Evamab closing workshop

Introduction

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Cross-fertilizing workshop for the EVAMAB project (Bahir Dar, Ethiopia, 13-17 May 2019)

Objectives

The workshop will have three objectives:

- 1. To share results and best practices and increase ownership of the representatives.
- 2. To draft generalizable conclusions and recommendations for the whole AfriMAB network, building on lessons learned in the various case study locations. These will be presented at the AfriMAB meeting 2019.
- To serve as EVAMAB third (and last) Steering Committee and to explore the possibilities to create a core Group on Ecosystem Services in the AfriMAB Network.

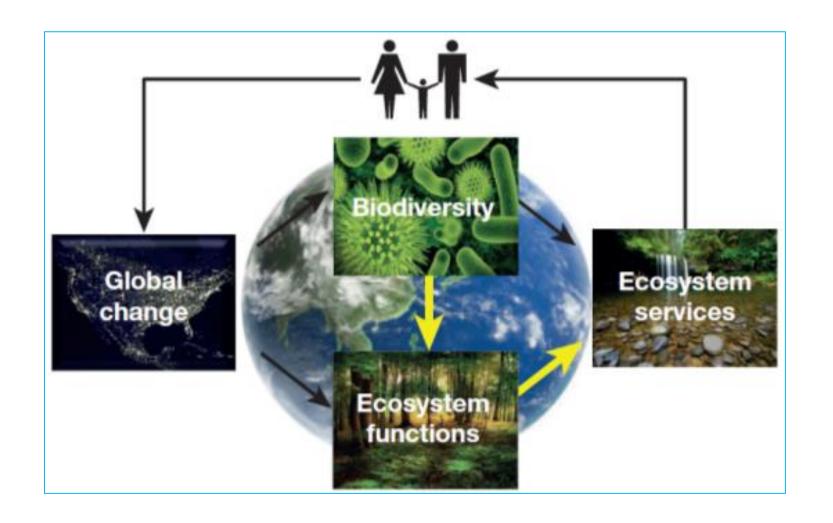


Workshop content and expected outputs

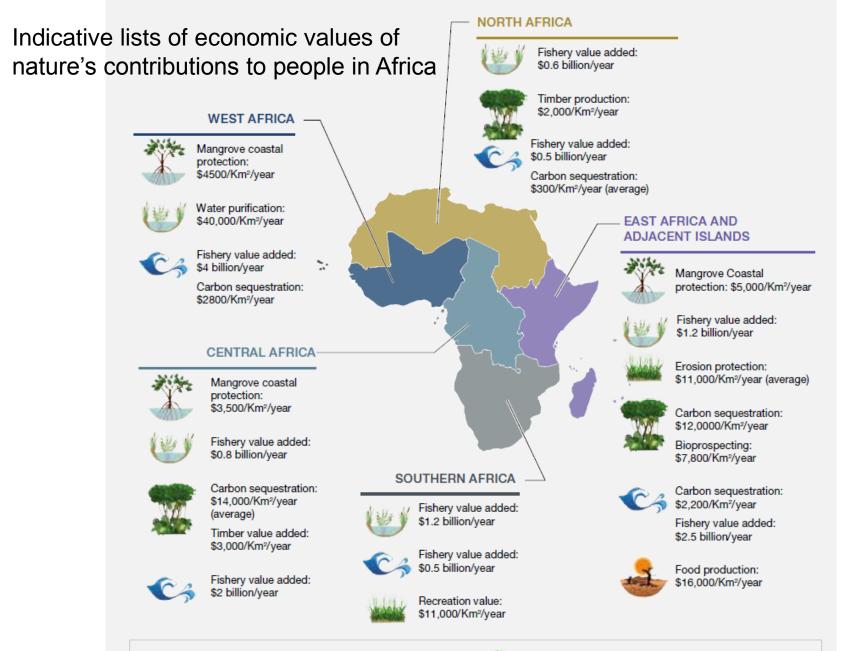
- Presentation of achievements in the framework of EVAMAB in each Biosphere Reserve:
 - Assessment of Ecosystem Services: methods applied and results
 - Practical implications of such assessments: challenges and management/livelihood consequences
 - Presentation of policy briefs and other output produced for each site
- Formulation of common recommendations to the AFRIMAB network (in a manual) through a participative approach
 - Reflection on the ecosystem services approach, the methods used and their relevance for MAB sites and managers
 - Selection of key-results in each site (and potentially other MAB sites) to include as case studies
 - Best practices and perspectives
- The main output would be the manual, to be finalised towards the end of 2019 through electronic exchanges.



