

**13th EIONET workshop on Climate Change Impacts, Vulnerability and Adaptation
12-13 June 2019**

Report of the break out Group 6: Ecosystem-based adaptation

- *Chair:* Sergio Castellari (EEA)
- *Note-taker:* Silvia Medri (ETC/CCA)
- 8 participants

Sergio presented the EEA activity toward the finalization of an *EEA Scoping Paper on Ecosystem-based Approaches for climate change adaptation (CCA) and disaster risk reduction (DRR)*. He showed the Annotated Outline of the Scoping Paper and he explained the concept of the future *2020 EEA Report*, which will be built on this Scoping Paper.

The three questions asked to the participants were the following:

1. *Q1 - Taking into consideration the annotated outline of the Scoping Paper, what are your views on the focus, objectives and approach of the EEA work on this topic?*
2. *Q2 - Which EEA activities within this topic have a high priority from your perspective?*
3. *Q3 - Are you interested to provide some support to this EEA work (e.g. providing some relevant information on these topics at national and subnational level, or reviewing the final draft of the Scoping Paper)?*

Q1:

- The participants found relevant the focus, the objectives and the approaches of the EEA work toward the Scoping Paper.

Q2:

- The last part of the Scoping Paper focused on gaps, barriers, good practices of ecosystem-based approaches for CCA and DRR has been found the most relevant part of the paper.
- Furthermore, the links of these topics with LULUCF have been mentioned and these links should be mentioned in the Scoping Paper.

Q3 – Country support

- The 2nd National Adaptation Plan of France includes NBS actions and a National thematic report on NBS will be published during this year and then translated in English. Furthermore, a new web-portal on CCA will be launched in France in the Fall.
- The 1st NAP of Slovakia will include NBS and four National projects on urban scale include NBS.
- The H2020 PHUSICOS NBS demonstration project related to natural hazards in the mountains has been highlighted from one participant, which is a partner of this project.
- A Platform on CCA policy initiatives (including NBS) in all the regions in Belgium will be launched in September. The platform on climate change impacts at the municipal level from the Flemish Government will be further extended on how municipalities can implement NBS. A Flemish platform for Covenant of Mayors in Belgium also offers NBS. The Interreg 2Seas project ‘Prowater’ on payment for ecosystem services (started in September) has been highlighted.
- It has been highlighted a 2018 UK study on NBS for flood risk management with case studies and insights into financial/market mechanism to deliver NBS.
- All this information will be provided by email to Sergio.
- Finally, some participants (France, Belgium, OPCC) offered their availability to be members of the Advisory Group aimed to review the Scoping Paper. Then back in the Plenary, also the NRC of Spain offered to be a member of this Group.