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| Condition | Label                   | ES name                         | Definition  | CICES 5.1<br>classes | Suggested indicators  |  |  | Data sources<br>[actual use]   | Data sources<br>[capacity]   | Potential<br>ES<br>bundles |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---|----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|----------------------------|
|           | Management<br>intensity | Intensity of land<br>management | The intensity of land management is a rel-<br>evant characteristic of forests, grasslands,<br>agricultural and water-based ecosystems<br>(w.g. fishponds), and it is a factor in the<br>supply of several ecosystem services. To<br>cover this aspect we have to define and<br>create comparable categories of manage-<br>ment intensity (based on e.g. livestock<br>density on grasslands) | _                    | management intensity index  | x  | expert knowledge,<br>ecosystem type, for-<br>est management data,<br>agricultural statisti-<br>cal data (fertilizer use,<br>grazing intensity, etc.),<br>remote sensing data |  |  |                            |
|           | Soil quality            | Overall soil quality            | Soil quality is an integrative ecosystem<br>characteristics determining the (potential)<br>growth vigour of major agricultural crops,<br>forests, and biomass in general. This semi-<br>persistent ecosystem characteristics is typi-<br>cally influenced by the fertility, thickness,<br>and structure of the soils.   | _                    | soil quality index  |  |  | expert knowledge,<br>ecosystem type, soil<br>maps, DTM (digital<br>terrain model), for-<br>estry databases |  |                            |
|           | Biodiversity            | Presence of biodi-<br>versity   | The composition/diversity of the biotic<br>components of an ecosystem is one of its<br>most relevant characteristics determining<br>capacities for a number of services.  | -                    | <ul> <li>a) presence/abundance of a<br/>(few) selected key spe-<br/>cies (groups) (remarkable<br/>biodiversity);</li> </ul> | b) a naturalness index giving an ag-<br>gregate evaluation of the "capac-<br>ity" of the sites to maintain high<br>levels of remarkable or general<br>biodiversity | c) presence/abundance for a few particularly problem-<br>atic invasive species.  | primary species recor<br>maps), biodiversity pro<br>tion model outputs, ec<br>knowledge                    | ds (e.g. distribution<br>xies, species distribu-<br>osystem type, expert |                            |

