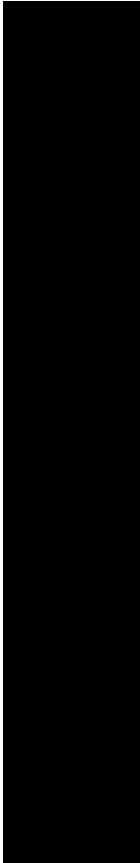




# IPBES

## Possible elements of the work programme

*(Prepared by UNEP)*



- **Work programme**

Draft work programme elements available on IPBES website - for comments by 15 December 2011

- **Rules of Procedures**

Proposals regarding rules of procedure and related procedures to be submitted by 15 December 2011

- **Proposals for hosting**

Proposals to be received by the Chair of the plenary meeting by 15 January 2012

**Draft document now available on [www.IPBES.net](http://www.IPBES.net)**

**Building on:**

- **Discussions at 1<sup>st</sup> session**
- **Information docs prepared to support work programme discussions**
- **Gap analysis and previous IPBES documents**
- **Independent expert workshops convened to date:**  
*US, Norway, Brazil, Japan, South Africa, ICSU*

## **Context and guiding principles**

- Guidance from the Busan outcome

## **Key considerations**

- Additional issues to support delivery of work programme

## **Possible elements of the work programme.**

33 potential activities on:

- Assessment, including identification of knowledge needed
- Identifying and addressing gaps in knowledge
- Policy support tools and methodologies
- Identifying and addressing capacity building needs

## **References**



# 1. Overarching and related functions of IPBES

## Four main related functions of IPBES:

- **Knowledge generation**
- **Regular and timely assessments**
- **Support policy formulation and implementation**
- **Capacity building**

# 1. Guiding principles

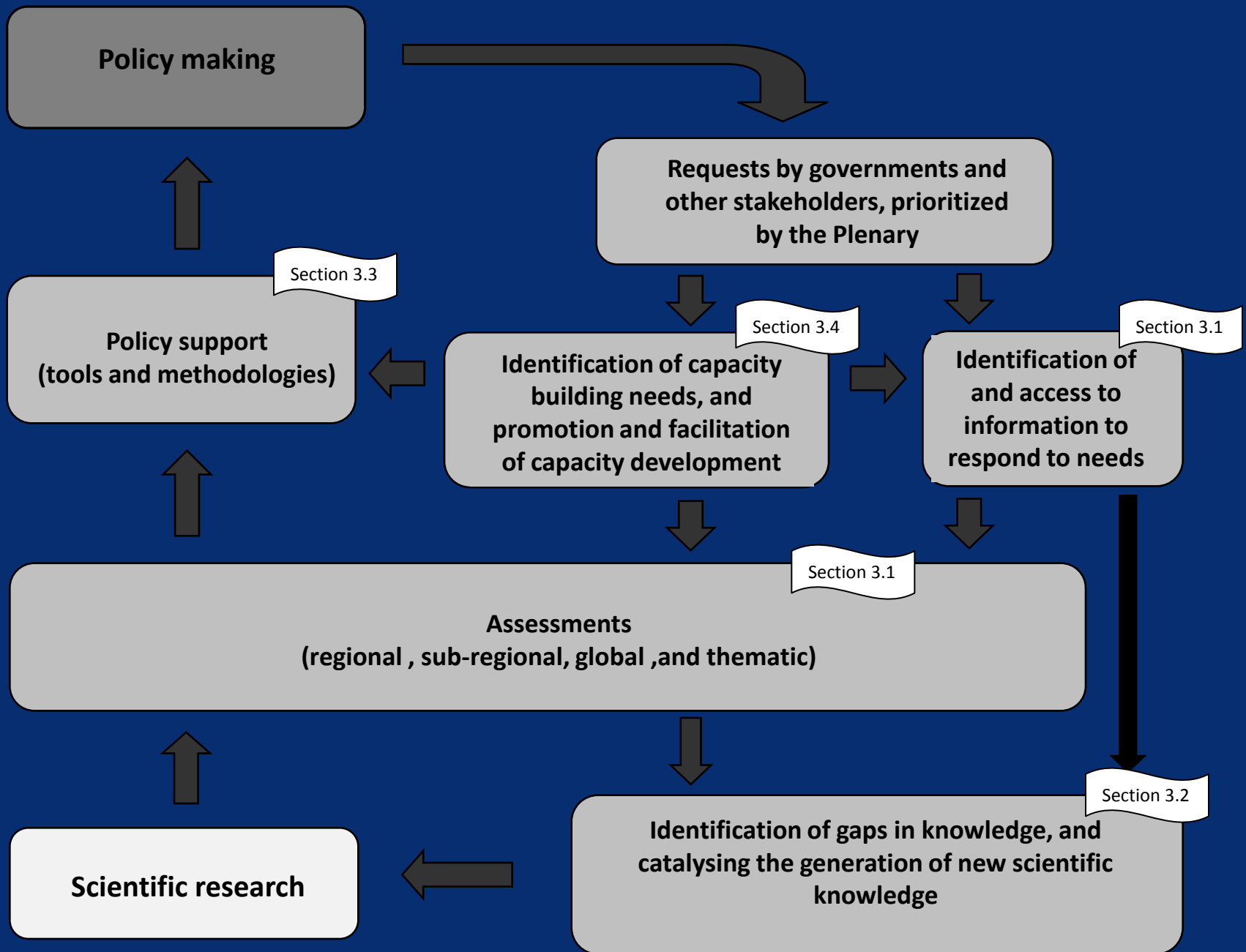
Including:

- Independent intergovernmental body;
- Scientifically independent, credible, relevant and legitimate;
- Policy-relevant but not policy-prescriptive;
- Recognise regional contexts and needs;
- Take a bottom up approach
- Full and effective participation of developing countries;
- Interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approach;
- Respect the contribution of indigenous and local knowledge;
- Address terrestrial, marine and inland water biodiversity and ecosystem services and their interactions.

## 2. Additional considerations

**To enable delivery of work programme:**

- **Process for making requests and setting priorities**
- **Importance of building on existing initiatives**
- **Consideration of strategic partnerships**
- **Consideration of early achievements**
- **Need for draft terms of reference for activities proposed**
- **Ensuring coherence in implementation**
- **Communications**
- **Monitoring and evaluation**
- **Other issues: additional procedures; subsidiary bodies; secretariat support.**







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Comments on draft work  
programme elements due by  
**December 15th**

