

# Become an IPBES fellow!

Invitation to outstanding early-career individuals: Apply to participate as a fellow in the IPBES second global assessment

## The IPBES **fellowship programme**:

- The IPBES fellowship programme provides an opportunity for outstanding early-career individuals from all backgrounds and disciplines working on biodiversity and ecosystem services to fully participate in IPBES assessments.
- Read more about the fellowship programme [here](#), including the benefits of being an IPBES fellow, as well as the selection process and criteria.

## How to apply?

1. Contact your organisation and/or the IPBES national focal point in your country to express your interest in becoming a fellow in the IPBES fellowship programme and ask them to be your nominator
2. Fill out the application form and attach your curriculum vitae through the dedicated web portal (you need to have/create an user account on the IPBES website).

Application form and call for nominations:  
[EM/2025/04](#).

Online [information meeting](#): **12 March 2025**

Application deadline: **28 March 2025**

Nomination deadline: **06 April 2025**

## You should:

- Be an early-career individual, indicatively not older than 35 years of age and preferably not more than 5-7 years after having completed your academic degree.
- Have multidisciplinary or interdisciplinary background relevant to the second global assessment in one or more disciplines within natural science, social science or humanities, and/or be an indigenous and local knowledge expert or have expertise in indigenous and local knowledge systems.

## Commitments - You should ensure that you:

- Are able to make a commitment of 15 % of your time in the assessment period.
- Have discussed your application and have it approved by your organization/institution before applying.
- Are available to attend meetings and training workshops throughout the assessment period.

## IPBES second global assessment

The overall objective of the second global assessment is to assess relevant knowledge that has become available since the publication in 2019 of The Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and to assess progress towards achieving the goals of sustainability and living in harmony with nature.

## What is **IPBES**?

The Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) is an independent body established in 2012 with 147 members. IPBES provides policymakers with objective scientific assessments about the state of knowledge regarding:

- The planet's biodiversity, ecosystems and their contributions to people
- Tools & methods to protect and sustainably use these vital natural assets.

