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Save the date: Review of the second order draft of the chapters and the first order draft of the summary for policymakers of the sustainable use of wild species assessment

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

I am pleased to announce that the second order draft of the chapters and the first order draft of the summary for policymakers of the assessment of the sustainable use of wild species will be open for external review **from 15 April to 10 June 2021**.

This second external review is addressed to governments and interested and qualified experts, including scientists, decision makers, practitioners and other knowledge holders. To ensure the highest scientific quality and policy relevance of this assessment, the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel is seeking the widest-possible participation from experts from all relevant disciplines and backgrounds. To ensure consistency with and continuity from the first external review, those who participated in the first review are particularly invited to send comments.

Information on how to register as a reviewer and access the documents will be shared at the beginning of the review period.

The Plenary will be invited to consider the summary for policymakers of this assessment for approval and its chapters for acceptance at IPBES 9, currently tentatively planned for March/April 2022.

I thank you for your continued support to IPBES.

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