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Abstract

1. Introduction

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2. Defining payments for ecosystem services

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Box 1 – Types of ecosystem services

Category of ecosystem service	Examples of ecosystem services	Functional type of ecosystem service (according to MEA classi - cation)	Spatial boundedness of ecosystem service bene ciaries		
			Local	Regional	Global

Financial arrangements for sellers:

- **Direct compensation or payment:**
- **Investment or development fund:**

Financial arrangements for buyers:

- **Customer-charged payments:**
- **Lump-sum contributions:**
- **Tax-based contributions:**

3. Payment for ecosystem services in practice

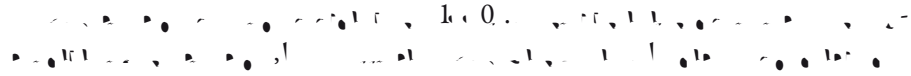
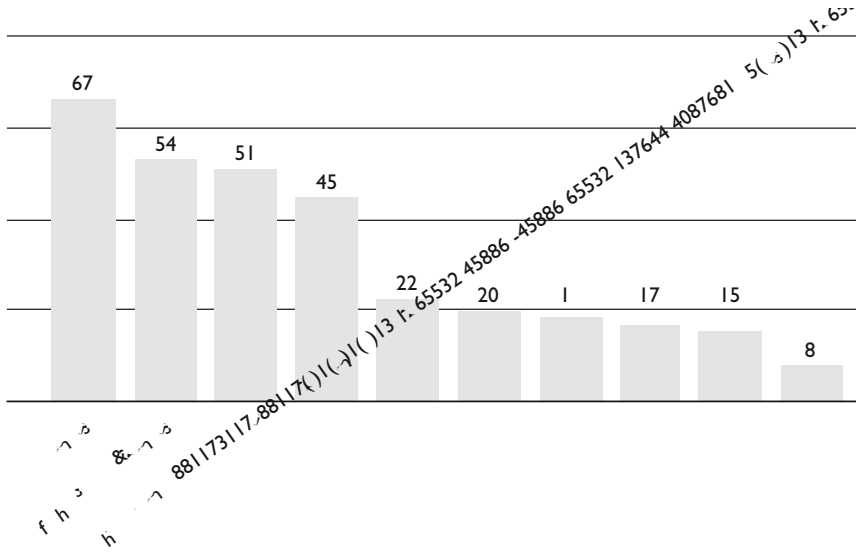


Figure 2. Ecosystem service types dealt with in references regarding ecosystem service type included in literature review

(N=167 ecosystem service specific references)

Figure 3. Ecosystems in which PES experiences are reported in ecosystem-specific references included in literature review (N=157 ecosystem specific references)



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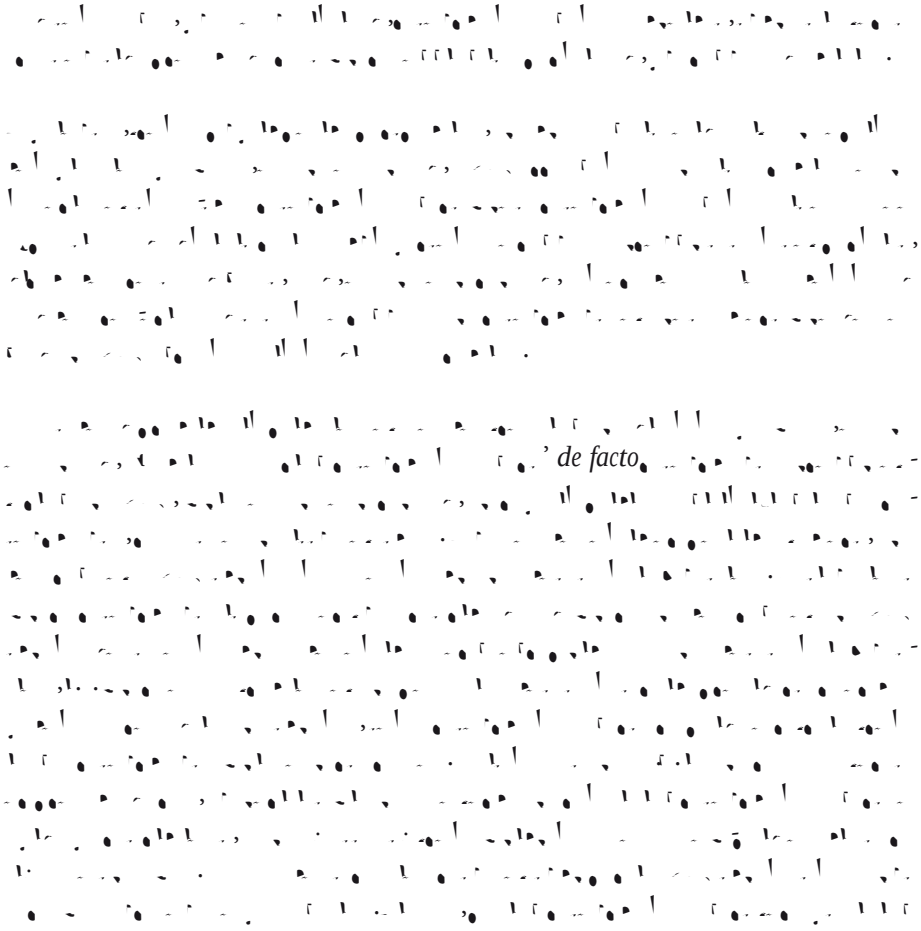
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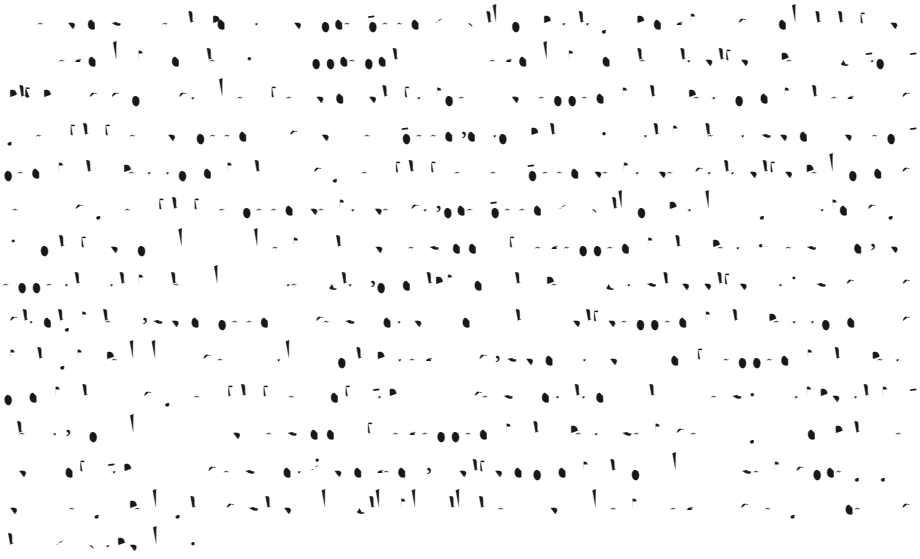

