



**Informal EU Expert Meeting in preparation to IPBES3 (Bonn, 12-17 January)
Bruxelles, 9 December 2014
10.00 – 18.00**

**Latvian Permanent Representation
Avenue des Arts 23 – Bruxelles**
(At the crossroad of the Avenue des Arts and rue de la Loi – Metro Arts-Loi/Kunst-Wet)

In order to advance in preparation of EU and its Member States to the third session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, the Italian Presidency and the incoming Latvian Presidency organize an informal EU expert meeting to be held in Bruxelles on 9 December 2014.

10.00-10.45 – Introductory session

- Welcome and introduction of the meeting (Latvia)
- Background information from IPBES secretariat (Thomas Koetz)
- Organization of work in preparation of coordinated Positions and Orientation Lines (ITPcy)

10.45-11.30 – Session I – Item 4. Implementation of the work programme 2014–2018

- Introduction by UK
- *Discussion (focus on options for finetuning of the implementation of the work program; options should be investigated in the context of the regional assessments)*

11.30-11.45 – Break

11.45-13.00 – Session II – Item 5c. Initial work programme of the Platform

- Introduction by Cion and PT
- *Discussion (focusing on the regional and global assessments deliverables 2b)*

13.00-14.00 – Session III – Item 7 Rules and procedures for the operation of the Platform

- Introduction by IE (7a) BE (7b) ITPcy (7c-e)
- *Discussion*

14.00-15.00 – Lunch break

15.00-15.30 – Session IV – Item 9 Institutional arrangements: United Nations collaborative partnership arrangements for the work of the Platform and its secretariat

- Introduction by IT Pcy
- *Discussion*

15.30-16.15 – Session V – General Discussion on other Items

16.15-17.30 – Drafting groups

Drafting groups may be convened in order to draft Orientation Lines sections in the light of what discussed in the previous sessions

17.30-18.00 – Conclusions

Wrap-up of the meeting with a view to the WPIEI on the day after in which the outcomes of the meeting will be presented and discussed