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Message from the IPSI Director

The International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI) will soon celebrate 15 years since its establishment on 19 October 2010 at the 10th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity held in Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture, Japan. Decision X/32 Sustainable Use of Biodiversity mentions IPSI as “one mechanism to carry out activities identified by the Satoyama Initiative including collecting and analysing case studies, distilling lessons, and promoting research on different practices of sustainable use of biological resources, as well as increasing awareness and supporting on-the-ground projects and activities in human-influenced natural environments”. From its 51 founding members, IPSI has grown to 333 as of March 2025 and continues to expand. Members are actively working towards achieving a society in harmony with nature.

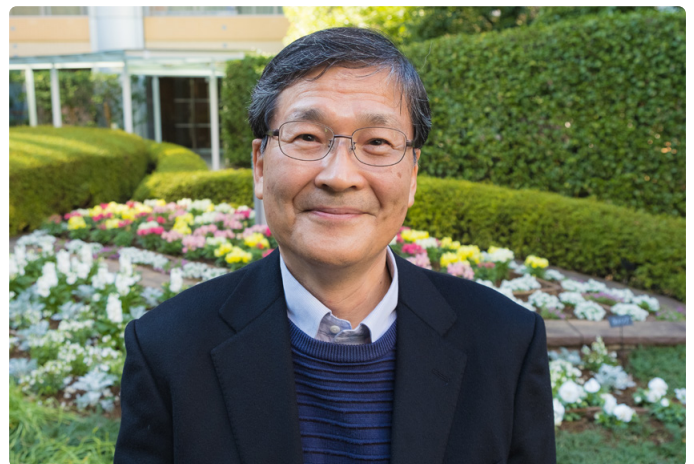
The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF) sets ambitious targets for halting biodiversity loss and restoring ecosystems, but its success depends on effective, inclusive and locally grounded implementation efforts. Therefore, in this critical time of implementation on biodiversity conservation and sustainable development, IPSI Secretariat is working with members and partners in accelerating actions towards achieving the IPSI Strategy and Plan of Action 2023–2030 through the development of Actionable Implementation Plan.

Throughout the year, IPSI remained actively engaged on the global stage, participating in the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) and the meetings of the three Rio Conventions: the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and UN Convention on Combating Desertification (UNCCD). We remained committed to advancing the principles of the Satoyama Initiative, making meaningful contributions to key dialogues and global discussions while promoting landscape approaches.

Strengthening the knowledge base, the publication of the ninth volume of the Satoyama Initiative Thematic Review in February 2025 highlighted the reciprocal connections between business and biodiversity, and identified challenges and opportunities for promoting more sustainable businesses while safeguarding biodiversity and ecosystems.

None of our achievements would have been possible without the unwavering support of our member organizations and partners. We extend our sincerest gratitude to all of you for your dedication, collaboration and tireless efforts. We are deeply grateful to the Ministry of the Environment, Government of Japan (MOEJ), for its continuous financial support, which allows us to sustain our core activities and fulfill our mission towards achieving a society living in harmony with nature.

Looking ahead, our shared journey continues with renewed purpose and collective strength. By fostering collaboration, innovation and respect for nature, we can shape landscapes that support both thriving ecosystems and vibrant communities. IPSI remains committed to this path — where people and nature coexist and flourish for a more sustainable future.



Dr. Tsunao Watanabe

Director

Secretariat of the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative



Overview

In the fiscal year April 2024–March 2025, the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI) marked fourteen years of operation since its launch in October 2010. During this period, the network has witnessed substantial growth in membership, totalling 333 organizations around the world in pursuit of the Satoyama Initiative’s vision of “societies in harmony with nature”. This year’s highlights were the active participation and visibility of IPSI in the Conference of Parties to the three Rio Conventions, and entering a key phase of implementation of the IPSI Strategy and Plan of Action (IPSI PoA) 2023–2030.

Throughout the year, IPSI organized and participated in events of global significance, including side events at the 2024 UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), the sixteenth Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD COP16), the twenty-ninth COP to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC COP29) and the sixteenth COP to the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD COP16). IPSI organized the IPSI Case Study Workshop 2024 in June 2024 as part of the publication process of the Satoyama Initiative Thematic Review (SITR) volume 10, and took part in the International Forum for Sustainable Asia and the Pacific (ISAP) 2024 Thematic Track Session. An online workshop provided guidance on using the “2024 Edition of the Indicators of Resilience in Socio-ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)”. An event and exhibit booth at the Yokohama Biodiversity Festival in August 2024 promoted IPSI and the concept of Satoyama Initiative to the public.

The ninth volume of the SITR on “Business and Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)” was published in February 2025, highlighting challenges and opportunities for promoting sustainable businesses while safeguarding biodiversity and ecosystems.

Following an open call to IPSI members for co-hosting proposals, the Tenth Global Conference of IPSI (IPSI-10) will be co-hosted by the University of Georgia (UGA) and Escuela Superior Politécnica De Chimborazo (ESPOCH). It will be held at the ESPOCH campus in Riobamba, Ecuador and online on 3–5 March 2026. The conference will be organized by the IPSI Secretariat, the United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS), the co-hosts and the Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ). A key agenda item will be the adoption of the Actionable Implementation Plan for the IPSI PoA 2023–2030.

The IPSI website underwent significant updates, including a move to a new domain (satoyamainitiative.org) in February 2025 and a transition to a new newsletter platform.

As always, the IPSI Secretariat at UNU-IAS in Tokyo, Japan extends its sincere thanks to all IPSI member organizations and everyone who has contributed to the continued success of the partnership. We particularly appreciate MOEJ for its financial support for IPSI’s core activities.



Partnership

IPSI welcomed 19 new members, bringing the total number of member organizations to 333 as of March 2025. We are proud to see IPSI's representation continue to grow globally. IPSI is committed to strengthening and expanding its membership, with a particular focus on underrepresented organizations like Indigenous Peoples, local communities and the private sector.

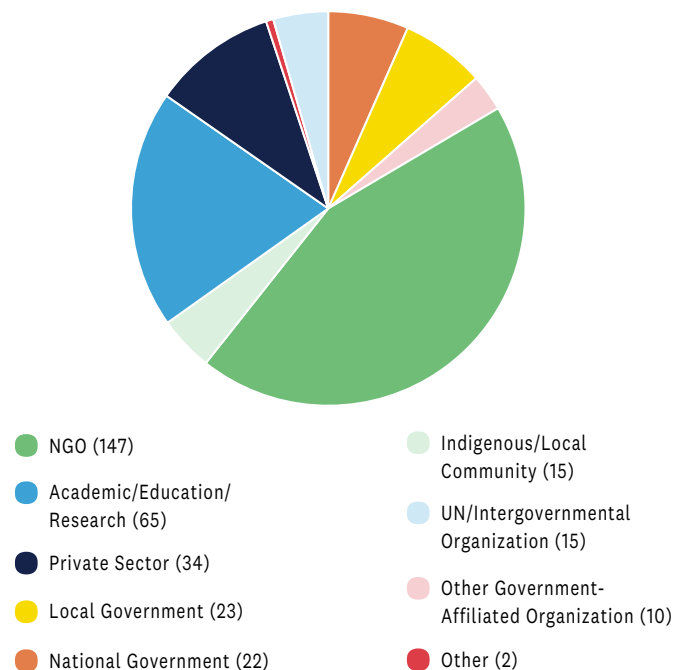
These new members bring diverse expertise and perspectives to IPSI, enriching our global network and advancing our shared goals of promoting sustainable landscapes and resilient communities.

Find [the full list of IPSI members](#) and learn more about our collaborative initiatives on the [IPSI website](#).

Organizations that joined IPSI between April 2024 and March 2025:

- [Agroecology and Sustainability Training Center \(Centro de Formación en Agroecología y Sustentabilidad AC, CEFAS\)](#): NGO in Mexico
- General Incorporated Association Tanemaki: Private sector organization in Japan
- [Grup Balear d'Ornitologia i Defensa de la Naturalesa de Menorca \(GOB Menorca\)](#): NGO in Spain
- Imagine and Build the Congo of Tomorrow (ICCOD-ONG): NGO in North Kivu Province, Democratic Republic of Congo
- [Institute of Rural Management Anand \(IRMA\)](#): Research institute in Gujarat, India
- [Integrated Development Organization](#): NGO in Madhya Pradesh, India
- [International Society for Science, Art and Innovation](#): NGO in Taiwan, Province of China
- [Landcare Tasmania Inc.](#): NGO in Tasmania, Australia
- [Manuae Enea Conservation Trust](#): Indigenous and local community organization in Aitutaki, Cook Islands
- [Miaoli County Mingde Community Beekeeping Revitalization Center Association](#): NGO in Miaoli County, Taiwan, Province of China
- [Nippon Television Network Corporation](#): Private sector organization (media) in Tokyo, Japan

IPSI Members by Type of Organization



- [People Resources and Conservation Foundation \(PRCF\)](#): NGO in Los Angeles, California, USA
- [Pingtung County Government](#): Local government organization in Pingtung City, Taiwan, Province of China
- [Public Association Kolsai](#): NGO in Almaty Region, Kazakhstan
- Tainan New Agricultural Biotechnology Production Cooperative: Industry or private sector organization in Tainan City, Taiwan, Province of China
- [Taiwan Biodiversity Research Institute](#): Other government affiliated organization in Nantou County, Taiwan, Province of China
- [Universidade Federal de São Paulo, Departamento de Ciências Ambientais \(DCA/UNIFESP\)](#): Academic/educational institute in São Paulo, Brazil
- [University of Oregon, Global Studies Institute \(GSI\)](#): Academic, educational and research institute in Eugene, Oregon, USA
- [Universidad San Francisco de Quito \(USFQ\)](#): Academic/educational institute in Cumbayá, Quito, Ecuador

Event Highlights

IPSI members have been actively involved in numerous events worldwide. Below are highlights from key events organized on behalf of IPSI or particularly relevant to the partnership.

