



System of
Environmental
Economic
Accounting

Second Mission to Brazil

24-28 September 2018

Brasilia and
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Agenda



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Background

1. Brazil has been one of the pioneers in the compilation of the System of Environmental-Economic Accounting (SEEA) in Latin America. The Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) has made important advances in land cover and use accounts, recently the National Water Agency (ANA, for its acronym in Portuguese) together with IBGE and other agencies published the first Brazilian water accounts which was launched during the World Water Forum organized in Brasilia in March 2018.
2. As part of the EU-funded project, Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services, Brazil will make further inroads in environmental-economic accounting with piloting SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounts.
3. President Michel Temer recently signed a new law requiring the calculation of Green Domestic Product in Brazil. The legislation, which was signed on 17 October 2017, stipulates that IBGE is required to calculate the Green Domestic Product of Brazil using the System of Environmental Economic Accounting and taking into consideration national and international initiatives. The legislation stipulates that the computation of Green Domestic Product must be aligned with the SEEA in order to allow for comparability with other countries.
4. The EU funded project on Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services was formally launched during a mission of the project team in May 2017 during a stakeholder consultation meeting. Following on the outcomes of the mission and subsequent discussions as a result of the PIV law, it was decided, in agreement with IBGE, that the project will work in parallel on the following two workstream:
 - a. Compilation of pilot ecosystem accounting following the SEEA EEA approach in the Matopiba region;
 - b. Development of a national plan for advancing and implementing the SEEA in the context of the recently adopted PIV law on the basis of an assessment of activities and initiatives related to environmental-economic accounting.
5. A follow up mission is proposed to take place from 24-28 September 2018 that will focus on engaging stakeholders in the government, understanding existing initiatives and activities as well as available data with the objective of developing a national plan that identifies timeline, deliverables and stakeholders involved.

Objectives

The objectives of the mission are to:

- a. Set the stage for the development of a national plan through bilateral meetings with various national stakeholders to understand existing initiatives, activities and priorities related to the SEEA implementation in Brazil;
 - b. Organize a stakeholder consultation meeting at the senior level to foster a dialogue between the national stakeholders from various ministries and agencies in Brazil in particular on the SEEA implementation in Brazil and in particular to discuss possible governance mechanism to support the implementation of the SEEA, priorities of implementation as well as how the international agencies can support this effort in view of the recently adopted law on green GDP. In particular, the objectives of the meetings are to:
 - i. Discuss the draft PIV decree, including a prioritization of types of accounts in the light of Brazilian policy priorities.
 - ii. Identify existing initiatives and opportunities to use the Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project as an opportunity to bring these initiatives together, in particular concerning the development of the SEEA as an integrated framework to support the various initiatives.
 - iii. Share experiences and learn from experiences of other countries of what has worked and what has not work, with regards to institutional mechanisms and coordination structures in the implementation of the SEEA
 - iv. Discuss and identify next steps for each of the identified priority accounts and testing of indicators to be derived from the SEEA.
 - c. To hold technical discussions with UFRJ and IBGE on the ecosystem accounting pilot (workstream 1)
6. It is envisaged that the mission has the following components:
- a. Brasilia: Bilateral consultative meetings on 24, 25 and 26 September in Brasilia between UNSD, UN Environment, IBGE and various national stakeholders, including the EU delegation, ECLAC office and UN Environment offices in Brasilia.
 - b. Brasilia: A Stakeholder consultation meeting on 27 September
 - c. Rio: bilateral discussions with IBGE and UFRJ.

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24 September 2018 (Monday)

Time	Bilateral meetings between project team and international agencies
10.30-11:30	UN Environment Brasilia <i>UNSD, UN Environment, IBGE</i>
Casa das Nações Unidas no Brasil Complexo Sergio Vieira de Mello Módulo II – Prédio Zilda Arns Setor de Embaixadas Norte, Quadra 802 Conjunto C, Lote 17 Brasília - DF CEP: 70800-400 Tel. (55) 61 30389233	
11.30-12:30	UNDP <i>UNSD, UN Environment, IBGE</i>
Ibid, Modulo I	
14:00- 14:30	UN Resident Coordinator <i>UNSD, UN Environment, IBGE</i>
15:00- 16:00	UN ECLAC – Brasilia <i>UNSD, UN Environment, IBGE</i>
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16:30-17:30	EU delegation <i>IBGE, UNSD, UN Environment, IBGE</i>
SHIS QI 07 Bloco A- Lago Sul – Brasília, DF. CEP 71615710	

25 September 2018 (Tuesday)

Time/ Venue	Bilateral meetings between project team and Brazilian authorities in Brasilia Chair: IBGE
9.30-11:30 MPDG Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco K. Sala Brasil de Todos, 3º andar	Ministry of Planning, Development and Management (MPDG) Policy alignment with the participation of Casa Civil <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and introductions• Presentation on the status of the environmental-economic accounts in Brazil and proposal for next steps – <i>IBGE</i>• International best practices in SEEA implementation and the objectives of the Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project in Brazil: (<i>UNSD Environmental-Economic Accounts Section</i>)• Institutional framework: The need of stakeholders' engagement for implementing Environmental-Economic Accounts and the PIV law (<i>Casa Civil</i>)• Environmental-Economic Accounts and the PIV: Assessment on the current debate from the Ministry of Planning perspective (<i>MPDG</i>)• Discussion and next steps for each of the priority accounts
12:00-13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00-16:00 Prédio do MMA 505 norte (SEPN 505, Bloco B, Ed. Marie Prendi Cruz) Sala CT-01, 1º andar	Ministry of Environment (MMA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening remarks and presentation on the status of environmental-economic accounts in Brazil and brief assessment of current initiatives and projects (<i>IBGE/DGC/DPE</i>)• International best practices in SEEA implementation (<i>Alessandra Alfieri and Peter Harper - former Chair of the UN Committee of Experts on Environmental Economic Accounting</i>)• Objectives of the Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project in Brazil: (<i>Bram Edens</i>)• Identifying initiatives and existing opportunities within MMA in the context of natural capital accounts in the following areas:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Biodiversity○ Forestry○ Water• Discussion how SEEA accounts may support different policy demands and initiatives; collaboration, institutional partnerships, next steps.

