

Dear ESP members and friends,

A rather informal [ESP Update](#) this time because we have two [urgent](#) messages:

1) 6th ESP conference Bali

We are pleased to announce that the registration has now officially started. This is a few days later than planned due to the very high number of good proposals for Workshops, Open Topics and Special Sessions: 46 in total!

You can now also submit abstracts for oral presentations and posters. See the conference website

(www.espconference.org) for further information. Deadline for abstracts is **May 1st**

Attached is the latest version of the flyer, please distribute this further in your networks and consider placing a short announcement in appropriate newsletters.

2) Nominations for IPBES meeting on Conceptual Framework: deadline March 28 !

A few days ago we received a request to nominate expert(s) to participate in an expert workshop to discuss the IPBES conceptual framework to be held in Cambridge between August 19–23 (see attached nomination form).

The closing date for submission of nominations is already very soon: **March 28th**. We actually assume it will be extended because of the very short deadline but if you are interested it is best to react quickly.

Comments on the first paper submitted about the conceptual framework to be adopted by the IPBES Platform were made public on <http://www.ipbes.net/plenary/comments-received-on-the-on-going-intersessional-process.html>

Best wishes,

Dolf de Groot and ESP Support Team

PS: below a short text you can use to advertise the conference in Newsletters or other media:

6th International ESP Conference 2013, 'Making Ecosystem Services Count'

The Ecosystem Services Partnership organises the 6th annual ESP conference from 26–30 August 2013, in Bali, Indonesia hosted by ICRAF in collaboration with, among others, UNEP, UNCCD and TEEB. The emphasis will be on the practical application of the ecosystem services concept illustrated with actual case studies. The program consists of a mix of plenary sessions, more than 40 workshops and open–topic sessions, and 8–10 special sessions organised by the ESP main partners and sponsors. The deadline for submission of abstracts is 1 May 2013.

For more information please see the ESP Conference website (<http://www.espconference.org>). For further information on ESP: <http://www.es-partnership.org>

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