IPSI Case Study Workshop 2024 — 23–25 June 2024

Held at the UNU Headquarters in Tokyo, Japan, this workshop was an important step towards publishing the Satoyama Initiative Thematic Review Volume 10 (SITR-10). Focused on the theme “**Ensuring Ecological Connectivity in Socio-ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)**”, it explored strategies and approaches by which multiple stakeholders collaboratively minimize trade-offs, maximize synergies and ensure quality of ecological connectivity to achieve effective, sustainable and equitable processes of landscape and seascape planning management. Authors shared case studies and received feedback to improve their manuscripts. SITR-10 is scheduled to be published in the fourth quarter of 2025 by Springer Nature Publishing.



2024 UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) Side Event on COMDEKS — 17 July 2024

This online side event titled “**Societies in Harmony with Nature: Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities Through the Implementation of the Satoyama Initiative and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity**” highlighted the role of the Community Development and Knowledge Management for the Satoyama Initiative (COMDEKS) — a flagship programme of IPSI that promotes sustainable use of biodiversity and natural resources within local communities through small-scale project financing — in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and key targets under the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

The event was co-organized by the Keidanren Committee on Nature Conservation (KCNC), MOEJ, the GEF Small Grants Programme implemented by UNDP, the Secretariat of Convention on Biological Diversity (SCBD), Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) and UNU-IAS. For details, see [here](#).

Mini-stage Event at the Yokohama Biodiversity Festival: Tokoro-san no Megaten! and the Satoyama Initiative — 31 August 2024

This event and an exhibition booth at the Yokohama Biodiversity Festival in Kanagawa, Japan was jointly organized by UNU-IAS, the IPSI Secretariat and Nippon Television Network. The event introduced IPSI and featured comedians performing a skit depicting a future visit to Kagaku no Sato, a Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS) site in Japan which Nippon Television Network has been restoring for the past 10 years. Insect photographers shared images of local insects illustrating their beauty and complexity. More details can be found [here](#).



CBD COP16 Side Events — October 2024

At the 2024 UN Biodiversity Conference in Cali, Colombia IPSI took part in several side events including “Operationalizing Landscape Approaches to Ensure We Are on Track with the Biodiversity Plan” (22 October 2024) where the practical guide “Using Landscape Approaches in National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Planning” developed by UNU-IAS and IGES was presented.



Other side events included “Landscape Approaches as a Lever to Reduce Conflicts for Living in Harmony with Nature” (29 October); “COMDEKS Phase 4 and the Satoyama Initiative: Societies in Harmony with Nature” (30 October 2024); and “Working Together to Realize Societies in Harmony with Nature: Mechanisms and Tools to Support On-the-ground Initiatives” (31 October).

At **UNFCCC COP29** in Baku, Azerbaijan, IPSI co-organized two side events. The side event at the SDGs Pavilion entitled “Operationalizing Multi-scale Policy Coherence for Climate Action” explored strategies to align policies across sustainable development agendas and ensure inclusion in the policymaking process. It was co-organized by UNU-IAS, the UNU Institute for Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), and the UNU Maastricht Economic and Social Research Institute on Innovation and Technology (UNU-MERIT). The UNU side event “Synergistic Solutions: Overcoming Silos and Policy Incoherence to Close the Climate and SDGs Ambition Gap” explored approaches to moving beyond fragmented policymaking on climate change and sustainable development. Co-organized by UNU and UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, it highlighted opportunities to integrate the SDGs into the national climate plans, and emphasized the need for a socio-ecological systems approach to identify and leverage synergies.

At the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention to Combat Desertification (**UNCCD COP16**), two IPSI side events featured landscape approaches. Side event entitled “Leveraging Landscape Approaches Towards Policy Coherence” highlighted IPSI and the Satoyama Initiative, exploring how landscape approaches can bridge the gaps between environmental and development policies while promoting sustainable and inclusive practices. Co-organized by UNU-IAS and UNU-EHS, “Operationalizing Integrated Landscape Approaches Towards Socio-ecological Resilience” discussed integrated landscape approaches to enhance socio-ecological resilience, and address challenges in land and water management.



Preparations for IPSI-10

Guided by the Steering Committee, for the first time, in an effort to reach out and strengthen the organization of the IPSI global conference, the IPSI Secretariat issued an open call to IPSI members for their expression of interest in co-hosting the tenth global conference of IPSI (IPSI-10). Following the selection process involving several meetings of the IPSI Steering Committee, University of Georgia (UGA) and Escuela Superior Politécnica De Chimborazo (ESPOCH) have been selected to co-host IPSI-10 in Riobamba, Ecuador. IPSI-10 is scheduled to take place at ESPOCH Campus on 3–5 March 2026 and the IPSI Secretariat team has been busy consulting with the co-hosts. Adoption of the Actionable Implementation Plan (AIP) for the IPSI Strategy and Plan of Action 2023–2030 is one of the key agenda items. IPSI Secretariat is working with members and partners in developing AIP through iterative consultation processes, involving thematic working groups on IPSI Strategic Objectives led by and involving IPSI members.

Collaborative Activities

IPSI endorsed 9 new collaborative activities, bringing the total number to 72, of which 27 have been reported as successfully completed. The newly endorsed activities are:

COMDEKS Phase 4: The Community Development and Knowledge Management for the Satoyama Initiative Programme »

By United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ); Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (SCBD); UNU-IAS; Keidanren Nature Conservation Fund (KNCF); and Keidanren Nature Conservation Council (KNCC)

Back To Nature Agroforestry Lab »

By Back to Nature; Kathmandu Forestry College (KAFCOL); Forest Research and Training Center (FRTC); and the Government of Nepal

2025 IPSI and ARDSWC Collaborative Activities »

By Agency of Rural Development and Soil and Water Conservation (ARDSWC); Taiwan Landscape Environment Association (TLEA); and the National Chung Hsing University (NCHU)

Youth-led Sustainable Pastoralism and Ecosystem Restoration in SEPLS »

By Pastoralist Economic and Social Advancement (PESA) and Small Actions for Enterprises (SAFE) Ghana

Strengthening the Restoration and Sustainable Management of Sacred Forests in RAMSAR Sites 1017 and 1018 in Benin »

By Cercle Pour La Sauvegarde Des Ressources Naturelles (CE.SA.RE.N – ONG); Amis de l'Afrique Francophone-Bénin (AMAF-BENIN); and Nature Tropicale

Satoyama Mace Initiative: Regional Revitalization of SEPLS in Carbon Credit »

By SEPLS Carbon Credit Regional Revitalization Center (Seed Coleus Greenhouse); Agency of Rural Development and Soil and Water Conservation; Research Center for Applied Sciences, Academia Sinica (RCAS); National Cheng Kung University; National Taiwan University; Tainan New Agricultural Biotechnology Production Cooperative

Integrating Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS) for Effective and Equitable Area-based Conservation, Aligning with 30×30: A Joint International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS) Initiative (Phase one) »

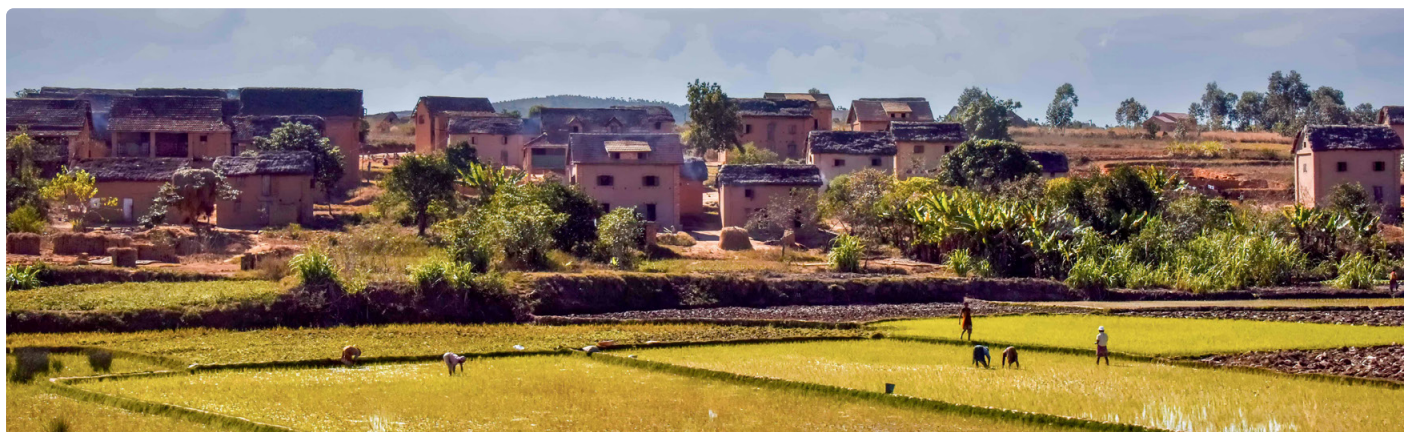
By International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN); UNU-IAS; UNDP; and Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Implementation of the IPSI Strategy and Plan of Action's Strategic Objective 4 on Ecosystem Restoration: Stocktaking and Gap Analysis to Promote Effective Restoration Activities »

By ADB; UNDP; and UNU-IAS

Collective Action Plans to Build a Sustainable Value Chain for SEPLS »

By Conservation International Japan; UNU-IAS; and Akita International University (AIU)



Satoyama Development Mechanism

In 2024, the **Satoyama Development Mechanism (SDM)** marked its twelfth round of funding, providing seed funding to five SEPLS-related projects around the world. Recognizing the global momentum propelling us toward 2030 and beyond, in 2022 the SDM framework underwent a strategic renewal to better support SEPLS projects.