Ecosystem Services













Inland surface

waters and

Tropical and subtropical savannas and grasslands





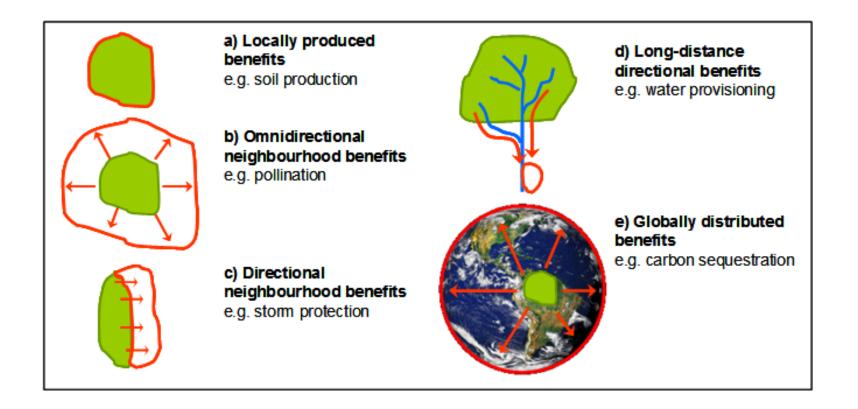




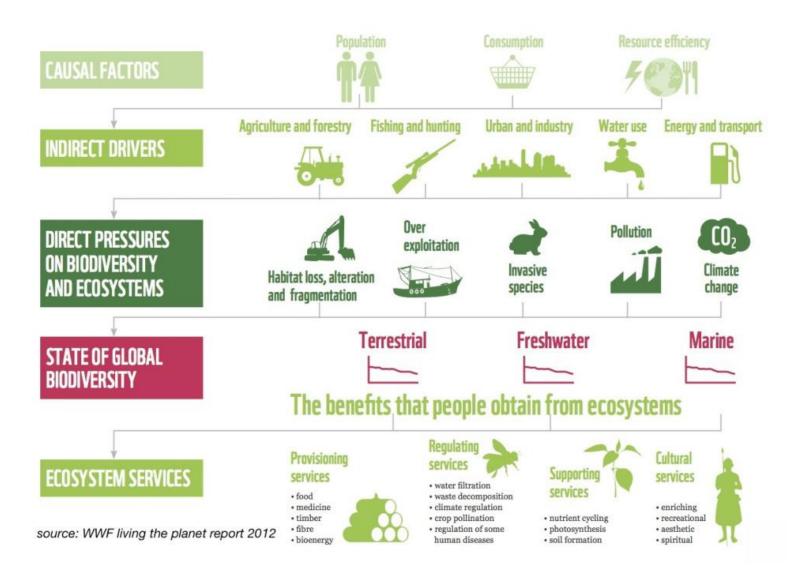
Classification according to the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment (2005)
Source: TEEB

MILLENNIUM ECOSYSTEM ASSESSMENT

Benefits provided by ecosystems can go far beyond the place where they are generated











Royal Belgian Institute for Natural Sciences

The CEBioS programme







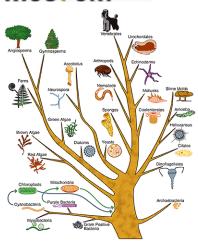
MUSEUM

- 8.000 m² permanent galleries
- 1.000 m² temporary exhibitions
- 430 staff
- 300 000 visitors / year





