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Webinar series on "Science-based targets for biodiversity"

Webinar 2: "Allocation – How to share the efforts between various actors of society to achieve global goals on biodiversity"



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environment programme

2 April 15.30-17.00 CET

Welcome & opening

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'Biodiversity science based targets for business & finance'

Webinar 1: 24 March - State of play Allocation Webinar 2: 2 April Webinar 3: 16 April – Measurement

Register, information, recording and final slides (after 2 April): https://next-ma.eu/landing/eubiodiversity







Summary of Webinar 1

- Introduction to Science Based Targets Network (SBTN) and SBTs for biodiversity
- Links between Science Based Targets for biodiversity and global goals
- The finance need for SBTs
- Business experiences with defining boundaries and safe operating space





Agenda webinar 2 - Allocation – How to share the efforts between various actors of society to achieve global goals on biodiversity

- Part 1 Welcome & opening 15:30 - 16:00
- Part 2 Sharing experiences of applying allocation 16:00 - 16:25methods
- Part 3: Group discussion on allocation 16:25 - 16:55
- 16:55 17:00Workshop close







Part 1 – Welcome & opening









Introduction to translational science and allocation methods – possible options for use in setting Science Based Targets for Nature

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Science Based Targets Network: **Translation Approaches**

Introduction to SBTs for Nature

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The Science Based Targets Network is part of the Global Commons Alliance, a network of organizations, businesses and governments aiming to positively transform the world's economic systems and protect the global commons.



Power of collaboration and consensus





SBTs mean doing enough to maintain Earth's Life Support Systems -- upon which all life depends, and upon which the economy is based.

Our research shows that \$44 trillion of economic value generation – over half the world's total GDP – is moderately or highly dependent on nature and its services.

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What is the equivalent of 1.5 °C for nature?



A global goal for nature and people

Restoring nature for human prosperity and equity, avoiding the climate and ecological crises, and providing a healthy planet for future generations



Zero Net Loss of Nature from 2020

Net Positive by 2030

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Full Recovery by 2050

Translating this goal to actors ... (NOT just allocation!)





Allocation must account for local environmental conditions & stakeholder interests

DRAFT prototype methods for translation

We are working on three prototype approaches for translating this global goal for nature into actionable targets for cities and companies:

> 1. Footprinting approach 2. Place-based approach 3. Safe operating space & sector approach



1. Footprinting approach



Companies or cities calculate their footprint across places, and use this to first avoid loss; second to reduce their impact to the extent possible in places of their choice; and then contribute (via protection/regeneration) in an amount relative to their overall footprint.

2. A place-based approach



Companies or cities identify their overall impact (in terms of scale, and location) and then focus their efforts in a number of key places (landscapes, seascapes, or basins) where allocation is performed by a stakeholderdriven process.

3. A safe operating space & sector based approach



Blending elements of the other two approaches in which actors' responsibilities are based on the baseline historical impact of each sector and downscaled targets for each place.

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Summary: Translation Prototypes (DRAFT)

- Translation of global goals consists of three components:
 - **Downscaling** global state goals to regional/scape state targets ٠
 - **Prioritization**/materiality rules that guide action to highest priority areas ٠
 - **Allocation** approaches that share mitigation/restoration burden in a landscape/region •
- This is equal parts science and ethics! ٠
- Applying global allocation rules to local pressures/issues should be done with care given both science • and ethics
- Prototype methods being discussed are incomplete but offer glimpses into potential solutions for translating global goals



Equity principles in allocation: a case study using planetary boundaries thinking

Mark van Oorschot, Senior Researcher International Biodiversity Policies, PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency

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Translating planetary boundaries to national budgets

Consequences of different perspectives and choices on distributive fairness

Mark van Oorschot – on behalf of Paul Lucas, Harry Wilting, Andries Hof & Detlef van Vuuren

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PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency

Government organisation Strategic policy analysis Bridge science-to-policy Improve political decision-making



PBL study on translation and allocation

- > Systematic analysis using 3 dimensions
 - BIOPHYSICAL: Global targets based on planetary boundaries \rightarrow 'resource' budgets
 - SOCIO-ECONOMIC: Consumption-based perspective \rightarrow environmental footprints
 - ETHICAL: Principles for allocation \rightarrow political choices on burden sharing
- > Focus on drivers: climate, land-use, nutrients and biodiversity



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Häyhä T et al. (2016). Global Environ. Change 40: 60-72.