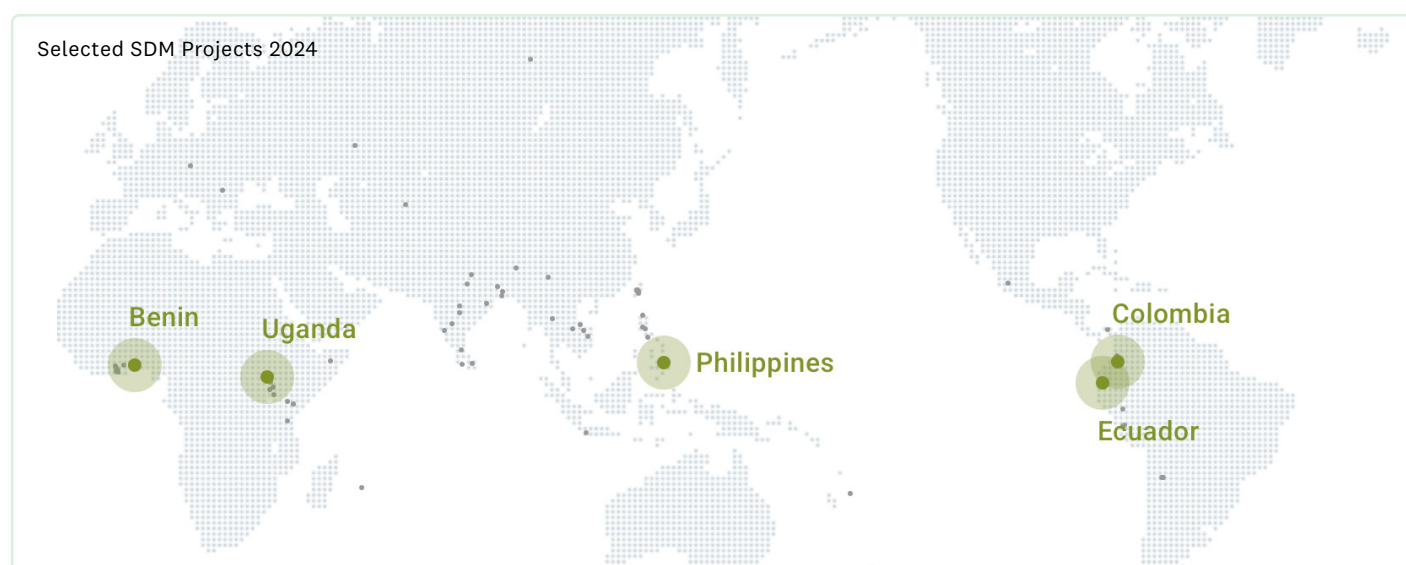
The revamped modality included changes to the amount of funds projects could receive and a new emphasis on projects aligning with the overarching themes of the GBF. These include prioritization of projects fostering other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs), landscape or seascape restoration, conservation and collaboration with Indigenous Peoples and local communities, resilience enhancement, and sustainable food or material production.

To foster collaboration and knowledge exchange, recipients of SDM grants were invited to participate in two online workshops — an inception workshop and a project completion workshop. During this reporting period, the inception workshop took place online, inviting the SDM 2024 recipients in February 2025.

Selected SDM Sub-Grant Recipients in 2024:

- **Caraga State University, Center for Research in Environmental Management and Eco-governance (academic institute, the Philippines)**
Project: Mainstreaming the Sago (Metroxylon sagu) Landscape for Food, Cultural Preservation and Climate Change Adaptation
- **Circle for Conservation of Natural Resources NGO (NGO, Benin)**
Project: Strengthening the Restoration and Sustainable Management of Five Sacred Forests of the Ramsar Site 1018 in Benin
- **Corporación Ambiental y Forestal del Pacífico (NGO, Colombia)**
Project: Developing a Peer-auditing Satoyama Label to Support Sustainable Coffee Production in Colombian SEPLs
- **Fundación para la Investigación y Desarrollo Social (NGO, Ecuador)**
Project: Strengthening Governance Mechanisms and Protection of the Community Conservation Area in the Portoviejo River Estuary, Manabí, Ecuador
- **Nature and Livelihoods (NGO, Uganda)**
Project: Setting the Stage for Commercial Production of High Value Market Products from Edible Wild Fruits

Since its establishment in 2013, SDM has provided critical support to 69 transformative projects worldwide. Further details are available on the [SDM website](#).



The Community Development and Knowledge Management for the Satoyama Initiative (COMDEKS)

COMDEKS, launched in 2011 as a flagship collaborative activity of IPSI, is a global programme funded by the Japan Biodiversity Fund (JBF) and implemented by UNDP in partnership with MOEJ, SCBD and UNU-IAS.

At its heart, COMDEKS is about empowering communities. It aims to help local communities conserve, restore and revitalize SEPLS. Through collaboration with GEF SGP, COMDEKS provides small grants to local groups for projects promoting biodiversity management and sustainable livelihoods. By sharing successful experiences, COMDEKS seeks to inspire similar actions elsewhere and learn from them. Ultimately, it aims to promote practices that harmonize societies with nature, in line with the vision of the Satoyama Initiative.

At the CBD COP15 in 2022, partners announced the launch of the fourth phase of COMDEKS, with funding totalling one billion Japanese yen over six years. Supported by MOEJ and KCNC, Phase 4 has been expanded to community-based initiatives implemented in 15 countries from 2023 to 2028: Bhutan, Cambodia, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Ghana, Jamaica, Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Nepal, Peru, Samoa, Tanzania, Türkiye, Uganda and Viet Nam.

During the CBD COP16 in 2024, a side event on COMDEKS Phase 4 highlighted its role in achieving the SDGs and key targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including targets 2, 3 and 10.

For more COMDEKS information and publications, please visit the [UNDP website](#).



Descriptions of IPSI Collaborative Activities, proposal forms and reports of completed activities can be found on the IPSI website's [Collaborative Activities page](#).

Knowledge Product Highlights

IPSI and its members produced numerous publications and resources to advance knowledge of SEPLS during the year. Key highlights included:



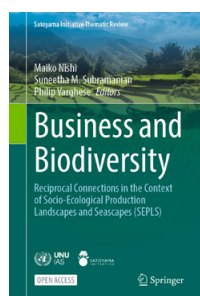
Indicators of Resilience in Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS): 2024 Edition

This tool is designed to facilitate the integration of landscape approaches into NBSAPs – essential instruments for countries to achieve the goals and targets of the Kunming–Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. Landscape approaches are landscape governance strategies that consider the ecological, social and economic context of a particular area, aiming to harmonize human activities with biodiversity conservation. The publication is available [here](#).

The first set of indicators was developed in 2012 as an IPSI Collaborative Activity by UNU-IAS, Alliance of Biodiversity International and CIAT. The revision process for this edition included inputs from IPSI members and partners with extensive user experiences, ensuring they are more user-friendly and inspire reflection. A detailed overview of its development is provided on the [IPSI website](#).

Satoyama Initiative Thematic Review

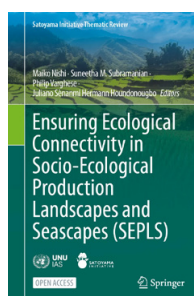
The [Satoyama Initiative Thematic Review \(SITR\)](#) is an annual publication series which compiles case studies by IPSI members on timely issues concerning SEPLS and provides recommendations to decision-makers and practitioners.



SITR Volume 9 “Business and Biodiversity: Reciprocal Connections in the Context of Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)”

SITR Volume 9 is an open-access book that provides useful knowledge and lessons derived from on-the-ground

activities and contributes to policy recommendations, focusing on the reciprocal connections between business and biodiversity in the context of SEPLS. Through the case studies, SITR Volume 9 demonstrates the relevance of SEPLS and presents key concepts, methodologies and strategies to promote sustainable businesses for biodiversity. The book is available on the [Springer Nature website](#).



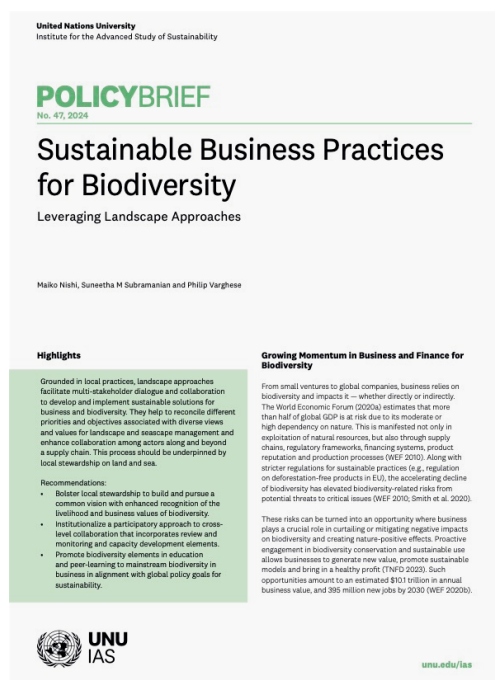
SITR Volume 10 “Ensuring Ecological Connectivity in Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)”

is in the publication process to be released by Springer Nature in late 2025.

In January 2025, the IPSI Secretariat issued a call for papers for Volume 11 with the theme “**Addressing Interlinked Climate and Biodiversity Challenges in Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)**”. SITR Volume 11 is scheduled to be published in 2026.

Policy Briefs

In June 2024, the IPSI Secretariat published a policy brief in partnership with its host, UNU-IAS.



Sustainable Business Practices for Biodiversity: Leveraging Landscape Approaches

The brief provides insights on how landscape approaches can promote biodiversity-friendly business through local stewardship, cross-level collaboration and peer learning.

It was authored by Research Fellows Maiko Nishi and Suneetha M. Subramanian from the IPSI Secretariat and UNU-IAS, and Philip Varghese, a UNU-JSPS Fellow who was hosted at Akita International University.