Research







Training and capacity building

Support to policy

Digitization & Open Access





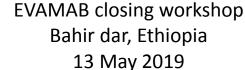
Capacity building programme of the Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences,

funded by

Belgian Development Cooperation



Core task: support to developing countries for biodiversity by means of capacity building interventions





Multilateral, European and National framework:

Convention on the Biological Diversity (Rio: biodiversity, desertification, climate change)

CBD strategic plan for biodiversity 2011-2020, including 20 Aichi biodiversity targets

Nagoya protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS)

EU 2010-2020 Biodiversity strategy

Belgian National Biodiversity Strategy 2020-2025

Facts and figures about CEBioS

- ✓ Core funding by DGD, MD8, 1.3 M Euro /yr
- ✓ External projects with BELSPO, VLIR-UOS
- ✓ Staff: 3 administrative, 8 scientists & many more contributing
- ✓ Results based management
- ✓ Main partner countries: Bénin, RD Congo, Burundi and Vietnam
- ✓ Other countries: Sahel countries, East Africa



What is "capacity building" and "theory of change"?

Spheres of control Final beneficiaries **Modalities** Sphere of influence Policy support North (DGD, NGOs, Enabel, Belspo) Belgium Universities Institutional cooperation South Partners: Local communities **CEBioS Ministries** Civil society Project calls Universities towards Research institutes scientists and authorities Biodiversity, Grants in Belgium (GTI) belspo protected areas Workshops in South Training in Belgium and in South **Publications** Policy-Information-research-awareness

CEBioS programme

4 strategic objectives (2019-2023)

OS 1: Strengthening the scientific community in development countries

OS4: Enhanced synergy between the partners of the Belgian Development cooperation, civil society and the private sector

Developing countries partners

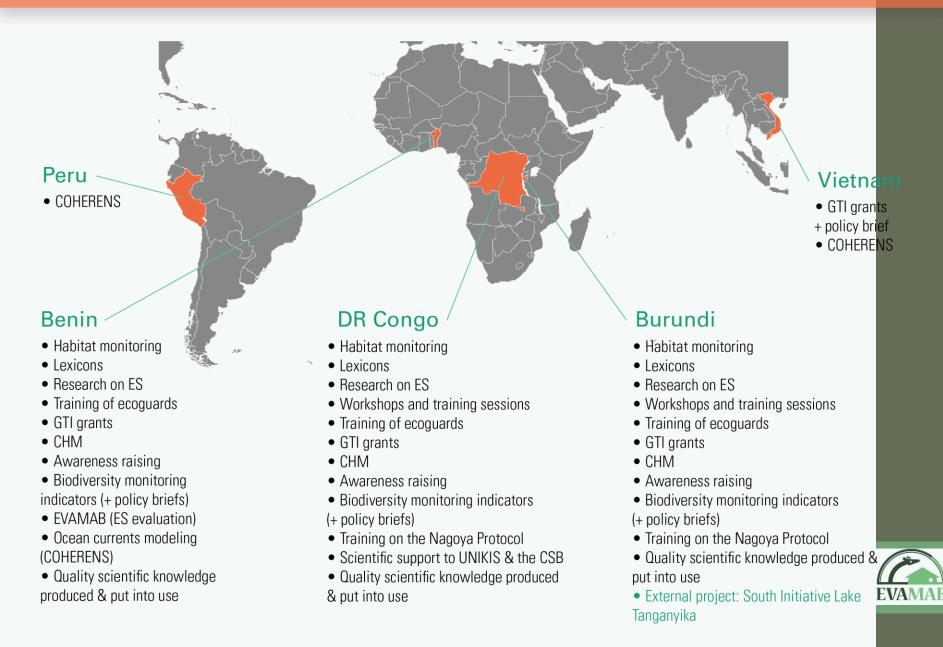
OS 2: Strengthening the national implementing authorities

