme building on IPBES-identified gaps, with the Belmont Forum in 2017;

→ this programme mobilized **26 funding agencies** from **23 countries (EU & non- EU)** for a total of **28 million €** in cash.

Implementing calls for research to fill knowledge gaps

Co-hosting the IPBES TSU on Knowledge and Data

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Knowledge gaps identification in IPBES in IPBES assessments and by working groups

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BELMONT FORUM

Belmont Forum - BiodivERsA 2017-2018 Call for proposals

Scenarios of Biodiversity and Ecosystem services

Brochure presenting the 21 research projects funded

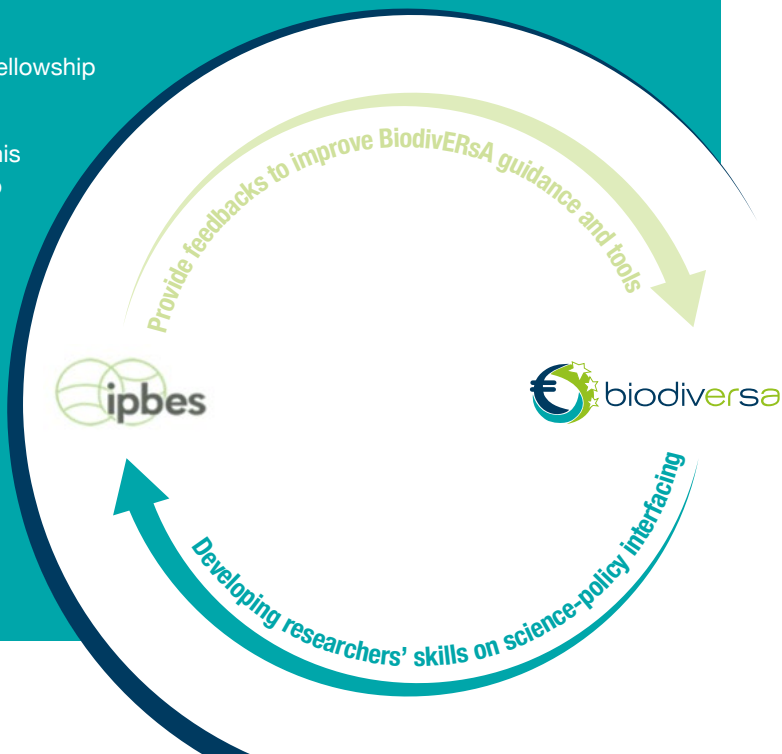# BUILDING CAPACITIES
AT THE SCIENCE-POLICY INTERFACE

SUCCESS STORY

BiodivERsA led a training session part of an IPBES Fellowship Programme in Marrakesh in 2019.

Built around the *BiodivERsA Guide on Policy Relevance*, this provided IPBES fellows with hands-on guidance on how to relate their research to international policy processes and plan for effective science-policy interfacing.

BiodivERsA guides, a key resource for capacity building

Provide feedbacks to improve BiodivERsA guidance and tools

Developing researchers' skills on science-policy interfacing

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