Recommendations:

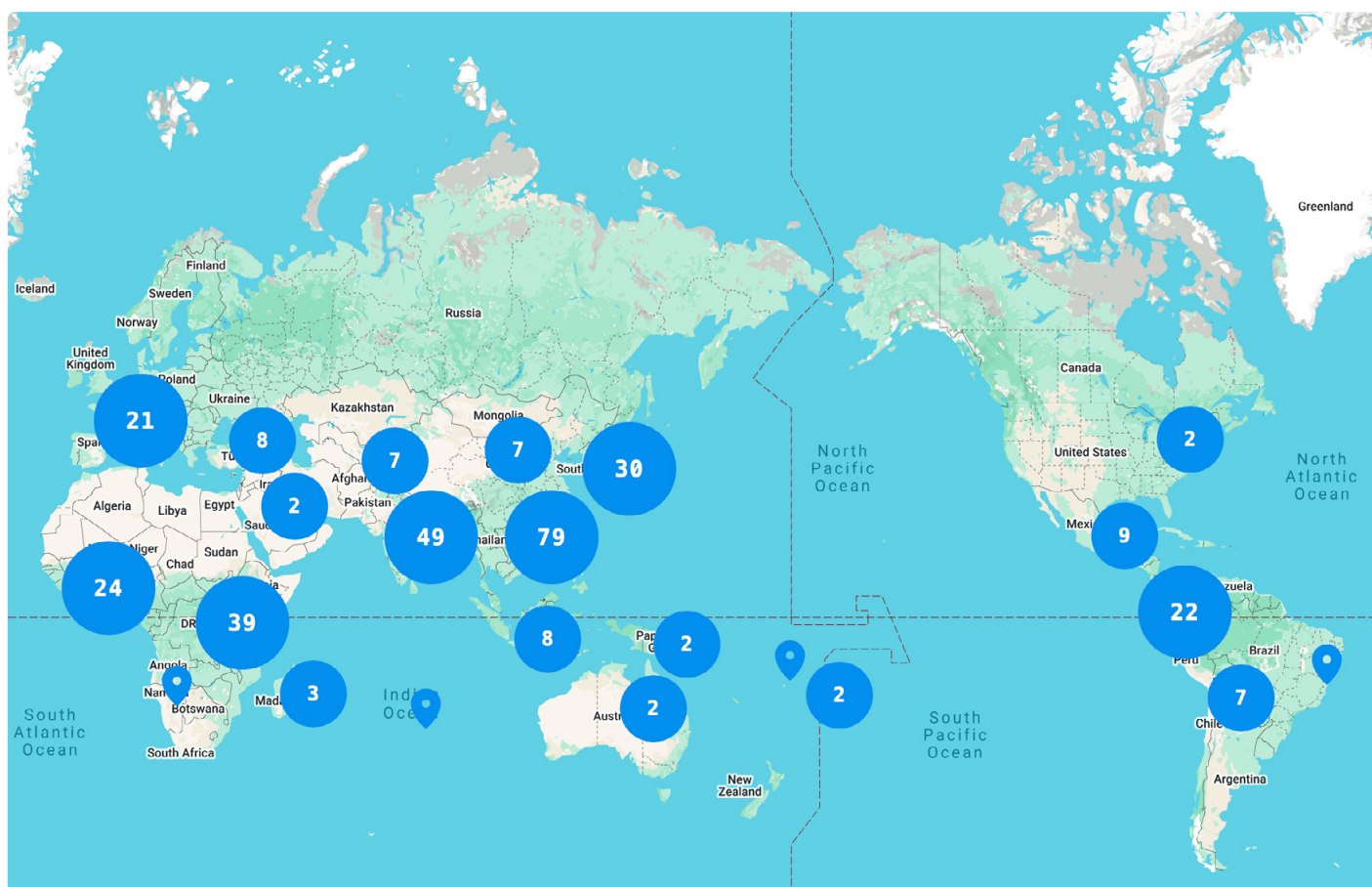
- Bolster local stewardship to build and pursue a common vision with enhanced recognition of the livelihood and business values of biodiversity.
- Institutionalize a participatory approach to support cross-level collaboration that incorporates review and monitoring and capacity development elements.
- Promote biodiversity elements in education and peer-learning to mainstream biodiversity in business in alignment with global policy goals for sustainability.

The policy brief is available for download [here](https://unu.edu/ias).



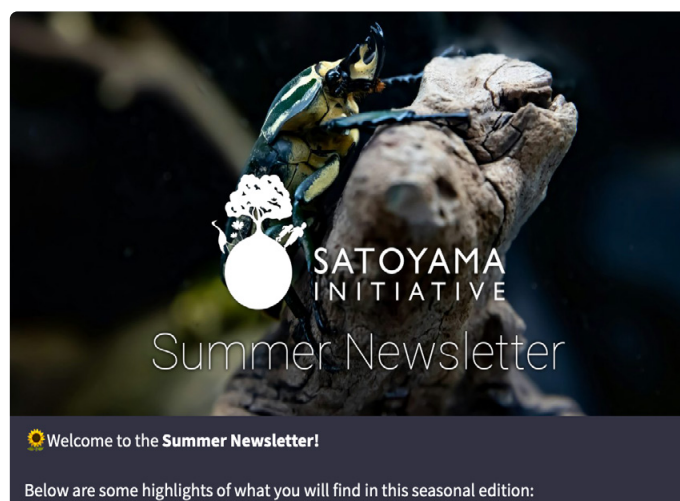
IPSI Case Studies

As of April 2025, 321 case studies are publicly available on the IPSI website, and this number continues to grow as all IPSI members are expected to submit a case study as part of their membership. Various research activities are also ongoing to synthesize and extract lessons learned and good practices from the case studies. The case studies can be viewed [here](#).

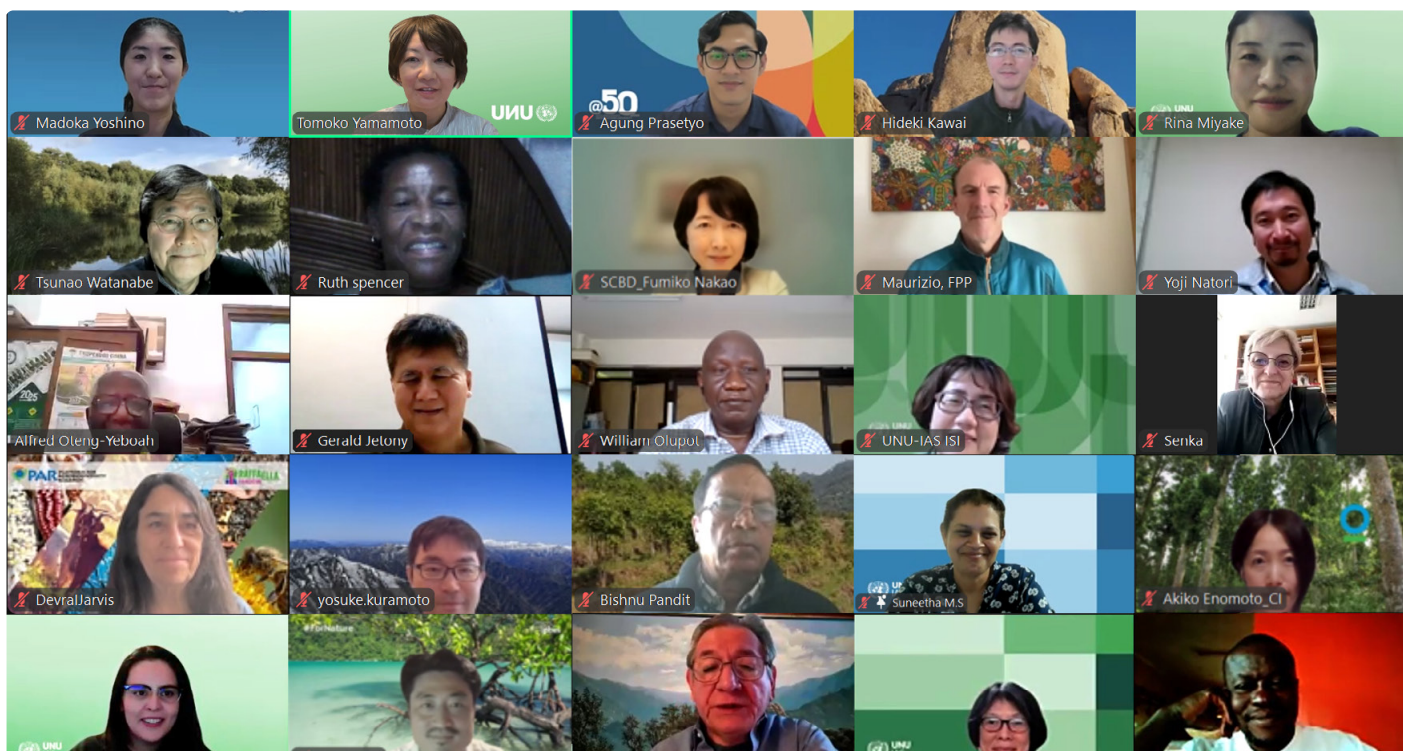


Communications and Outreach

The IPSI Secretariat updates the IPSI website with publications, news and other relevant resources. In February 2025, the website moved to a new address at <https://satoyamainitiative.org>. The Secretariat produces newsletters in both [English](#) and [Japanese](#) that reach over 1000 readers. A mini-newsletter, IPSI Live Updates, is also sent out to announce time-sensitive events and ensure subscribers do not miss important deadlines.



IPSI Steering Committee



Meetings of the IPSI Steering Committee were organized in April, August, September and December 2024, and January and February 2025, approving 19 new members and 9 IPSI Collaborative Activities.

The IPSI Secretariat would like to acknowledge the following IPSI member organizations for their time and effort in serving on the Steering Committee:

- Chair: Ghana National Biodiversity Committee
- Association for the Agroindustry Development in Camana (APAIC)
- Conservation International
- Conservation Solutions Afrika
- Forest Peoples Programme
- Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)
- Kathmandu Forestry College (KAFCOL)
- Marine Ecosystems Protected Areas (MEPA) Trust
- Ministry of Environment, Cambodia
- Ministry of the Environment, Government of Japan
- Nature and Livelihoods

- Platform for Agrobiodiversity Research (PAR)
- Sabah Biodiversity Centre, Natural Resources Office Sabah, Malaysia
- Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (SCBD)
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- University of Georgia, Department of Geography, Neotropical Montology Collaboratory
- University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Science
- United Nations University

With IPSI-10 approaching in March 2026, the IPSI Secretariat, together with the Steering Committee and its chair, Prof. Alfred Oteng Yeboah, is managing the rotation of the IPSI Steering Committee membership, including a call to all IPSI members for their expression of interest in serving the Committee. The list of candidates will be presented to the IPSI General Assembly for endorsement at IPSI-10.