OS 3: The authorities, decision makers and policymakers develop and implement pertinent policies, strategies and action plans

→ Improve sustainable management and use of ecosystem services to conserve biodiversity and support the livelihood of rural populations through the development of best practices and value chains



CEBIOS ACTIVITIES



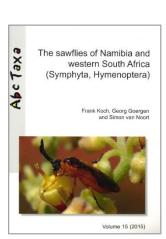


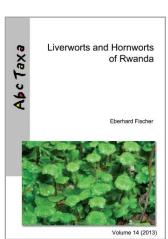


Needs-driven, expertise & collection dependant capacity building:

Knowledge transfer via free publications











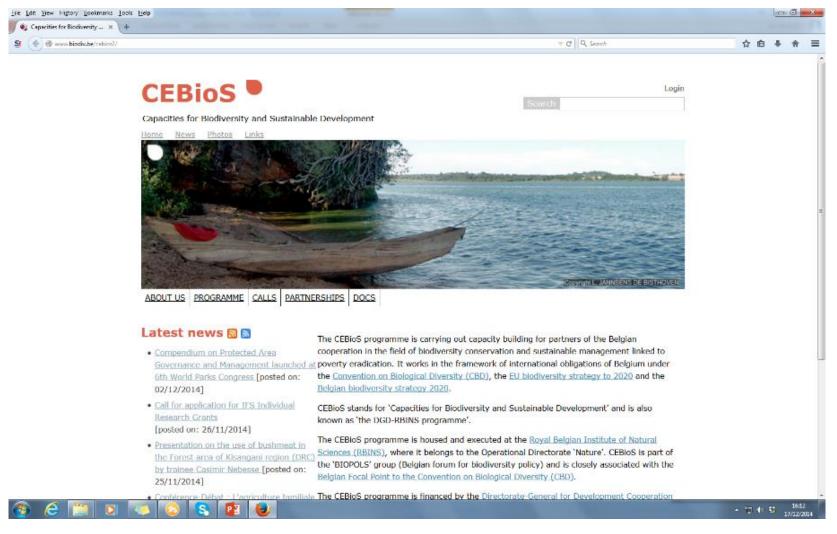
Lexica to explain habitats of protected areas (co-production with local managers and scientists)



Policy briefs to communicate outcomes of projects



http://cebios.naturalsciences.be).







Economic valuation of ecosystem services in Man and Biosphere reserves: testing effective rapid assessment methods in selected African MABs

EVAMAB

Bahir Dar 13th May 2019

















EVAMAB project



Title: Economic valuation of ecosystem services in Man and Biosphere reserves: testing effective rapid assessment methods in selected African MABs

Budget: 250 000 € (funding agency: Belspo)



Duration: 30 months (2017-2019)

Partners:









Fieldwork in collaboration with local partners:





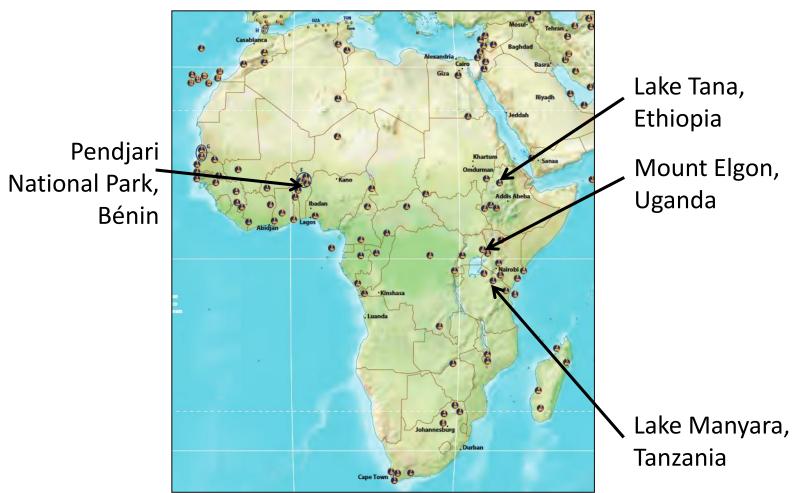






EVAMAB project

Focus on 4 Biosphere Reserves (buffer + transition areas):





