Newsletter - January 2016

Dear ESTG members,

we will first start this new year by wishing you all the best of health, happiness and success for 2016!

Below please find information on the following issues:

- 1. IUCN Word Conservation Congress (September 2016)
- 2. Upcoming ESP regional conferences
- 3. Invitation to IPBES Stakeholder Days, 20-21 February 2016 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

We are using this platform to promote and share information with other ESTG members, about relevant events or publications that you are involved with, so please don't hesitate to <u>send us your publications or any other relevant news</u> to be added to the next newsletter (to: minacs@gmail.com)

With kind regards,

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1. Upcoming IUCN Congress

The next IUCN World Conservation Congress will take place between September 1-10th, in the Hawai i Convention Center, in the Hawaiian capital, Honolulu. This event brings together several thousand leaders and decision-makers from government, civil society, indigenous peoples, business, and academia, with the goal of conserving the environment and harnessing the solutions nature offers to global challenges. You can find all the relevant information in the following link:

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2. Upcoming ESP regional conferences

The Ecosystem Services Partnership (www.es-partnership.org) will organise several regionals conferences in 2016 focussing on the use of the ecosystem services concept in policy and practice to find 'nature-based solutions', for pressing environmental and socio-economic problems. The Asian Conference will take place in South Korea (30 May-3 June), The European in Antwerp, Belgium (19-23 September), the Latin American in Brazil or Columbia (14-18 November), the African will be in Kenya (21-25 November) and the North American will take place in Florida, USA, together with ACES (5-9 December). See http://www.es

governments and experts working together through IPBES to address these issues? How can you contribute as an individual or organisation to the IPBES process enriching assessment outcomes and implementing recommendations? These and many similar questions will be discussed during the Stakeholder Days.

A separate registration process, from the IPBES Plenary, is required to attend the Stakeholder Days. Stakeholders – including countries delegates -