

TITLE	Leveraging the diverse values of nature for transformative change (session 6)
DESCRIPTION OF THE SESSION	Transformative change needed to address the global biodiversity crisis requires the recognition and incorporation of nature's diverse values – instrumental, relational and intrinsic - into everyday decision-making (e.g. political, sociocultural, economic). In this session we will delve into how these values can be harnessed to address biodiversity loss, foster sustainable development, and promote environmental justice in governance. We will explore and debate innovative strategies for embedding nature's diverse values in policy, business, and community practices, drawing from real-world examples of success and cross-sector inspiration and collaboration. Key themes include: • Integrating nature's diverse values into policy and governance (e.g. exploring strategies to account for a wider range of nature's values in national and international policies) • Embedding natural capital in economic systems (e.g. discussing tools like Natural Capital Accounting or Inclusive Wealth Index which can guide business and government decisions toward sustainability, while acknowledging the limitations of these tools for achieving system-wide transformation) • Mobilizing relational values of nature for restoration and conservation (e.g. presenting recent trends in social and psychological science, and exploring their potential for impact on sustainability) • Empowering indigenous and local knowledge (e.g. discussing strategies for integrating diverse worldviews into modern conservation efforts, which also promote environmental justice and safeguarding the rights of local communities) During the session we will have invited expert speakers on the four session themes, and a world café to facilitate interactive discussions addressing the following questions: 1) Which value dimensions are targeted by a given solution (i.e. the session themes)? 2) What are best practices or innovative strategies? 3) What is the potential policy uptake and/or limitations?
KEYWORDS	nature's values; natural capital; worldviews

DURATION	2 ½ hours (half-day session)
SESSION FORMAT	During the session we will have invited expert speakers for each of the four session themes, and a world café. The world café format facilitates interactive small-group discussions in rotating stations on the specific session themes. We also accept posters for this session. Output: contribution to conference statement.
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