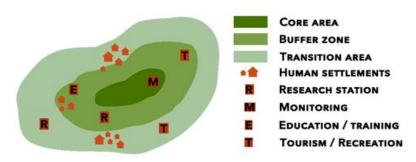
UNESCO MAB: Man and the Biosphere Programme

Biosphere reserves: 'Science for Sustainability support sites'

Combination of scientific knowledge and governance modalities to

- Reduce biodiversity loss
- Improve livelihoods
- Enhance social, economic and cultural conditions for environmental sustainability
- Involvement of local communities
- Participation of all the interested **stakeholders**
- → Planning + management

BIOSPHERE AREA ZONATION





EVAMAB project

General objective:

• To assess the value(s) of priority ecosystem services for a better appreciation of the potential for management and socio-economic integration.

Specific objectives:

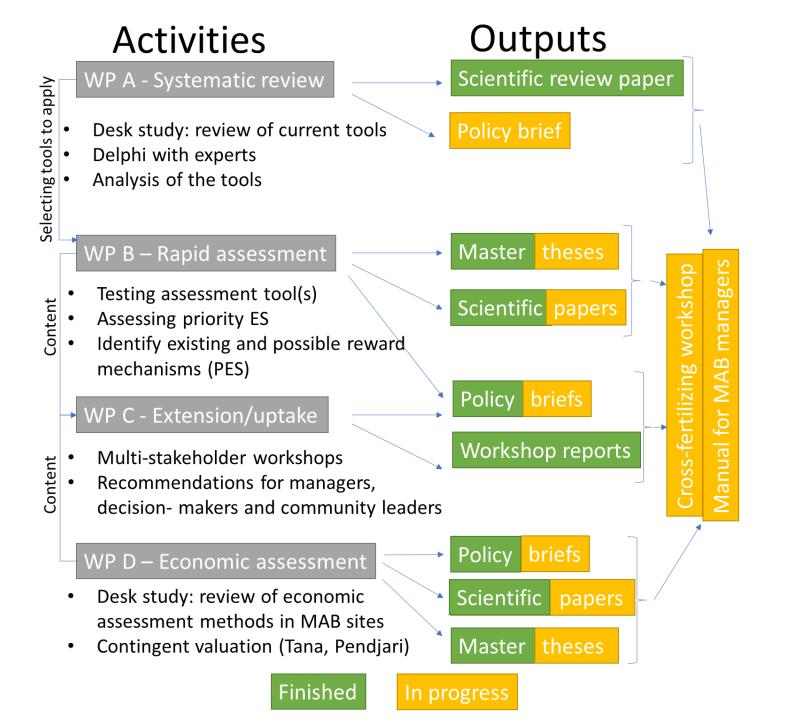
- Tos elect, test and adapt rapid assessment tools
- To formulate pertinent stakeholder engagement and policy advice for managers and decision-makers
 - → e.g. Reward mechanisms, PES: Payment for Ecosystem Services



Work packages

- WP A: literature survey of rapid assessment methods and tools for ecosystem services related to MAB sites
- WP B: rapid assessment of ES in 4 selected MAB sites
- WP C: science-policy interface
- WP D: economic valuation of Ecosystem Services and guidelines for reward mechanisms





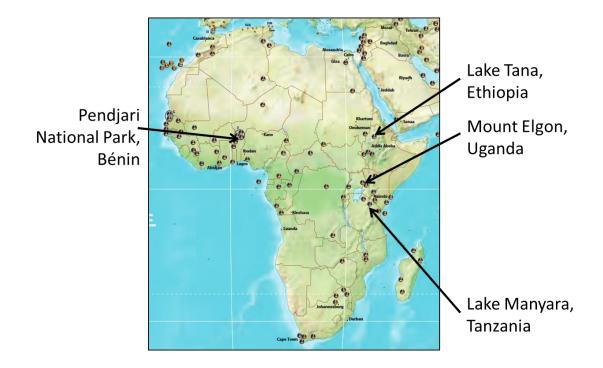


WP A: Rapid assessment tools

- -Review (desk study) of existing tools for assessing ES
- -Analysis and classification of 19 selected tools
- --> Scientific paper
- --> Summary in the MAB manual

