

BiodivERsA's approach & role in assessing biodiversity research priorities

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BiodivERsA: network of organisations programming and funding research on biodiversity and ecosystem services, and NbS across European countries and territories

BiodivERsA1: FP6 ERAnet 2005-2010 (13 countries) BiodivERsA2: FP7 ERAnet 2010-2014 (15 countries)

BiodivERsA3: H2020 ERAnet 2015-2019 (23 countries – 35 partner organisations)

BiodivERsA Partnership (came into force this week!)

- •Promote cooperation and collaboration among national and local research programmers and funders, with strong link with the European Commission, towards joint programming;
- •Increase science-society and science-policy interfacing throughout the whole research process;
- •Promote R&I for the benefit of biodiversity, society, economy and human well-being.











BiodivERsA: Europe and its Overseas, and beyond





BiodivERsA integrates national programmes & funds to achieve resource efficiency and synergy, and build up the European Research Area for Biodiversity, ES and NbS



- Internationalisation

=> CRITICAL MASS!

Green: BiodivERsA partners **Blue**: international partners in BiodivERsA calls



Main functions of BiodivERsA







Mapping and foresight activities



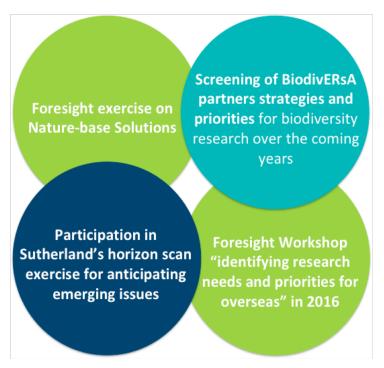


The BiodivERsA database for a comprehensive view on research programmes and projects within Europe



Mapping research collaborations between Europe and other regions (e.g., ERA-LAC collaboration analysed with ALCUE-NET)



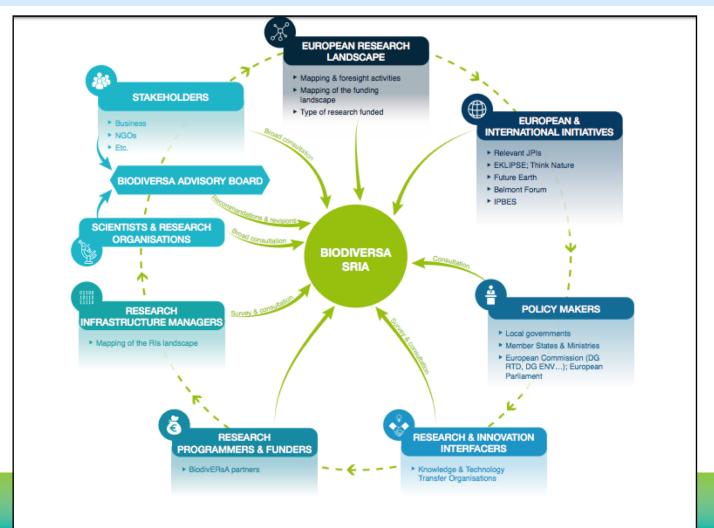


And also on-going:

- → Mapping research infrastructures in Europe
- → Mapping Knowledge and Tech. Transfer Organisations



MULTISTAKEHOLDER APPROACH USED FOR DEVELOPING THE BIODIVERSA STRATEGIC RESEARCH & INNOVATION AGENDA (SRIA)





Shared strategy and priorities





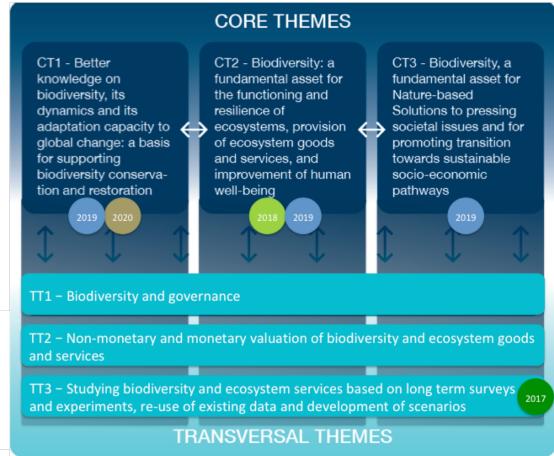
Developing a long-term vision and identifying common research priorities between BiodivERsA partners





BiodivERsA SRIA and 2017-2019 implementation plan, available at www.biodiversa.org







BiodivERsA research funding opportunities







Lauching Joint Calls for medium-sized projects (specific evaluation criteria: policy relevance, societal impact, stakeholder engagement)



raised by BiodivERsA Partners and the EC

* incl. tentative figures for the 2017 Call



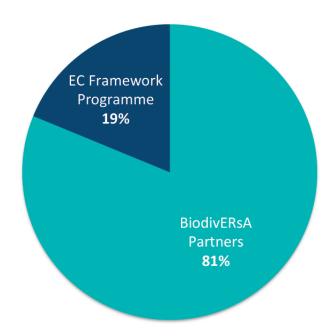




BiodivERsA and EC: Complementary roles



In Europe and over 2004-2016, BiodivERsA partners and EC manage 81% and 19% of funding through competitive programmes for biodiversity research, respectively



Source: BiodivERsA database



Knowledge brokerage and results uptake





POLICY



PRIVATE SECTOR

e.g. BiodivERsA R&I workshops for funded projects

- → New research/business collaborations
- → New R&I activities for BiodivERsA

PRACTITIONERS

e.g. exploring collaboration with LIFE

EUROPEAN & INTERNATIONAL INITIATIVES

e.g. EKLIPSE; OPPLA; ThinkNature; Belmont Forum;

JPIs; IPBES







BiodivERsA-IPBES: a two-way street





BiodivERsA feeds new knowledge and tools into the IPBES assessments and policy support tools

- •Based on a review of the ECA assessment SOD (May 2017), there are **at least 9 BiodivERsA projects** that have results included in the assessment, with **at least 11 references and 1 success story** directly traceable to synthesised results provided by BiodivERsA through its SSI/SPI officer.
- •BiodivERsA was cited by the ECA assessment TSU as an example of how to efficiently contribute to IPBES assessments
- •BiodivERsA produces relevant tools to be considered in the **IPBES policy support tools** catalogue



BiodivERsA-IPBES: a two-way street





Research needs and knowledge gaps identified in IPBES assessments are accounted for when defining and implementing BiodivERsA priorities

- •The **BiodivERsA Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda** and its implementation plan
- •The BiodivScen joint action between BiodivERsA and the Belmont Forum: recommendations and research needs of the IPBES methodological assessment on scenarios and modelling have been accounted for and are included in the scientific text of the international call for research projects, as well as in a number of other activities (mapping and foresight; capacity building, science-policy interfacing..) planned under this action.
- => BiodivERsA tangibly supports the IPBES objective of catalysing new knowledge



SUMMARY



The BiodivERsA partnership:

- Key role for joint programming of solution-oriented research on biodiversity, ecosystem services and nature-based solutions at a Pan-European scale
- Critical mass to coordinate research with a broad geographical coverage across Europe (mainland + overseas), and with strong cooperation with non-EU research funders
- Demonstrated openness and capacity to cover trans-sectoral issues through collaboration with EU and international initiatives
 - two-way street
 - need for dedicated resources (people) to fully understand the global processes,
 to allow for timely follow-up and to monitor the uptake of research
 - more heavily then strictly pan-European approach
 - positive experience (increased visibility + academic & policy impact)
- → Complementary role with EC



Find out more about BiodivERsA

www.biodiversa.org





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