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"Bending the trend" of biodiversity loss

Scenarios show further biodiversity loss

Proposed indicators for a multi-dimensional concept

- Species extinction risk (Red List)
- Population abundance (LPI)
- Ecosystem integrity (BII)

(Mace et al 2018)



Fig. 1 | Biodiversity declines have continued despite repeated policy commitments aimed at slowing or halting the rate of loss. The Strategic Plan for the Convention on Biological Diversity (2010-2020)



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Ten Brink et al, 2006, Alkemade et al 2007

BIOPHYSICAL: MSA indicator metric

- Mean Species Abundance (MSA) > of originally occurring species
 - Relates to ecosystem integrity (BII)
- Comparing species' populations of > undisturbed natural ecosystems with human-disturbed ecosystems
 - Natural reference as benchmark
- Dimensions and unit:
 - Relative index (0 1)
 - Quality weighted areas (MSA* km2)
 - Can be coupled to footprints

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BIOPHYSICAL: Biodiversity PB-translation exercise

- Steffen et al 205 >
 - … tentatively proposed a 90% BII level
 - ... this translates into 72% MSA
 - ... giving a global MSA use-budget
- Many scientific uncertainties >
 - Existence of global thresholds
 - Boundary levels (global tipping points)



Steffen et al. (2015). Science

Lucas et al. (Submitted)

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)	Below boundary (safe)	
)	Boundary not yet quantified	



SOCIO-ECONOMIC Trade, footprints and biodiversity impacts



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Wilting and van Oorschot 2017





SOCIO-ECONOMIC Footprint of consumption or production

- > Local environmental impacts have global causes footprint
- Shared responsibility for producer and consumer countries

VS.

Company footprints and supply-chain responsibility

Consumption-based

Environmental impact is Consumer's responsibility

Captures impact occurring **beyond national territory**

Production-based

Environmental impact is Producer's responsibility

Accounts for impact for national consumption and export

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BIOPHYSICAL: selected PB processes, control variables and global budgets in this study

Planetary		Control variable	Budget	Unit	Global	Global
boundary					budget	pressure
						(2010)
Climate change		CO ₂ emissions	Cumulative	GtCO ₂	570 (7.0) ¹	30.6
Biogeochemical	Ν	Intentional N fixation	Annual	Tg N	62	121
flows	Ρ	P fertiliser use	Annual	Tg P	6.2	16
Land-use change		Cropland use	Annual	mln ha	1946	1424
Biodiversity loss		MSA loss	Annual	mIn MSA-loss ha	3633	5327 ²

¹ The number between brackets is the annualized budget;

 2 The MSA footprint indicator is measured as mln MSA-loss $ha \cdot yr$



ETHICAL / POLITICAL 'Fair' distribution and allocation of global budgets

- Responsibility historic problem contribution
 - Grandfathering (*sovereignty*): allocation based on country share in global environmental pressure
- Resource sharing allocation of global budget
 - Equal per-capita allocation (*equality*): allocation based on country share in global population
- Burden sharing allocation of global reduction targets
 - Ability to pay (*capability*): reduction based on GDP/cap relative to global average GDP/cap

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Results Dutch case-study Environmental drivers of biodiversity loss higher than allocated planetary budgets



Index (global per capita planetary boundary = 1)

Source: PBL

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Lucas and Wilting 2018



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Current footprints of several large countries higher than allocated planetary boundaries



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Lucas et al. (Submitted)



Preliminary conclusions

- Providing scientific insights in 'fair' contributions to global challenges >
 - Scenarios show required system change
 - There is no single set of national 'fair' shares
 - Large spread in results due to different allocation principles
 - Western countries are not living within the global 'Safe Operating Space'
- > Further operationalization of the budgets at national levels
 - Dialogue between policymakers, business and finance
 - Setting climate change targets as an example
 - GLOBAL top-down versus LOCAL bottom-up approach _
 - Track progress: "Biodiversity Gap" Report and National Determined Contributions



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Thank you! Any questions?

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Q&A

On Part 1 – Welcome & opening







Part 2 – Sharing experiences of applying allocation methods







Gaps and obstacles in allocating efforts for biodiversity to business – Lessons from the B4B+ Club

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The CBD objectives for biodiversity can be translated into company targets through a biodiversity budget





Environmental pressures Assess





Workshop on allocation run with ~35 corporates and financial institutions in October 2019









Allocation mechanisms - examples

Allocation system	Examples
Sovereignty	Grandfathering: Allocation of budget according to past share global environment pressure
Equality	Immediate per capita convergence: Allocation of budget acc the share in global population
Capability	Ability to pay: Allocation of budget according to GDP per cap
Efficiency	Resource efficiency: Allocation of reductions to where the la efficiency gains can be expected

Inspired from Lucas and Wilting (2018)	SBTi	Ozone layer case
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Allocation system	Examples
Convergence - sector	Convergence of the carbon intensity of the company towards its industry
Absolute emission contraction	Reduction of emissions towards an absolute industry target eq.
Contraction - emission intensity	Decrease towards a sectoral carbon intensity target
Differentiation (delay)	Different reduction target dates by country

Inspired from Lucas and SBTi Wilting (2018)	Ozone layer case
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Allocation system	Application with biodiversity: reduction of impact depend on
Sovereignty	of the company's dynamic annual impact
Equality	corporate taxes paid by the company? the number of employees in the company? of the remaining MSA, i.e. of the static impact of the company (100 MSA remaining)?
Capability	of sales? profit?
Efficiency	the cost of possible biodiversity gains (or reductions in loss)
Convergence - sector	Convergence of the carbon intensity of the company towards that of it industry
Emission contraction (absolute or intensity)	Decrease towards a sectoral carbon (intensity or absolute) target









- Q1 (first quartile): 25% of companies have sales below this value
- Median: 50% of companies have lower sales and 50% sales higher than this value
- Q3 (third quartile): 25% of companies have sales higher than this value