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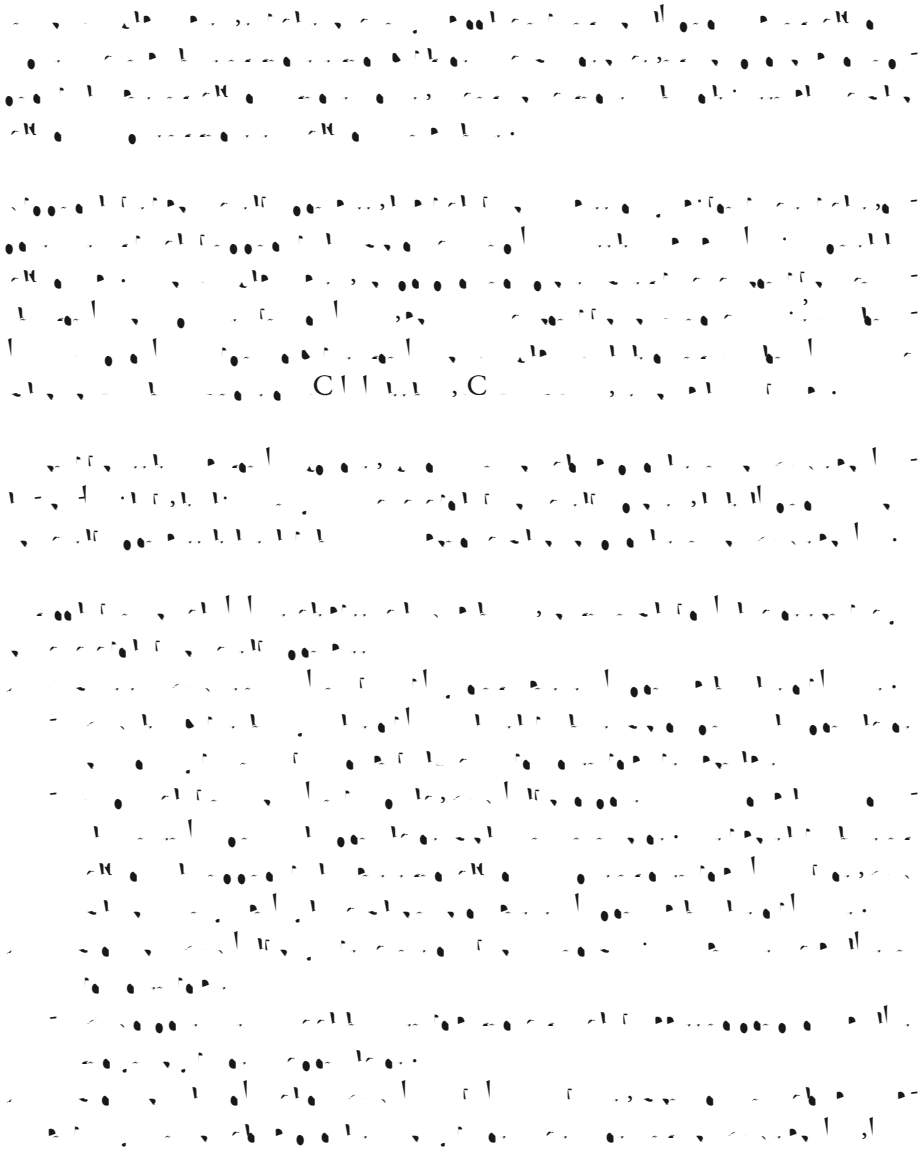

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