

Bulgaria

Community-Driven Biodiversity Knowledge Hub

What is the Hub about?

The Bulgarian Demonstration Hub is all about strengthening an existing community of practice (SELINA project) by integrating museum and biodiversity records, sharing biodiversity data at the science-policy interface, and incorporating IPBES and IPCC outputs for public and private and IPCC outputs for public and private decision-making.



Why does this matter?

Bulgaria lags in implementing IPBES and IPCC materials, and national capacity remains limited and fragmented. Few experts are involved, limiting the country's contributions, and access to international networks. Information has been promoted mainly by scientists, while the IPCC briefly gained political attention during the 6th plenary hosted in Bulgaria.

What will the hub do?

The Hub aims to expand the existing community of practice, engage new members and strengthening collaboration, support sustainable efforts to address biodiversity, ecosystem services, and climate change in Bulgaria and South-East Europe by actively sharing insights from IPBES and IPCC. In addition, IPBES assessments will be analysed in the national context to identify relevant gaps and formulate recommendations for future assessment cycles. The initiative will also include stakeholder in discussions.



Expected outcomes of Hub

Operational demo cluster; engaged stakeholder network across different sectors; Stronger Bulgarian involvement in IPBES and IPCC; cross-sectoral collaboration, creating synergies to upskill human capital; sustainability plan and actions.

Main stakeholders



Academia



NGOs



Government



Industry

Leads



NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
BULGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

Partners

