Have you been wondering how working with Ecosystem Services can generate more public support or funding for your protected area(s)? So did we.

The combined Eurosite and Europarc Federation working group is organising this workshop to present examples where ecosystem services are delivering public support or funding for protected areas. Through a series of moderated work sessions participants will reflect on how to make this work for their own situation.

Who should attend?

Site managers of nature reserves, decision makers at the head office of site managing organisations

How will you benefit?

- Receive practical examples of where the ecosystem services concept has been successfully applied
- Practice with a step by step approach to operationalise ES either at site or strategic level in your organisation
- Exchange experiences with other who are sharing your aims and are facing similar difficulties
**Where?**

The Netherlands, Amsterdam (close to Schiphol airport). Address: SBB office of Staatsbosbeheer Naritaweg 221 Amsterdam.

**Cost & registration**

There are no costs for attending the meeting, lunch and dinner will be provided. However, no funding for travel or subsistence costs is available. The average costs for a hotel are approx. € 90/night. For further inquiries or confirmation of your participation (untill 1st of June!), contact Hans Schiphorst, the chair of the working group: 

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**The program**

*Day 1: 24th June*

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00- 13:15 Introduction to the program and topic of the workshop

13:15 – 14:00 Interactive session on experience so far & expectations for workshop

**Session 1: Good examples of ES at strategic level at site level**

14:00-15:00 Examples will be presented from strategic as well as site level in which ecosystem services work. Focus will be on examples in the fields of drinking water, carbon sequestration and flood protection.

Break

**Session 2: Analysing the situation**

15:30 – 18:00 Work session 1

In a step by step approach you will analyse your situation by identifying your aim (funding/ PR), the relevant services and the bottlenecks experiences for using the services (why did it not work?)

20:00 Start of the evening excursion including dinner

*Day 2: 25th of June*

9:00 – 11:00 Parallel sessions: Looking for solutions

Based on the situation analysis of day 1 different solutions and steps to take to make ecosystem services work for your organisation will be identified. Which steps can you take?

11:00- 11:20 Break

11:20-12:00 Feedback to organisers & farewell

Lunch is available