WP B: assessment of ES in 4 selected MAB sites

- Testing assessment tool(s)
- Assessing priority ES
- Identify existing and possible reward mechanisms (PES)





WP C: science-policy interface

- Uptake of results by stakeholders
- Recommendations for managers, decision- and policy makers and community leaders

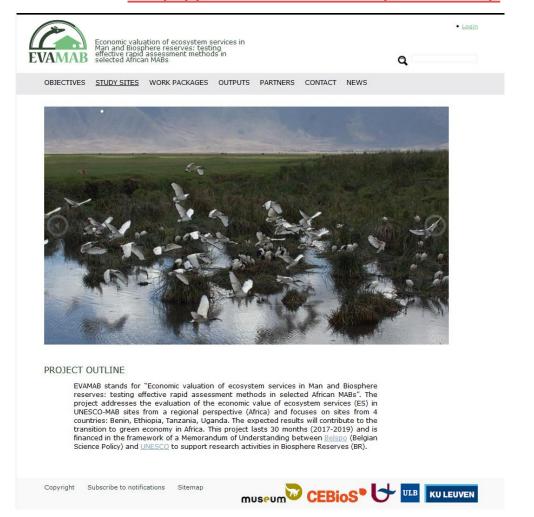
Sharing results with the scientific community

- → Stakeholders workshops
- → Policy briefs
- → Research papers
- → Presentations at conferences
- → EVAMAB website
- → Manual for AfriMAB
- → Cross-fertilizing workshop in Ethiopia



Sharing results

EVAMAB website http://www.biodiv.be/evamab/



WP C: Presentation of the project at conferences and meetings

- AfriMAB meeting 2017 (Nigeria)
- Ecosystem Services Partnership (ESP) regional conference - Africa 2019 (Togo, June 2019) "Management of ES for Nature Conservation and Human Wellbeing in Africa"



- session about "Rapid ecosystem services assessment tools in Africa: where are we now and where are we heading?"
- AfriMAB meeting (Ivory Coast, 2019)
- ESP World Conference 10 (Hanover, 21-25 October 2019)
- CBD COP 2020 (Beijing, November-December 2020)



WP C: scientific publications

Submitted:

- Economic valuation of ecosystem services in African Man and Biosphere Reserves
- Farmers' perspectives on payments for watershed services in Uganda
- Rapid assessment tools for the evaluation of ecosystem services and management options in African Biosphere Reserves: a review

Ongoing:

- Rapid assessment of ecosystem services in African Man & Biosphere Reserves: methodological insights from the field (about nominal group technique, Q methodology and Tessa methodology in different MAB sites/protect areas)
- Integrated social-ecological assessment of Lake Manyara, Tanzania: a mixed methods approach
- Multi criteria Decision analysis to select management options for ecosystem services in Pendjari Biosphere Reserves
- A systematic review of ecosystem services research on the Pendjari Biosphere Reserve: current state and the way forward
- Willingness to contribute for water hyacinth control in Lake Tana, Ethiopia
- DevCo & Carbon payments to realise a bundle of ecosystem services case Mt. Elgon



WP D: Economic valuation of Ecosystem Services and guidelines for reward mechanisms

- Review paper 'Economic valuation of ecosystem services in African Man and Biosphere Reserves'
- More in-depth economic valuation for two sites: Lake Tana and Pendjari
 - Ecosystem valuation: a contingent valuation exercise of the water hyacinth infestation in Lake Tana, Ethiopia
 - Analysing the drivers to invade a protected national park: a case study of Pendjari Biosphere Reserve, Benin
 - Willingness to accept to not invade a protected national park,
 Pendjari Biosphere Reserve, Benin: a contingent valuation study
- Willingness to pay experiments in Lake Tana and Mt. Elgon