IPSI Secretariat



The IPSI Secretariat continues to be hosted by UNU-IAS in Tokyo, Japan. In April 2024, we said goodbye to Ms. Kanako Yoshino, Programme Assistant, and welcomed Ms. Ikuyo Kaseda. We welcomed Ms. Tomoko Yamamoto in December 2024 and Mr. Agung Prasetyo in January 2025 as Programme Associates. Dr. Maiko Nishi, our Research Fellow, left the Secretariat in March 2025. She was succeeded by Dr. Mesfin Sahle Achemo, Research Fellow, in July 2025. We express our sincere appreciation for their contributions over the past years in supporting and strengthening the partnership.

As of August 2025, IPSI Secretariat staff includes the following team members:

- Dr. Tsunao Watanabe, Director, Visiting Research Fellow
- Rina Miyake, Deputy Director, Programme Coordinator
- Dr. Suneetha M. Subramanian, Research Fellow
- Dr. Mesfin Sahle Achemo, Research Fellow
- Alexandra Franco Guajardo, Communications Associate
- Agung Prasetyo, Programme Associate
- Tomoko Yamamoto, Programme Associate
- Madoka Yoshino, Programme Associate
- Ikuyo Kaseda, Programme Assistant

The IPSI Secretariat wishes to express its sincere thanks to all the members for their contributions and continued support in expanding and strengthening the partnership. We look forward to continuing to work closely with all IPSI partners and friends throughout 2025 and beyond.

Annex

List of IPSI Members as of March 2024

(Total: 333 organizations)

Organization	Location of head office
National governmental organization (22 organizations)	
Environment Protection Authority, Yemen	Yemen
Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute	Ethiopia
Ghana National Biodiversity Committee	Ghana
Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies, Italy	Italy
Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Environment, Directorate General for Environment, Timor Leste	Timor-Leste
Ministry of Environment and Forest Resources, Togo	Togo
Ministry of Environment and Protection of Nature, Cameroon	Cameroon
Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Mongolia	Mongolia
Ministry of Environment and Water Resources, Chad	Chad
Ministry of Environment, Cambodia	Cambodia
Ministry of Environment, Ecology and Forests, Madagascar	Madagascar
Ministry of Environment, Gabon	Gabon
Ministry of Environment, Peru	Peru
Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea	Republic of Korea
Ministry of Forestry and Environment, Gambia	Gambia
Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation, Nepal	Nepal
Ministry of Natural and Resources and Environment, Thailand	Thailand
Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining, Malawi	Malawi
Ministry of the Environment, Japan	Japan
National Environmental Council for Sustainable Development, Executive Secretariat, Niger	Niger
National Forest and Wildlife Service (SERFOR), Peru	Peru
National System of Conservation Areas (SINAC), Costa Rica	Costa Rica
Other government-affiliated organization (10 organizations)	
Fisheries Research Institute, Council of Agriculture, Executive Yuan	Chinese Taipei
Forestry and Nature Conservation Agency (FANCA)	Chinese Taipei

Huascaran National Park, National Service of Protected Natural Areas (SERNANP), Peru	Peru
Institute for Fundamental Research on Tropical Agriculture (INIFAT)	Cuba
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)	Japan
Kenya Wetlands Biodiversity Research Team (KENWEB)	Kenya
National Herbarium and Botanical Gardens, Malawi	Malawi
Natural Resources Office, Sabah	Malaysia
Soil and Water Conservation Bureau (SWCB), Executive Yuan	Chinese Taipei
Taiwan Biodiversity Research Institute (TBRI)	Chinese Taipei
Local governmental organization (23 organizations)	
Agriculture Department, New Taipei City Government	Chinese Taipei
Aichi Prefectural Government	Japan
Committee of Intermunicipal Associations of the State of Jalisco (CAIEJ)	Mexico
Echizen City	Japan
Fukui Prefectural Government	Japan
Hawaii State Department of Agriculture	United States of America
Hualien District Agricultural Research and Extension Station of the Council of Agriculture	Chinese Taipei
Hyogo Prefectural Government	Japan
Ishikawa Prefectural Government	Japan
Kumamoto Prefectural Government	Japan
Liao Ning Province Authority of Liaohe River	China
Liao Ning Province Development & Promotion Center of Liaohe River Reserve	China
Nagoya City	Japan
Nobeoka City	Japan
Owase City	Japan
Pingtung County Government	Chinese Taipei
Sado City	Japan
Secretariat do Infrastructure and Environment – Sao Paulo State Government (SIMA-SP)	Brazil
Taoyuan City Government	Chinese Taipei
Toyooka City	Japan
Tram Tau Protection Forest Management Board	Viet Nam
Wakasa Town	Japan
Yilan County Government	Chinese Taipei
Non-governmental or civil society organization (147 organizations)	
AEON Environmental Foundation	Japan
A Rocha Ghana	Ghana

Accelerated Rural Development Organisation (ARDO)	Ghana
Advocates for Biodiversity Conservation (ABC-Ghana)	Ghana
Agroecology and Sustainability Training Center (Centro de Formación en Agroecología y Sustentabilidad AC (CEFAS))	Mexico
Amis de l'Afrique Francophone- Bénin (AMAF-BENIN)	Benin
Applied Environmental Research Foundation (AERF)	India
ASEAN Green Justice Network (AGREEN)	Myanmar
Asociación de campesinos vecinos del Parque Natural Nacional Serranía de los Yariguies (ASOCAPAYARI)	Colombia
Asociación para la Investigación y el Desarrollo Integral (AIDER)	Peru
Asociación Pro Desarrollo Agroindustrial de Camana (APAIC)	Peru
Association for the Sustainable Development of Rural San Jose (ADESSARU)	Costa Rica
Association of Forest and Hunting Workers of Serbia – Forest and Hunting	Serbia
Associazione Grani Antichi (Ancient Grains Association) Montespertoli	Italy
Balipara Tract and Frontier Foundation	India
Benin Environment and Education Society	Benin
Bhutan Ecological Society	Bhutan
Bioversity International	Italy
BirdLife International	United Kingdom
Borneo Conservation Trust Japan	Japan
Bureau for Regional Outreach Campaigns (BROC)	Russia
Center for Green Economy Development – Nepal (CGED – Nepal)	Nepal
Centre for Ecology Development and Research	India
CEPA Japan	Japan
Chinese Society for Environmental Education (CSEE)	Chinese Taipei
Circle for Conservation of Natural Resources NGO (ONG CeSaReN)	Benin
Civil Society Organizations' Network for Sustainable Agriculture and Environment in East Africa (CISONET)	Uganda
Clarendon Parish Development Committee Benevolent Society	Jamaica
Community Agriculture and Environmental Protection Association Cameroon (CAEPA)	Cameroon
Community Based Environmental Conservation (COBEC)	Kenya
Community Entrepreneur Development Institute (CENDI)	Viet Nam
Conservation Alliance International	Ghana
Conservation International	United States of America
Conservation Solutions Afrika	Kenya
Corporación Ambiental y Forestal del Pacífico (CORFOPAL)	Colombia
Cultivate a Cloud NPO	Japan
Dahari	Comoros

Daluhay	Philippines
Earthwatch Institute, Japan	Japan
EcoAgriculture Partners	United States of America
Environment and Development Association JASIL	Mongolia
Environment and Rural Development Foundation (ERuDeF)	Cameroon
Environmental Education Centre Zapovedniks	Russia
Environmental Ethics Foundation of Taiwan (EEFT)	Chinese Taipei
Environmental Protection and Conservation Organisation (EPCO)	Mauritius
Environmental Protection Information Centre (EPIC)	Uganda
Farmers' Seed Network	China
Fondazione Romualdo del Bianco - Life Beyond Tourism	Italy
Forest Peoples Programme (FPP)	United Kingdom
Forum for Law, Environment, Development and Governance (FLEDGE)	India
Fostering Education & Environment for Development, Inc. (FEED)	Philippines
Foundation for Research and Social Development (FIDES)	Ecuador
Foundation for Research and Sustainable Development (FUNINDES)	Colombia
Friends of the Earth Japan (FoE Japan)	Japan
Fuli Farmers Association	Chinese Taipei
Fundación Semillas de Vida, A.C.	Mexico
German Association for Landcare (DVL)	Germany
Global Youth Biodiversity Network	Germany
Global Diversity Foundation	United Kingdom
Grains of Hope Mobilisation (GOHMO)	Malawi
Green Development Advocates	Cameroon
Green Initiative NGO	Mongolia
Green Islands Foundation	Seychelles
Green Movement of Sri Lanka Inc	Sri Lanka
Green Senegal	Senegal
Greenglobe Ghana	Ghana
Groupe d'Intervention pour l'Encadrement et la Réhabilitation Intégrale (GIERI) / Landcare Network DRC	DR Congo
Grup Balear D'ornitologia I De Fensa De La Naturalesa	Spain
HATOF Foundation	Ghana
Hokusetsu Satoyama Museum Steering Council	Japan
Hydrology for the Environment, Life and Policy (HELP) Davao Network	Philippines
Initiative for Community Health (INCH)	Malawi
Institute Acao Verde	Brazil

Institute for Societal Advancement	India
Institute for Sustainable Development Strategy (ISDS) Public Foundation	Kyrgyzstan
Institute of Environmental Rehabilitation and Conservation (ERECON)	Japan
Integrated Development Organization (IDO)	India
International Agency for the Protection of Biocultural Landscapes and for a New Rurality (AGER)	Italy
International Cooperation and Development Fund (ICDF)	Chinese Taipei
International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation (CIC)	Hungary
International Lake Environment Committee Foundation (ILEC)	Japan
International Society for Science, Art and Innovation	Chinese Taipei
Iwokrama International Centre for Rainforest Conservation and Development	Guyana
Japan Environmental Education Forum (JEEF)	Japan
Japan Habitat Association	Japan
Landcare Association Neumarkt	Germany
Landcare International	Kenya
Landcare Tasmania	Australia
Live & Learn Environmental Education	Cambodia
M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF), Community Agrobiodiversity Centre	India
Manna Rural Living Experimental Hub	Chinese Taipei
Marine Ecosystems Protected Areas (MEPA) Trust	Antigua and Barbuda
Mauritian Wildlife Foundation	Mauritius
MELCA - Ethiopia	Ethiopia
Miaoli County Mingde Community Beekeeping Revitalization Center Association	Chinese Taipei
Miaoli County Saisiyat Indigenous People Forestry and Worker Limited Liability Cooperative	Chinese Taipei
Micronesia Conservation Trust	Federated States of Micronesia
Morocco Biodiversity & Livelihoods Association (MBLA)	Morocco
Nagenahiru Foundation	Sri Lanka
National Association for the Conservation of Nature (ANCON)	Panama
Nature and Livelihoods	Uganda
Nature Tropicale	Benin
Network for Coexistence with Nature	Japan
Nomi Satoyama Conservation Society	Japan
Ny Tanintsika	Madagascar
Organisation for Community Development (OCD)	Pakistan
Overseas Environmental Cooperation Center	Japan