26 September 2018 (Wednesday)

Time/Venue	Bilateral meetings between project team and Brazilian authorities in Brasilia (continued) Chair: IBGE
9:30-11:00 Esplanada dos Ministérios, bloco E Sala dos Conselhos, 5º andar	Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communications (MCTIC) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening remarks and presentation on the status of environmental-economic accounts in Brazil and brief assessment of current initiatives and projects (IBGE/DGC/DPE)• Overview of how SEEA can support climate change related policies (Alessandra Alfieri)• Objectives of the Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project in Brazil: (<i>Bram Edens</i>)• Identifying relevant initiatives and existing opportunities within MCTIC• Discussion how SEEA accounts may support different policy demands and initiatives; collaboration, institutional partnerships, next steps.
11:30-13:00 Embrapa Sede, bloco D, Secretaria de Inteligência e Relações Estratégicas (SIRE) Sala Peixe-Boi	Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation - EMBRAPA Soils <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening remarks and presentation on the status of environmental-economic accounts in Brazil and brief assessment of current initiatives and projects (IBGE/DGC/DPE)• Objectives of the Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project in Brazil (<i>Bram Edens</i>)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Global and national soil accounts○ Piloting ecosystem accounts in Matopiba• Discussion on potential collaboration
14:00-16:00 ANA - Setor Policial Sul área 5, quadra 3 Sala de vidro (Bloco M)	National Water Agency – ANA <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening remarks and presentation on the status of environmental-economic accounts in Brazil and brief assessment of current initiatives and projects (IBGE/DGC/DPE)• International best practices in SEEA implementation and the objectives of the Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project in Brazil: (<i>UNSD Environmental-Economic Accounts Section</i>)

- Discussion on future plans for Brazilian water accounts and linkages to ecosystem accounting project

27 September 2018 (Thursday) - Brasilia

Time	Stakeholders' Consultation Plenary Meeting Venue: Escola Nacional de Administração Pública – ENAP Sala 124, Brasília 9:00 – 13:00
9:00- 9:15	Welcome and opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Casa Civil</i> • <i>IBGE</i> • <i>UN Statistics Division</i> • <i>UN Environment</i> • <i>EU Delegation</i>
9:15 – 9:45	Overview of the SEEA and international experiences in implementing SEEA. <i>Peter Harper - Former Deputy Australian Statistician at ABS and former Chair of the UN Committee of Experts on Environmental Economic Accounting</i> <i>Alessandra Alfieri – United Nations Statistics Division,</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEEA as the international standard adopted for environmental-economic accounts • The Australian Experience in implementing the SEEA • Other international experiences: towards a national plan • Deriving headline indicators
9:45 – 10:00	National experiences on SEEA implementation and Internal Green Product – PIV <i>Roberto Olinto – President, IBGE</i>
10:00 – 10:15	Presentation of draft PIV Decree <i>Andre de Andrade – Casa Civil</i> Establishing the institutional framework, national coordination mechanisms and institutional arrangements.
10:15-10:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
10:30-12:30	Tour de table and debate <i>All participants</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General impressions about the SEEA and the PIV Decree;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant fields in Brazil for the SEEA implementation (e.g. water, forests, energy); • In what extent the SEEA and PIV outcomes can be used in public policies (e.g. policy design, decision making, implementation and monitoring) • SEEA, PIV and the 2030 Agenda (e.g. SDG): How to build bridges? • Next steps towards a National Plan for advancing PIV Verde and SEEA implementation
12:30 – 12:45	<p>Closing remarks <i>Casa Civil; IBGE; UNSD; UN Environment; EU delegation</i></p>

28 September 2018 (Thursday)- Rio de Janeiro

Time/Venue	Bilateral meetings between project team with IBGE
9:00 – 12:00 IBGE CIC Av. Franklin Roosevelt, 166/10º andar	<p>Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services Project <i>IBGE, LAMPEGE/UFRJ, UN Statistics Division, UN Environment</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of the project in Brazil (<i>IBGE</i>) • Presentation of the technical and methodological approach for the implementation of the project (<i>LAMPEGE/UFRJ</i>) • Challenges and project development (<i>IBGE</i>) • Discussion on international expectations in respect to the project and next steps (<i>UNSD</i>)
12:30 -13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00-16:00	<p>Energy Research Corporation - EPE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advances in design of Energy accounts (<i>IBGE – DPE</i>) • Presentation of the National Energy Balance: main data source for energy accounts (<i>EPE</i>) • Discussion on the next steps for each of the SEEA environmental-economic accounts as an integrated framework to support different initiatives (<i>UNSD</i>)