Table 1. Ecosystem conditions and their attributes

| Table 2. Provisioning | g Ecosystem | Services | and | their | attributes |
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|              | Label                        | ES name  | Definition   | CICES<br>5.1 classe    | s   | Suggested indicators   |  | Data sources<br>[actual use]   | Data sources<br>[capacity]   | Potential ES<br>bundles   |
|--------------|------------------------------|--|--|------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|---|
| Provisioning | Wild animals                 | Wild animals and their<br>outputs for nutrition or<br>materials      | Sustainable longterm potential of the eco-<br>system to supply wild fish or game and so<br>contribute nutrition or materials to humans.  | 1161 <i>,</i><br>1162  | a) wild fish or game<br>output [kg/ha/y] (It<br>can be an aggregat-<br>ed indicator for all<br>relevant species, or<br>species specific indi-<br>cators for a few pre-<br>selected key species)   | b) an index of sustain-<br>able and long term<br>output levels (only<br>for capacity)  |  | local statistical data, e.g.<br>angler permits, hunters<br>association s   | expert knowledge, eco-<br>system type, digital<br>terrain model (DTM),<br>biodiversity, manage-<br>ment intensity  | Fishing and hunting is<br>partly bundled to active<br>recreation 3111.  |
|              | Reared animals               | Reared animals and their<br>outputs for nutrition or<br>materials    | Sustainable longterm potential of the ecosys-<br>tem to supply nectar and pollen for honey-<br>bees and so contribute to honey production,<br>to supply forage through mowing or grazing<br>to domestic animals, or to enable fish cultiva-<br>tion by providing nutrients and appropriate<br>habitat in in-situ aquaculture.<br>Intensive production principally relying on<br>imported feed should not be considered here. | 1131,<br>1132,<br>1141 | a) domestic animal<br>products, like honey,<br>milk, meat, fish, wool,<br>etc. in their natural<br>quantities [e.g. kg/<br>ha/y] (specific to spe-<br>cies/product)   | <ul> <li>b) sustainable fodder,</li> <li>e.g. hay, provisionin g<br/>capacities of the sites<br/>in natural units [e.g.<br/>t/ha/y];</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>c) an index of sustain-<br/>able and long term<br/>output levels (only<br/>for capacity)</li> </ul>   | local statistical data<br>(registered beekeepers<br>and colonies, registered<br>number of livestock<br>and fish) | expert knowledge,<br>literature, ecosystem<br>type, digital terrain<br>model DTM, biodiver-<br>sity (naturalness: for<br>honey), management<br>intensity, except graz-<br>ing intensity for graz-<br>ing animals, soil fertil-<br>ity, hydrography | Bee pastures/ho ney<br>production is inherently<br>bundled with 2221 pol-<br>lination.                          |
|              | Agricultural<br>crops        | Cultivated terrestrial<br>plants grown for nutri-<br>tional purposes | Sustainable longterm potential of of the ecosystem to the growth of cultivated, land-<br>based crops and fruits grown by humans for food or harvested and used as raw material for the production of food.   | 1111                   | a) harvested crop yields<br>in their natural quan-<br>tities [e.g. kg/ha/y]<br>(specific to species/<br>product)  | b) an index of sustain-<br>able and long term<br>output levels (only<br>for capacity)  |  | local statistical data of<br>agricultura l crop area<br>and harvest yield  | expert knowledge, liter-<br>ature, ecosystem type,<br>digital terrain model<br>DTM, soil fertility, hy-<br>drography   | Cultivated plants are<br>often bundled, through<br>agricultura l systems,<br>with 1131 reared ani-<br>mals.     |
|              | Wild plants for<br>nutrition | Wild plants (berries,<br>mushrooms, herbs) used<br>for nutrition     | Sustainable longterm potential of the ecosys-<br>tem to supply mushrooms, fruits, berries and<br>medicinal herbs provided spontaneously by<br>the ecosystem.<br>Cultivated plants and mushrooms are not<br>included.   | 1151                   | a) an index characteris-<br>ing sustainable and<br>long term output lev-<br>els – either for specific<br>key species, or species<br>group(s), or an over-<br>all aggregated index<br>(just for capacity)  | b) sustainable annual<br>outputs of (specific)<br>wild fruits, or ber-<br>ries or mushrooms,<br>or medicinal herbs<br>[kg/ha/y]  | both <i>a</i> ) and <i>b</i> ) can be an aggregated indicator for all relevant species, or specific to a (few) preselected key species (groups)  | local statistical data (col-<br>lection permits issued)  | expert knowledge, liter-<br>ature, ecosystem type,<br>biodiversity (natural-<br>ness), soil type, man-<br>agement intensity  | Mushroom/berry col-<br>lecting activities are<br>partly bundled to active<br>recreation 3111.                   |
|              | Timber and<br>firewood       | Wild plants used for ma-<br>terials and energy                       | Sustainable longterm potential of the eco-<br>system to provide timber (material) and<br>firewood (energy) to humans.  | 1152,<br>1153          | <ul> <li>a) timber/firewood/<br/>wood output [m<sup>3</sup>/<br/>ha/y] - the aver-<br/>age annual output<br/>throughout an entire<br/>management cycle<br/>typical for the forest<br/>type (for capacity,<br/>this indicator doesnot<br/>depend on forest age)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>b) timber/fire wood/<br/>wood output [m<sup>3</sup>/<br/>ha/y] – the actually<br/>harvested (or to be<br/>harvested) quantities<br/>in the study period<br/>(for actual use)</li> </ul> | Both <i>a</i> ) and <i>b</i> ) can be<br>aggregated for all rel-<br>evant species, or they<br>can be species specific<br>indicator(s), focusing<br>on just a (few) prese-<br>lected key species. | statistical data of actual<br>harvest yields   | expert knowledge, liter-<br>ature, ecosystem type,<br>digital terrain data<br>(DTM), forest inven-<br>tory data, e.g. share of<br>main tree species, for-<br>est growth models   | This service is partly<br>bundled to 2261<br>global climate regula-<br>tion through carbon se-<br>questrati on. |