People Resources and Conservation Foundation (PRFC)	United States of America
Peruvian Association of Bamboo	Peru
Resource Conservation Initiative (RESCONI)	Ghana
Pastoralist Economic & Social Advancement (PESA)	Tanzania
Pgakenyaw Association for Sustainable Development (PASD)	Thailand
Platform for Agrobiodiversity Research (PAR)	Italy
Pogany-Havas Association	Romania
Public Association Kolsai	Kazakhstan
Royal Society for Protection of Nature	Bhutan
Satoyama Initiative NGO, Mongolia	Mongolia
Save a Seed for the Future (SAFE)	Uganda
Seeking To Equip People (STEP) Guinee NGO	Guinea
Shumei International	Japan
Social Policy Ecology Research Institute (SPERI)	Viet Nam
Society for Environment Conservation and Agriculture Research and Development (SECARD)	Nepal
Society for Wildlife and Nature (SWAN) International	Chinese Taipei
South Asian Forum for Environment (SAFE)	India
Suganthi Devadason Marine Research Institute (SDMRI)	India
Taiwan Ecological Engineering Development Foundation	Chinese Taipei
Taiwan Landscape Environment Association (TLEA)	Chinese Taipei
Taiwan Wild Bird Federation	Chinese Taipei
Tambo NPO (Rice Paddies Network Japan)	Japan
Thailand Environment Institute	Thailand
The Goat Trust	India
The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)	India
The Nature Conservancy	Australia
Tropical Institute of Ecological Sciences	India
Tropical Science Center	Costa Rica
Tse-Xin Organic Agriculture Foundation	Chinese Taipei
Union of Community Development Volunteers	Uganda
Urato's "Children of the Sea" Revitalizing Project	Japan
VICAM: Vicuñas, Camélidos y Ambiente	Argentina
Vivamos Mejor	Guatemala
Wildlife Conservation Society Madagascar	Madagascar
Wildlife Watch Group	Nepal
Woman, Development, Future Public Union	Azerbaijan

World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF)	Kenya
World Wildlife Fund (WWF) USA	United States of America
World Wildlife Fund West Africa Programme Office (WWF WAMPO)	Senegal
Yolda Dernegi (Yolda Initiative)	Türkiye
Indigenous or local community organization (13 organizations)	
Association for Nature and Sustainable Development (ANDES)	Peru
Culture Identity and Resources Use Management (CIRUM)	Viet Nam
Fundacion para la Promocion del Conocimiento Indigena	Panama
Imagine & Build the Congo of Tomorrow (ICCOD-ONG)	DR Congo
Indigenous Knowledge and Peoples Foundation (IKAP)	Thailand
Indigenous Partnership for Agrobiodiversity and Food Sovereignty (TIP)	Italy
Indigenous Peoples' Biocultural Climate Change Assessment (IPCCA)	Peru
Inter Mountain People's Education and Culture in Thailand Association (IMPECT)	Thailand
Kanuri Development Association (KDA)	Nigeria
Manuae Enea Conservation Trust	Cook Islands
Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association (NINPA)	Nepal
Nirmanie Development Foundation (NDF)	Sri Lanka
Small Actions for Enterprise Ghana (SAFE GHANA)	Ghana
Sotz'il	Guatemala
Tebtebba - Indigenous Peoples' International Centre for Policy Research and Education	Philippines
Academic, educational and/or research Institute (65 organizations)	
Agrarian Research Foundation (ARF)	Bangladesh
Akita International University (AIU)	Japan
American Museum of Natural History, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation	United States of America
An Giang University, Research Center for Rural Development (RCRD)	Viet Nam
Austrian Academy of Sciences, Institute for Interdisciplinary Mountain Research	Austria
Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, Ecosystem Services Research Group	Germany
Caraga State University, Center for Research in Environmental Management and Eco-governance (CRÈME)	Philippines
Chinese Academy of Science, Centre for Chinese Agricultural Policy	China
Chuo University, Department of Integrated Science and Engineering for Sustainable Societies, Faculty of Science and Engineering	Japan
Dharma Drum Institute of Liberal Arts	Chinese Taipei
ERuDeF University Institute of Applied Biodiversity Sciences	Cameroon
Helmholz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ)	Germany
Ifugao State University	Philippines

Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)	Japan
Institute of Ecology and Sustainable Development	Russia
Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA)	India
Integrated Organic Farming Systems Research Centre (IORC)	Indonesia
International Land Conservation Network (ILCN)	United States of America
Islands Knowledge Institute (IKI)	Solomon Islands
Jawaharlal Nehru University, School of Environmental Science	India
Kanazawa University	Japan
Kathmandu Forestry College (KAFCOL)	Nepal
Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI)	Kenya
Laikipia Wildlife Forum	Kenya
Leuphana University Lueneburg	Germany
Lilongwe University of Agriculture & Natural Resources, Department of Forestry	Malawi
Minzu University of China, College of Life and Environmental Science	China
Mokpo National University, Institution for Marine and Island Cultures (MIC)	Republic of Korea
National Dong-Hwa University	Chinese Taipei
National Pingtung University of Science and Technology	Chinese Taipei
National Yunlin University of Science and Technology (YunTech)	Chinese Taipei
Niigata University, Centre for Toki and Ecological Restoration	Japan
Renmin University of China, Centre for Resource and Forestry Policy Study (CFNRPS)	China
Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts (ZRC SAZU)	Slovenia
Royal University of Bhutan, College of Natural Resources	Bhutan
Seed Coleus Greenhouse	Chinese Taipei
Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Swedish Biodiversity Centre	Sweden
Tohoku University, Graduate School of Life Sciences	Japan
Tribhuvan University, Amrit Campus, Institute of Science & Technology	Nepal
Universidade Federal da Fronteira Sul (UFFS)	Brazil
Universidade Federal de São Paulo, Departamento de Ciências Ambientais	Brazil
University of Cyprus	Cyprus
University of Development Studies (UDS), Faculty of Renewable Natural Resources	Ghana
University of Georgia, Geography Department, Neotropical Montology Collaboratory	United States of America
University of Gloucestershire, Countryside and Community Research Institute (CCRI)	United Kingdom
University of Hong Kong, Policy for Sustainability Lab of the Faculty of Social Sciences	China
University of Nairobi	Kenya
University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU)	Austria
University of Oregon, Global Studies Institute (GSI)	United States of America
Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ)	Ecuador

University of San Simón – AGRUCO	Bolivia
University of Santiago de Compostela, Higher Polytechnic School (EPS)	Spain
University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Science	Bosnia and Herzegovina
University of the Philippines Los Baños, College of Forestry and Natural Resources, Department of Social Forestry and Forest Governance	Philippines
University of the Philippines Open University (UPOU)	Philippines
University of the Punjab, Centre for Integrated Mountain Research (CIMR)	Pakistan
University of Tokyo, Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Sciences	Japan
University of Tokyo, Institute for Future Initiatives (IFI)	Japan
University of Vigo	Spain
Unnayan Onneshan	Bangladesh
Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore	India
Vietnam National University, Hanoi (VNU)	Viet Nam
Yokohama National University	Japan
Yunnan University, National Research Centre for the Studies of the Ethnic Groups of China's South-Western Borderlands (SEGCSWB)	China
Zhejiang A & F University	China
Industry or private sector organization (34 organizations)	
Akita Satoyama Design LLC	Japan
Aleph Inc.	Japan
Asahi Kasei Corporation	Japan
Back to Nature	Nepal
Brother Sales Ltd.	Japan
Canon Inc.	Japan
Chuetsu Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd	Japan
Coelacanth Shokudou. LLC (MUJUN)	Japan
Commemorative Foundation for the International Garden and Greenery Exposition, Osaka, Japan, 1990	Japan
Dell Japan Inc.	Japan
E Overseas Education Centre	Republic of Korea
Frontier Works Inc.	Japan
FRUTA FRUTA Inc.	Japan
General Incorporated Association Tanemaki	Japan
Green TV Japan (TREE, Inc.)	Japan
Hewlett-Packard Japan, Ltd.	Japan
IORA Ecological Solutions	India
Kasho Maeno	Japan

LEAF Co., Ltd.	Japan
Lexmark International K.K.	Japan
NatureMind-ED	Thailand
Nippon Television Network Corporation	Japan
Node Creative company	Chinese Taipei
Observer Ecological Consultant	Chinese Taipei
People Empowering & Development Alternatives (PEDA) International	Pakistan
PolisPlan	Australia
Seiko Epson Corporation	Japan
Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd	Japan
Tainan New Agricultural Biotechnology Production Cooperative	Chinese Taipei
Taisei Corporation	Japan
The AgriBusiness Group - The New Zealand Sustainability Dashboard	New Zealand
TZR Technology	Malaysia
Watch Nature Ecological Consultant Co., Ltd (WNECC)	Chinese Taipei
Yamada Keitei Co., Ltd	Japan
Other (2 organizations)	
The Council of Promoting Biodiversity in Rice Paddies Connected to Lake Biwa	Japan
Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF)	USA
United Nations or other intergovernmental organization (15 organizations)	
Asian Development Bank	
Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Secretariat	
Global Environment Facility (GEF) Secretariat	
International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)	
International Network for Bamboo and Rattan (INBAR)	
International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)	
International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)	
Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)	
United Nations Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Sustainable Agriculture (UNCAPSA)	
United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD)	
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	
United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)	
United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	
United Nations Environment Programme - World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC)	
United Nations University (UNU)	

