



Complementary partner - TOPIC 4: Smart natural resources management, from emerging uses as biomass to new challenges as environmental services payment

Name of the Project: **2Bparks** – Creative sustainable management, territorial compatible marketing and environmental education To Be Parks



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Methodological recommendations [Linked with the e.Book contents](#)

Cross-sectoral components: C1. Governance and participation involvement; C2. Operational and R+D priorities; C3. Target group focused communication needs; C4. Financial needs and opportunities

Approaches to assess and value ecosystem services in the EU – C2

- ✓ Numerous **initiatives and approaches** ongoing to **classify, assess and value ecosystem services**.
- ✓ These approaches are highly diverse and reflect a **wide range of options available for assessing and evaluating ecosystem services**.
- ✓ **None** of the initiatives **has yet reached a stage of full maturity** in terms of methods and application.
- ✓ There is a **need for further harmonization** of the various approaches, or **at least the recognition of which are the main commonalities and in particular the differences** existing in these approaches.
- ✓ There is a **need for testing** these different approaches **to further develop and explore the possibilities for stabilisation of methodologies**, based on available knowledge, data and information.
- ✓ There is a **need to integrate the value of ecosystem services in existing accounting and reporting frameworks** (in each Member State and at EU level).