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Dear IPBES Members, Observers and Stakeholders,

We would like to invite you to review the further developed version of the prototype online catalogue of policy support tools and methodologies, and to submit, for inclusion in the catalogue, relevant policy instruments, policy support tools and methodologies, case studies, and learning opportunities.

Following <u>decision IPBES-5/1</u>, the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel, supported by a reconstituted task-specific expert group on policy support tools and methodologies, has further develop the catalogue in cooperation with relevant international processes and interested partners.

The catalogue is accessible at the following link: <u>https://www.ipbes.net/policy-support</u>. Since the catalogue is still under development it is not yet publicly accessible and therefore access will be given to those that request it following this link: <u>https://www.ipbes.net/psr</u>. Note that you would need to be signed in with your IPBES account in order to request access (should you not yet have such an account, please register here: <u>https://www.ipbes.net/user/register</u>).

For the review of the catalogue we are interested in feedback in particular with respect to: (i) content of the web pages and various elements of the catalogue, (ii) the structure of the website and its navigation, and (iii) the functionalities offered by the catalogue (e.g. the search options, interlinkages provided, and the process to upload further content). We would appreciate your feedback **no later than 19 January 2018**, and would request you to use the following template (click here to download) for your response.

In addition to the review of the online catalogue, we would like to invite you to share your work and experiences and to submit any relevant policy instruments, policy support tools and methodologies, case studies, and learning opportunities for inclusion in the catalogue. To upload any such content please follow this link: https://www.ipbes.net/policy-support/add-content, or click the "Add Content" button in the menu on the right hand side of the

catalogue, following which more detailed guidance is provided on how to upload content. Further, should you have any relevant expertise regarding a specific policy instrument or policy support tool, we would like to invite you to register yourself as individual or organisation as expert(s) by ticking the indicated link. As a result, you would be added to the community of practice for the respective policy instrument or policy support tool (note that you need to have an IPBES account for this).

We are looking forward to receiving your feedback and input in order to further improve this beta version of the online catalogue of policy support tools and methodologies.

Yours sincerely,

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