Selection of Events Related to IPSI's Development

2009

- International Experts Meeting on the Satoyama Initiative Concept (25 July 2009, Tokyo, Japan)
- Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on the Satoyama Initiative Concept (1–3 October 2009, Penang, Malaysia)

2010

- Global Workshop on the Satoyama Initiative (29–30 January 2010, Paris, France)
- Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) 14 and the Third Meeting of the Working Group on Review of Implementation (WGRI 3) Side Events “The Satoyama Initiative” (10 and 24 May 2010, Nairobi, Kenya)
- International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative Preparatory Meeting (23–24 August 2010, Yamanashi, Japan)
- South America Regional Workshop on the Satoyama Initiative and Its International Partnership (22 September 2010, Brasilia, Brazil)
- Launch of the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative at CBD 10th Meeting of the Conference of Parties (COP10) (19 October 2010, Nagoya, Japan)

2011

- IPSI-1: The First Global Conference of IPSI (10–11 March 2011, Nagoya, Japan)
- CBD SBSTTA 15 Side Event “Challenges and Hopes in Ecosystem Restoration” (8 November 2011, Montreal, Canada)

2012

- IPSI-2: The Second Global Conference of IPSI (13–14 March 2012, Nairobi, Kenya)
- Rio+20 Side Event “The Satoyama Initiative and the Green Economy” (18 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)
- International Forum for Sustainable Asia and the Pacific (ISAP) 2012 Parallel Session and Expert Workshop “The Satoyama Initiative and Resilience–Pathways to a Sustainable Society” (23–24 July 2012, Yokohama, Japan)
- IUCN World Conservation Congress 2012 Workshop “Enhancing Resilience with Nature: Translating the Science and Practice of Ecosystem Restoration into Policy” (10 September 2012, Jeju, Republic of Korea)
- IPSI-3: The Third Global Conference of IPSI (6–7 October 2012, Hyderabad, India)
- CBD COP11 Side Event “Achievements and Further Development of the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative” (11 October 2012, Hyderabad, India)
- CBD COP11 Side Event “Linking Community and Landscape Resilience” (12 October 2012, Hyderabad, India)

2013

- Workshop on Indicators of Resilience in SEPLS (22–24 April 2013, Yokohama, Japan)
- Satoyama Initiative Regional Workshop for Asia (14–15 May 2013, Kathmandu, Nepal)
- ISAP 2013 Parallel Session “Green Economy and Satoyama Initiative: Building Resilient Societies at Local Level” and Expert Workshop (22–24 July 2013, Yokohama, Japan)
- IPSI-4: The Fourth Global Conference of IPSI (12–14 September 2013, Fukui, Japan)
- CBD SBSTTA 17 Side Event “An Indicators Approach to Understanding Resilience of Socio-ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes: A Community-level Perspective” (15 October 2013, Montreal, Canada)
- 9th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas Parallel Session “Challenges and Opportunities for the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI) from Pacific Perspectives” (4 December 2013, Suva, Fiji)

2014

- The Satoyama Initiative Regional Workshop for Europe (27–29 May 2014, Florence, Italy)
- ISAP 2014 Parallel Session “Benefits and Challenges of Community Engagement for the Sustainable Use of Biodiversity” and IPSI Case Study Experts Workshop (22–24 July 2014, Yokohama, Japan)
- IPSI-5: The Fifth Global Conference of IPSI (4–5 October 2014, Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea)
- CBD COP12 Side Event “Contribution to the Aichi Biodiversity Targets from the Ground Up: Engaging Diverse Communities and Perspectives Through the Satoyama Initiative” (6 October 2014, Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea)
- CBD COP12 Side Event “Mobilizing Resources for Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Production Landscapes and Seascapes” (8 October 2014, Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea)
- IUCN World Parks Congress 2014 Sessions and Side Events (12–19 November 2014, Sydney, Australia)

2015

- IPSI Case Study Workshop “Enhancing Knowledge for Better Management of SEPLS” (24–26 June 2015, Tokyo, Japan)
- ISAP 2015 Parallel Session “Contributing to Regional Sustainability and Resilience from SEPLS” (29 July 2015, Yokohama, Japan)
- Satoyama Initiative Regional Workshop for Africa (10–12 August 2015, Accra, Ghana)
- CBD SBSTTA 19 Side Event “Collaborative Resource Mobilization and Knowledge Facilitation Through Global Partnership: Activities of the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI)” (2 November 2015, Montreal, Canada)

2016

- IPSI-6: The Sixth Global Conference of IPSI (12–14 January 2016, Siem Reap, Cambodia)
- CBD SBSTTA 20 Side Event “Collection and Strategic Use of Knowledge for Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Various Sectors” (26 April 2016, Montreal, Canada)

- CBD 1st meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI 1) Side Event “Strategic Actions to Enhance Implementation of the CBD: Recent Experiences of the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative in Africa and Asia” (3 May 2016, Montreal, Canada)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop “Incorporating Concepts and Approaches of Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Aeascapes (SEPLS) into Policy and Decision-making” (25–27 May 2016, Tokyo, Japan)
- Satoyama Initiative Regional Workshop for Latin America and the Caribbean (27–29 June 2016, Cusco and Pisac, Peru)
- ISAP 2016 Parallel Session “Integrated Landscape Management: Effective Approaches for Translating Knowledge into Transformative Actions” (13 July 2016, Yokohama, Japan)
- IUCN World Conservation Congress 2016 Sessions (1–5 September 2016, Honolulu, USA)
- IPSI Steering Committee Eleventh Meeting (12–13 November 2016, Takarazuka, Hyogo, Japan)
- CBD COP13 Side Event “Strategic Action for Mainstreaming Biodiversity: Contributions of the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI) to Biodiversity and Human Well-Being” (6 December 2016, Cancun, Mexico)
- CBD COP13 Side Event “Contributions of Funding Mechanisms under the Satoyama Initiative to Mainstreaming Biodiversity for Well-being” (8 December 2016, Cancun, Mexico)

2017

- COMDEKS Global Knowledge Exchange Workshop (23–26 January 2017, San José, Costa Rica)
- Satoyama Initiative Regional Workshop in Sabah (18–20 April 2017, Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop “Livelihoods and Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)” (28–30 June 2017, Tokyo, Japan)
- ISAP 2017 Parallel Session “Putting Sustainability at the Heart of Landscape and Seascape Management: Key Roles Played by Subnational and Local Governments” (26 July 2017, Yokohama, Japan)
- IPSI Steering Committee Twelfth Meeting (2–4 October 2017, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, Japan)
- CBD SBSTTA 21 Side Event “Integrated Landscape Management in the UN Decade of Biodiversity 2010–2020 and Beyond: Achievements and Future Direction of the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI)” (11 December 2017, Montreal, Canada)

2018

- IPSI Case Study Workshop “Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS) and Its Contribution to Effective Area-based Conservation” (22–24 May 2018, Tokyo, Japan)
- CBD SBSTTA 22 Side Events “Can a Landscape Approach Bridge Livelihood, Science, and Conservation? The Satoyama Initiative and the SciencePolicy Interface” (5 July 2018, Montreal, Canada)
- CBD SBI 2 Side Event “Financing Landscape Management Approaches: Replication and Upscaling for Biodiversity and Sustainable Development” (10 July 2018, Montreal, Canada)
- CBD SBSTTA 22 and SBI 2 Side Events “Mainstreaming Biodiversity in Production Landscapes and Seascapes: Integrated Approaches in Design and Implementation of National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs)” (12 July 2018, Montreal, Canada)

- ISAP 2018 Parallel Session “Sustainable Production Landscapes and Seascapes for Biodiversity, Human Livelihoods and Well-being” (19 July 2017, Yokohama, Japan)
- IPSI Steering Committee Thirteenth Meeting (29–30 September 2018, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, Japan)
- IPSI-7: The Seventh IPSI Global Conference (29 September–2 October 2018, Kanazawa, Japan)
- CBD COP14 Side Event “Socio Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes for Biodiversity and Livelihood: Roles in Post 2020 Global Biodiversity Framework” and “Consolidation and Replication of Effective Landscape Approaches for Biodiversity Conservation and Human Livelihoods” (17 November 2018, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt)
- CBD COP14 Side Event “Consolidation and Replication of Effective Landscape Approaches for Biodiversity Conservation and Human Livelihoods” (19 November 2018, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt)

2019

- Regional Consultation Workshop on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework for Asia and the Pacific Side Event “Multi-stakeholder Partnership to Enhance Landscape and Seascape Approaches for Biodiversity Conservation and Human Livelihood” (29 January 2019, Nagoya, Japan)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop “Understanding the multiple values associated with sustainable use in socio-ecological production landscapes and seascapes (SEPLS)” (28–30 May 2019, Tokyo, Japan)
- High level Political Forum on Sustainable Development 2019 Side Event “Satoyama Initiative – Society in harmony with Nature: An inclusive approach for Communities on Landscapes and Seascapes” (15 July 2019, New York, USA)
- IPSI Steering Committee Fourteenth Meeting (SC-14, 2 September 2019, Kumamoto, Japan)
- IPSI-8: The Eighth IPSI Global Conference and Expert Thematic Workshop on Landscape Approaches for the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (2–6 September 2019, Kumamoto, Japan)
- CBD SBSTTA-23 Side Event “Outcomes of the Expert Thematic Workshop on Landscape Approaches for the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework” (27 November 2019, Montreal, Canada)
- UNFCCC COP25 SDGs Side Event “Climate & SDGs Synergy Approach — Achieving 2050 Carbon Neutrality & Securing Human Well-being” (11 December 2019, Madrid, Spain)

