

Measuring Progress: Nature and the SDGs Outline

Executive Summary

Chapter 1: An Overview of Nature in the SDGs

This chapter would include how nature is considered in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs. This chapter would present the broad link between nature-related SDGs and environmental and socio-economic benefits.

Chapter 2: Methodology

This chapter will highlight the analytical approach that was used in the analysis. This chapter would include some initial discussion related to data availability and how using data availability as a criterion for indicator selection may result in some bias.

Chapter 3: The State of Nature

This chapter will outline the general state of nature using the nature-related SDGs as a basis. It will also include a summary of the biodiversity and environmental condition, including pollution.

Chapter 4: Role of and Trends between nature and biodiversity

This chapter will discuss how well nature correlates with the direct drivers of change (environmental policy, protected areas, investment in ecosystem restoration). It will discuss particular types of interventions, including protected areas, environmental spatial planning/management and financing for the environment.

Chapter 5: Role of and Trends between nature and socio-economic development

This chapter will discuss the link between nature and socio-economic development by looking at correlation between environmental and socio-economic outcomes.

Chapter 6: Case studies and examples

This chapter identifies 2 countries where there has been particular success in terms of achieving both environmental and socio-economic objectives and will examine the conditions which led to success.

Chapter 7: Data gaps and opportunities

This chapter will look at which aspects of nature we are able to measure versus which aspects currently lack the information needed to understand the current global situation. This chapter will look at how these gaps can be filled using new technologies and techniques.

Chapter 8: Conclusions and Recommendations