Programme of the workshop

Monday May 13, 2019:

Time	Subject	Presenter
14.00	Welcome address by UNESCO	UNESCO Director, Addis Ababa
14.15	Welcome word by the Belgian	Ambassador of Belgium, H.E. Mr.
	embassy	François Dumont
	Opening address Government of	Minister of environment
	Ethiopia	
	Group photo	
14.30	The MAB programme	UNESCO Paris
14.40	Introduction to CEBioS and the	Luc Janssens de Bisthoven (CEBioS)
	EVAMAB project	
Findings	of the EVAMAB project – Part 1	
15.10	Introduction to EVAMAB tools	Anne-Julie Rochette (CEBioS) and Jean
	assessment	Hugé (ULB)
15.40	Evamab results from Lake Tana BR	Daregot Benihun (Bahir Dar
		University), Steven Van Passel
		(UAntwerpen)
16.40	Coffee break	
17.10	UNESCO Film about Lake Tana	
18.00	Reception	



Tuesday May 14, 2019:

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Time	Subject	Presenter	
Findings of the EVAMAB project – Part 2			
9.00	Evamab results from Lake Manyara BR	Noelia Myonga (Lake Manyara NP), Linus Munishi (NMAIST), Luc Janssens de Bisthoven, Anne-Julie Rochette (CEBioS)	
10.00	Coffee break		
10.30	Evamab Results from Pendjari BR	Jean-Didier Akpona, Romain Glèlè Kakaï (UAC), Jean Hugé (ULB), Steven Van Passel (UAntwerpen)	
11.30	Evamab results from Mount Elgon BR	Zerubabeeli Naturinda (Busitema University) Fred Kizza (Mt Elgon BR), Bruno Verbist, Koen Vanderhaegen (KU Leuven)	
12.30	LUNCH		
Ecosystem services and the MAB programme			
13.30	The MAB programme in Ethiopia	Ethiopian MAB National committee	
14.00	Co -investment in ecosystem services: global lessons from payment and incentive schemes	Meine Van Noordwijk (World Agroforestry Center)	
14.30	Canadian BR reserves approach to valuation of ES	Liette Vasseur (Canadian MAB Committee)	
15.00	COBAFISH: research project dealing with ES in MAB Yangambi BR, DRCongo	Erik Verheyen (CEBioS)	
15.30	Coffee break		
16.00	Ecosystem services approach in other Biosphere Reserves	Abena Dufie Wiredu Bremang (Lake Bosomtwe BR, Ghana)	
16.30	Presentation of the Draft Manual on Ecosystem Services for MAB managers	Anne-Julie Rochette (CEBioS), Jean Hugé (ULB)	
16.50	Working Session I: formulating recommendations for the Manual		
17.30	Adjourn	37	

Wednesday May 15, 2019:

Time	Subject
09.00	Working Session II: formulating recommendations for the Manual
10.30	Coffee Break
11.00	Working Session III: formulating recommendations for the Manual
12.30	Lunch
13.30	Working Session IV: formulating recommendations for the Manual
15.00	Coffee Break
15.30	Synthesis of the recommendations for the Manual
17.30	Adjourn

Thursday May 16, 2019:

Field and working visit to Lake Tana Man & Biosphere Reserve

Friday May 17, 2019:

09.30-12.30: Conclusions of the workshop & wrap-up

12.30: Lunch

Evening: first departures of participants

Saturday-Sunday 18-19 May, 2019:

Departures of the participants



Who is participating?

- Ethiopian authorities
- Unesco-Mab
- Scientists
- Mab managers
- Belspo

Ghana, Uganda, Ethiopia, Belgium, Tanzania, Benin, Canada,
 The Netherlands