2020

- “Informal Meeting on Landscape and Seascape Approaches and their Relevance to the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework” held on the margin of the CBD Second meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (WG2020-2). (23 February 2020, Rome, Italy)
- Comparative & International Education Society (CIES) Annual Conference Session “Generating Transformative Change through Reframing Education Within and Beyond School Settings” (8 April, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-14a, May 2020, email-based)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop 2020 “Transformative Change through the Multiple Benefits of Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)” (22–26 June 2020, Online)
- UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) 2020 Side Event “Satoyama Initiative – Societies in Harmony with Nature: An Inclusive Approach for Communities, Landscapes and Seascapes” (16 July 2020, Online)
- CBD Thematic Consultation on Sustainable Use of Biological Diversity for the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (27 July–8 October, Online)

- Biodiversity Summit (30 September 2020, Online) Video Message by the Director of UNU-IAS
- Global Landscapes Digital Conference Session: “Seizing the Landscape Opportunity to Catalyse Transformative Biodiversity Governance” (29 October 2020, Online)
- International Forum for Sustainable Asia and the Pacific (ISAP) 2020 Thematic Track Session “The Satoyama Initiative, Transformative Change, and Societies in Harmony with Nature” (12 November 2020, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-15, December 2020, Online)

2021

- CBD Informal Session for SBSTTA-24 (17–26 February 2021, Online)
- CBD Informal Session for SBI-3 (8–14 March 2021, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Subsidiary Meeting (March 2021, Online)
- UNU-IAS OUIK Webinar: The Coastal Seascapes We Want! – Voices of Women Scientists in Ocean Research (17 May 2021)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop 2021 “The Nexus between Biodiversity, Health, and Sustainable Development in Managing Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)” (28–30 June 2021, Online)
- UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) 2021 Side Event “Satoyama Initiative – Healthy Planet, Healthy People: Role of Satoyama Initiative for Green and Blue Recovery” (9 July 2021, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-15a, July 2021, email based)
- IPSI Sub-committee First Meeting on Strategy and Plan of Action (24 September 2021)
- IPSI Sub-committee Second Meeting on Strategy and Plan of Action (1 December 2021)
- International Forum for Sustainable Asia and the Pacific (ISAP) 2021 Thematic Track Session “Landscape Approaches for Biodiversity, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Co-benefits” (2 December 2021, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-16, 14 December 2021, Online)

2022

- First Symposium on Community-based Activities and Governance for Seascape Restoration (9 February 2022, Online)
- Expert dialogue “Making OECMs Work: Production Landscapes for Effective Area-Based Conservation” (25 February 2022, Online)
- CBD WG2020-3 Side Event “Mainstreaming Landscape Perspectives Into the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework” (17 March 2022, Geneva, Switzerland and Online)
- CBD SBI-3 Side Event “Integrating landscape approaches into National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans (NBSAPs)” (18 March 2022, Geneva, Switzerland and Online)
- CBD SBSTTA-24 Side Event “Making OECMs Work: Production Landscapes for Effective Area-based Conservation” (24 March 2022, Geneva, Switzerland and Online)
- Virtual consultation workshop on a draft manual on the application of landscape approaches in the updating and implementation of NBSAPs (25–26 April 2022, Online)

- “Strengthening Interlinkages Amongst Biodiversity, Health, and Well-being in SEPLS” (27 April 2022, Online)
- International Day for Biological Diversity 2022 Symposium “Building a Shared Future for All Life” (20 May 2022, Online)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop 2022 “Ecosystem Restoration through Managing Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)” (30 May -1 June 2022, Online)
- IPSI Sub-committee Third Meeting on Strategy and Plan of Action (13 June 2022, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-16a, June 2022, email-based)
- CBD WG2020-4 (21-26 June 2022, Nairobi, Kenya and online)
- UN High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2022 Side Event “The Satoyama Initiative and Building Back Better” (13 July 2022, Online)
- Climate & SDGs Synergy Conference Side Event “Catalysing Nature-based Solutions for Biodiversity, Climate Change and Sustainable Development through Ecosystem Restoration” (20 July 2022, Tokyo, Japan and Online)
- Second Symposium on Community-based Activities and Governance for Seascape Restoration (20 September 2022, Tokyo, Japan and Online)
- IPSI Sub-committee Fourth Meeting on Strategy and Plan of Action (4 October 2022, Online)
- Seminar on International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI) “Montology Palimpsest: The New Geographies of Mountain Conservation” (11 November 2022, Tokyo, Japan)
- ISAP 2022 Thematic Track Session “Transformative Actions for a Nature-positive Society from SATOYAMA Initiative towards 2030” (2 December 2022, Online)
- CBD COP15 Side Event “The Satoyama Initiative: A Decade of Working for Societies in Harmony with Nature” (7 December 2022, Montreal, Canada)
- CBD COP15 Side Event “Exploring Nature Positive Pathways” (8 December 2022, Montreal, Canada)
- CBD COP15 parallel event “OECMs and Green Economies: Productive Landscapes for Nature-positive Society” (8 December 2022, Montreal, Canada)
- CBD COP15 parallel event “IPSI 10th Anniversary Evening Cocktails” (10 December 2022, Montreal, Canada)
- CBD COP15 Side Event “Nature-based Solutions to Climate Change and other Social Challenges by Conservation and Restoration of Mangrove Ecosystem, focusing on its Multiple Services” (14 December 2022, Montreal, Canada)
- CBD COP15 Side Event “COMDEKS Phase 4: Contribution of the Satoyama Initiative to the Post-2020 GBF” (16 December 2022, Montreal, Canada)

2023

- SDM 2022 Inception Workshop (30 January 2023, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-17, 3 and 28 February 2023, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-18, 24 May 2023, Online)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop 2023 “Business and Biodiversity: Reciprocal Connections in the Context of Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)” (5 -7 July 2023, Akita, Japan)
- IPSI-9: The Ninth Global Conference of IPSI (8-11 July 2023, Akita, Japan)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-19, 11 July 2023, Akita, Japan)

- UN High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2023 Side Event “Implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework through the Satoyama Initiative/COMDEKS 4” (13 July 2023, Online)
- CBD SBSTTA-25 Side Event “Catalysing Nature-based Solutions for Biodiversity, Climate Change and Sustainable Development through Ecosystem Restoration” (16 October 2023, Nairobi, Kenya)
- UNFCCC COP28 Parallel Event at the Resilience Hub “Advancing Disaster Risk Reduction & Ecosystem Restoration for Climate Adaptation” (8 December 2023, Dubai, United Arab Emirates)
- The First AEON SATOYAMA Forum (12 December, Tokyo, Japan)

2024

- SDM 2023 Inception Workshop (17 January 2024, Online)
- Regional Dialogue on National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) for South and East Asia Special Session “Integration of Landscape Approaches into NBSAPs” (23 January 2024, Tokyo, Japan)
- ISAP 2023 Thematic Track Session “SEPLS Management as Integrated, Inclusive and Localised Actions towards a Nature Positive Society” (29 January 2024, Online)
- SDM 2022 Closing Workshop (29 January 2024, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-20, 8 February 2024, Online)
- Webinar by UNU-IAS and IGES “Acting for Biodiversity at the Landscape Level” (8 May 2024, Online)
- CBD SBI-4 Side Event “What Incentives Work for Biodiversity at the Local Level? A Conversation on Profiling Subsidies and Incentives for Sub-National Implementation” (23 May 2024, Nairobi, Kenya)
- ACUNS session “Advancing Socio-ecological Resilience to Promote Coherence among and between Policy and Practice” (22 June 2024, Tokyo, Japan and Online)
- ACUNS session “Business and Biodiversity for Sustainable Development: Perspectives from Productive Landscapes and Seascapes” (22 June 2024, Tokyo, Japan and Online)
- IPSI Case Study Workshop 2024 “Ensuring Ecological Connectivity in Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS)” (23–25 June 2024, Tokyo, Japan)
- Resilience Indicators Workshop (24 July 2024, Online)
- UN High Level Political Forum on Sustainability Development 2024 Side Event “Societies in Harmony with Nature: Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities through the Implementation of the Satoyama Initiative and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework” (17 July 2024, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-21 Part 1, 22 August 2024, Online)
- Mini-stage event at the Yokohama Biodiversity Festival: Tokoro-san no Megaten! and the Satoyama Initiative (31 August 2024, Yokohama, Kanagawa, Japan)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-21 Part 2, 5 September 2024, Online)
- ISAP 2024 Thematic Track “Can Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes and Seascapes (SEPLS) Promote Sustainable Food Systems? Linking Science and Practice” (10 September 2024, Online)
- CBD COP16 Side Event “Operationalizing Landscape Approaches to Ensure We Are on Track with the Biodiversity Plan” (22 October 2024, Cali, Colombia)
- CBD COP16 Side Event “Landscape Approaches as a Lever to Reduce Conflicts for Living in Harmony with Nature” (29 October 2024, Cali, Colombia)

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- CBD COP16 Side Event “COMDEKS Phase 4 and the Satoyama Initiative: Societies in Harmony with Nature” (30 October 2024, Cali, Colombia)
 - CBD COP16 Side Event “Working Together to Realize Societies in Harmony with Nature: Mechanisms and Tools to Support On-the-ground Initiatives” (31 October 2024, Cali, Colombia)
 - IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-22 Part 1, 4 December 2024, Online)
 - UNFCCC COP29 Side Event at the SDGs Pavilion “Operationalizing Multi-scale Policy Coherence for Climate Action” (15 November 2024, Baku, Azerbaijan)
 - UNFCCC COP29 Side Event “Synergistic Solutions: Overcoming Silos and Policy Incoherence to Close the Climate and SDGs Ambition Gap” (16 November 2024, Baku, Azerbaijan)
 - UNCCD COP16 Side Event “Operationalizing Integrated Landscape Approaches Towards Socio-ecological Resilience” (10 December 2024, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)
 - UNCCD COP16 Side Event “Leveraging Landscape Approaches Towards Policy Coherence” (11 December 2024, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

2025

- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-22 Part 2, 14 January 2025, Online)
- Inception Workshop for SDM2024 (6 February 2025, Online)
- IPSI Steering Committee Meeting (SC-22 Part 3, 12 February 2025, Online)
- The Second AEON SATOYAMA Forum (18 February 2025, Online)



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