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Invitation to a webinar on knowledge generation catalysis: knowledge gaps identified in the Invasive Alien Species Assessment and needs of new assessments

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in a webinar on knowledge generation catalysis that will be held on **11 March 2024 from 13:00 to 15:00 CET**, focusing on the knowledge gaps identified in the Thematic Assessment Report on Invasive Alien Species and Their Control (Invasive Alien Species Assessment) and the needs of new assessments.

As part of its work under objective 3 (a) of the rolling work programme of IPBES up to 2030, on advanced work on knowledge and data – knowledge generation catalysis, IPBES is in the process of developing a webpage to present the knowledge gaps identified in completed IPBES assessments, including those identified in the recently completed Invasive Alien Species Assessment. The webpage will allow users to easily access, filter and search the knowledge gaps. The webinar will start with a presentation of the webpage.

The webinar will also include a presentation by assessment experts of the main knowledge gaps identified in the Invasive Alien Species Assessment and opportunities to share efforts and needs to effectively fill the identified gaps.

The webinar will further provide a brief overview of the timeline, process, including opportunities to review and contribute, and general knowledge needs of the methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people (monitoring assessment, to be finalized in 2026).

Representatives from Governments and any interested stakeholders are invited to register for the webinar, using this link: <https://ipbes-net.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEudOyvpj8pEtyoCD60S61cxmvdhQIYx0g3>, as soon as possible but **no later than 10 March 2024**. The meeting will be conducted in English only.

For any questions concerning the webinar, please contact the secretariat at: mea-ipbes-secretariat@un.org.

I thank you for your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,

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