Table 3. Cultural Ecosystem Services and their attributes

|          | Label                                   | ES name  | Definition   |                                 | CICES 5.1<br>classes Suggested indicators         |   | Data sources<br>[actual use]  | Data sources<br>[capacity]  | Potential ES bundles   |
|----------|---|--|--|---------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| Cultural | Touristic attrac-<br>tiveness of nature | Physical and experiential interactions with nature | Contribution of ecosystems through their at-<br>tractiveness to tourism, recreation, outdoor<br>sports, observation and enjoyment of aesthetic<br>beauty of the landscape.<br>Attractiveness and use of abiotic features –<br>like caves, rocks, and other karst geomorpho-<br>logical features – also belongs here. | 3111,<br>3112,<br>3124,<br>6111 | <i>a)</i> actual tourism activity                 | b) index for touristic at-<br>tractiveness (capacity) | visitor numbers, social me-<br>dia (e.g. Instagram photos),<br>questionnaire surveys (spe-<br>leological associations), lo-<br>cal statistical data | expert knowledge, ecosystem<br>type, digital terrain model<br>(DTM), geomorphological/<br>cave map, tourism infrastruc-<br>ture map, relief, management<br>intensity, biodiversity, hydrog-<br>raphy, remote sensing data, ac-<br>cessibility | This service can be partly bun-<br>dled with some provisioning<br>services, e.g. wild animals (1161,<br>1162) and wild plants (1151) as<br>they are harvested through pop-<br>ular recreational activities, like<br>angling, hunting, gathering. |
|          | Education and training                  | Nature-based education and training                | Capacity/use of ecosystems (including abiotic features) as subject matter for in-situ teaching or skill development.   | 3122,<br>6121                   | an index for education<br>and training capacities |   | educational trails, forest<br>schools (and their visitor<br>statistics), scientific<br>activities   | expert knowledge, literature,<br>ecosystem type, biodiversity,<br>geomorphological/cave map,<br>hydrography, accessibility  | Can be partly bundled to normal recreational activities: 3111, 3112, 6111.   |

|            | Label  | ES name  | Definition   | CICES<br>5.1<br>classes | Suggested indicators                     | Data sources<br>[capacity]  | Potential ES bundles   |
|------------|--|--|--|-------------------------|--|---|--|
| Regulating | Climate regulation                             | Regulation of atmos-<br>pheric composition by<br>carbon sequestration and<br>storage | Global climate regulation by reduction of greenhouse gas con-<br>centrations through carbon sequestration and storage by the<br>biomass and soil. Actual use is always equal to capacities in the<br>case of this service.   | 2261                    | amount of carbon<br>sequestered [t/ha/y] | expert knowledge, literature (IPCC method-<br>ology), ecosystem type, digital terrain model<br>(DTM), forest inventory data, national green-<br>house gas inventory | This service is partly bundled to timber and fire-<br>wood provisioning capacities: 1152, 1153.  |
|            | Erosion prevention                             | Control of erosion rates   | Prevention risk of soil loss by stabilisation and control of mass<br>flow due to the presence of natural soil cover.   | 2211                    | erosion prevention<br>capacity index     | expert knowledge, ecosystem type, digital terrain<br>model (DTM), management intensity, pollution<br>sources, soil quality (thickness)                              | This ES often comes tightly bundled with 2213 water flow regulation and water quality regulation/pollutant removal 2251, 2111, 2112.                                 |
|            | Water quality regulation and pollutant removal | Regulation and mainte-<br>nance of chemical condi-<br>tion of water                  | Regulation and maintenance of good chemical condition of<br>freshwaters by living processes, as well as transformation, fix-<br>ing and storage of organic or inorganic pollutants, that enable<br>human consumption and use of water.                                   | 2251,<br>2111,<br>2112  | index for water quality protection       | expert knowledge, ecosystem type, digital terrain<br>model (DTM), management intensity, pollution<br>sources, soil quality (thickness)                              | This ES often comes tightly bundled with 2213 water flow regulation and 2211 erosion prevention.   |
|            | Water flow regulation                          | Hydrological cycle and water flow regulation   | Contribution of ecosystems through their land cover to slowing<br>down the passage of surface water into the karst system, and<br>thus to the balanced water yield of karst wells and springs, as<br>well as the mitigation of torrential surface runoff (flash floods). | 2213                    | water retention<br>capacity index        | expert knowledge, ecosystem type, digital terrain<br>model (DTM), management intensity, pollution<br>sources, soil quality (thickness)                              | This ES often comes tightly bundled with other<br>regulating ES,<br>e.g. 2211 erosion prevention, or water quality<br>regulation/pollutant removal 2251, 2111, 2112. |