Company A has relatively high sales compared to the others (but not in the 25% of the highest turnover)











Results with different company profiles

Contribution to the objective of slowing down the biodiversity impact			Limited	4	Average	Importa	ant	Very impor
Allocation system	Company A Food processing	Cor Perso	npany B onal services		Company C Energy - electricity production		Co Fina	mpany ^{nce}
Sovereignty	Grandfathering							











Results with different company profiles

Contribution to the objective of slowing down the biodiversity impact	Limited	Average	Important	
Impact				

Allocation system	Company A Food processing	Company B Personal services	Company C Energy - electricity production	Company I Finance
Efficiency	Avoidance / restoration costs: 10€/MSA.m2	Avoidance / restoration costs: 1€/MSA.m2	Avoidance / restoration costs: 50€/MSA.m2	Avoidance / restoration co <1€/MSA.m2
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	<1 €/m2 1 €/m2	10 €/m2		50 €/m2













- Possibility of transposing an international biodiversity objective into corporate objectives
- Need to first adopt a scenario and therefore a biodiversity trajectory and budget
- Different mechanisms for distributing effort
- The same relative effort (e.g. -30%) results in different absolute efforts







Key questions to apply the allocation approaches to businesses



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Application to one company

No net loss by 2030 in the area and integrity of freshwater, marine and terrestrial ecosystems, and increases of at least 20% by 2050, ensuring ecosystem resilience

→ NNL of MSA.m² by 2030 and net gains of +20% MSA.m² at global level between 2030 and 2050, i.e. +1%/year (i.e. x4 current rate but as gains)

+ Grandfathering & "same effort" every year +

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GBS tool to measure impacts



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Diagram based on: One Planut Approaches: Methodology Mapping and Pathways Reward, Matabolic, WWF & KJCH 201





Application to one company



NNL of MSA.m² by 2030 Net gains 4 times higher than the 2020 net loss between 2030 and 2050

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Dynamic impact (MSA.km ²)	-100	-90	-80	 0	+40 0	+40 0	 4



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Corporate perspective: The beginning of a biodiversity journey

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The beginning of a biodiversity journey

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One Planet A sense of emergency

Climate change & Earth Overshoot Day



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Unbearable Trend

More energy consumed by 2100 vs 1900



Energy Efficiency

Savings Electrification Decarbonization

Efficiency for a Sustainable Future

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Process Efficiency

Sustainability Asset Performance Productivity Efficiency



Biodiversity science cannot be ignored any longer

...but the level of complexity could be a deterrent. Qualitative approach is no longer enough

Biodiversity: 3 levels

Ecosystems



Species



Individuals (genetic)



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What industries need

Concrete & simplified approach: Measure /

Assess / Allocate

Define a **quantitative** strategy, with actionable targets to avoid, reduce,

Track the progress, manage results and transform business &

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GBS, an opportunity to measure and act at global level

From qualitative and punctual to quantitative and holistic (although not exhaustive)







- The **Global biodiversity score**: measuring our global biodiversity footprint – an essential first step, with some shortcomings
- As of now, it is impossible to **spatialize** the impacts of our full value chain (50,000+ suppliers). However, better data is available on operational scope
- **Trade-off** between fast development allowing • snowball effect and scientific approach allowing more precision







The ambition is to align with "no net loss trajectory"

If MSA.m² could be biodiversity's CO₂e, what is its 1.5°C trajectory equivalent?





CBD Post 2020 agenda **DRAFT - Overarching goals for 2050**

a. No net loss by 2030 in the area and integrity of freshwater, marine and terrestrial ecosystems, and increases of at least 20% by 2050, ensuring ecosystem resilience

b. The percentage of species threatened with extinction is reduced by X% and the abundance of species has increased on average by X% by 2030 and by X% by 2050

. Genetic diversity is 1) maintained or enhanced on average by 2030, and for 90% of species by 2050

Nature provides benefits to people contributing to:

- Improvements in nutrition...
- Improvements in sustainable access to safe and drinkable water...
- Improvements in resilience to natural disasters...
- At least 30% of efforts to achieve the targets of the Paris Agreement in 2030 and 2050

e. The benefits, shared fairly and equitably, from the use of genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge have increased by X by 2030 and reached X by 2050

Schneider Electric has already validated carbon targets to align with "1,5°C trajectory".

We shouldn't be any less ambitious when it comes to biodiversity.

What do we (corporates) need?

- The possibility to align with a simple, unifying and international goal, like no net loss
- **Start acting now,** even though science based targets are not fully ready / mature
- Take strategic decisions at global level, but act locally

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Q&A

On Part 2 – Sharing experiences of applying allocation methods







Part 3 – Group discussion on allocation









Each breakout group to discuss one allocation method (if possible), focusing on the following questions:

- 1. What are the obstacles in applying this allocation method?
- 2. How concretely could allocation methods be applied? Do you have concrete examples of implementing an allocation methodology and what methodological issues remain to be agreed upon?
- 3. Does this allocation method fit with a corporate or financial institution's way of working?

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Closing remarks

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