## Table 4. Regulating Ecosystem Services and their attributes

|                   |  | Selection criteria                               |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|-------------------|--|--|---|--|---|----------------------|---|---|---|-------------|-------------|--------|
|                   | -  |  | osystem types conc  | erned  | 2. b  | enefits for local pe | ople                                      | 3. local relevance                                      |   | 4. relation | to other ES |        |
| Ecosystem service |  | 1.1  | 1.2   | 1.3  | 2.1   | 2.2                  | 2.3                                       | 3.1   | 3.2   | 4.1         | 4.2         | Sum of |
|                   |  | can be linked<br>to specific karst<br>ecosystems | can be linked<br>to an ecosystem<br>type of large<br>land surface | can be linked<br>to an ecosystem<br>type of high con-<br>servation value | 1provides eco-<br>nomic benefit for<br>on-<br>ueprovides non-<br>marketed liveli-<br>hood for local<br>peoplehas a high capac-<br>ity for benefit<br>which is still<br>underutilizedimportant in the<br>perception of lo-<br>cal people |                      | is part of an<br>important local<br>issue | is inherently bun-<br>dled with one or<br>more other ES | is in trade-off<br>with one or more<br>other ES | scores      |             |        |
|                   | timber and firewood  |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | hay, fodder/output of grazed livestock<br>(subcategory of the ES, reared animals') |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | cultivated fish (subcategory of the ES, reared animals')                           |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | honey (subcategory of the ES, reared animals')                                     |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | wild game (subcategory of the ES, wild animals')                                   |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
| Provisioning      | wild fish (subcategory of the ES, wild animals')                                   |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | medicinal herbs (subcategory of the ES, wild plants for nutrition')                |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | mushrooms (subcategory of the ES ,wild plants for nutrition')                      |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | wild fruits or berries (subcategory of the ES, wild plants for nutrition')         |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | agricultural crop  |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
| Cultural          | touristic attractiveness of nature   |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
| Cultulai          | education and training   |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | water quality regulation and pollutant removal                                     |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
| Regulating        | water flow regulation and erosion prevention                                       |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |
|                   | climate regulation   |  |   |  |   |                      |   |   |   |             |             |        |

Please fill in each cells of the below table by adding 1 if the particular criteria is relevant for the service and 0 if it is not. Please collect all your questions and comments arising during the exercise.

Table 6. Participants of the stakeholder workshops for identification and validation of ESs and PBBs, distributed into stakeholder groups by PAs

|   | Notranjska Regional Park | Žumberak-Samoborsko<br>gorje Nature Park | Kalkalpen National Park | Bükk National Park | Apuseni Nature Park | Bijambare Protected<br>Landscape | Tara National Park | Totals |
|---|--------------------------|--|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------|
| NGOs                                      | 2                        | 6  | 2                       | 1                  | 4                   | 9                                | 3                  | 27     |
| PA management                             | 5                        | 9  | 6                       | 15                 | _                   | 10                               | 14                 | 61     |
| Stakeholders/ interest groups/ businesses | 13                       | 16                                       | 19                      | 26                 | 26                  | 16                               | 17                 | 107    |
| Municipalities                            | 1                        | 2  | 4                       | _                  | 5                   | 5                                | 2                  | 18     |
| Ministries                                | 1                        | 6  | -                       | -                  | 1                   | 2                                | -                  | 10     |
| Forestry                                  | 5                        | 3  | _                       | 2                  | 2                   | 2                                | 1                  | 18     |
| Public institutions                       | 6                        | 4  | _                       | 4                  | 3                   | 10                               | 4                  | 31     |
| Media                                     | 2                        |  |                         |                    |                     | 2                                | 1                  | 5      |