# Environmental, economic and social sustainability in the landscape: Synergy between MAB and the Satoyama Initiative

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# What is the Satoyama Initiative?

• A global effort to realize "societies in harmony with nature"

 Promotes sustainable resource use and conservation at the landscape level





#### **Vision:**

Societies in harmony with nature



#### **Three-fold Approach:**

- I.Consolidate wisdom on securing diverse ecosystem services and values
- 2.Integrate traditional ecological knowledge and modern science
- 3.Explore new forms of co-management systems

# Socio-ecological production landscapes and seascapes (SEPLS)

- Support biodiversity while providing humans with the ecosystem services needed for their well-being
- Mutual benefits between human production and nature
- Dynamic mosaics of habitats and land uses
- Deeply linked to local culture and knowledge







Socio-ecological production landscapes and seascapes around the world

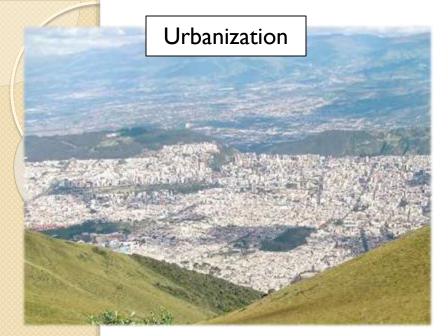














## **Threats and Challenges**





# Revitalization and Sustainable Landscape Management

Holistic landscape/seascape-scale approach

Multi-faceted, multi-stakeholder, multi-level



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Similar concepts, different approaches



Designated Biosphere Reserves



Principles that can apply anywhere

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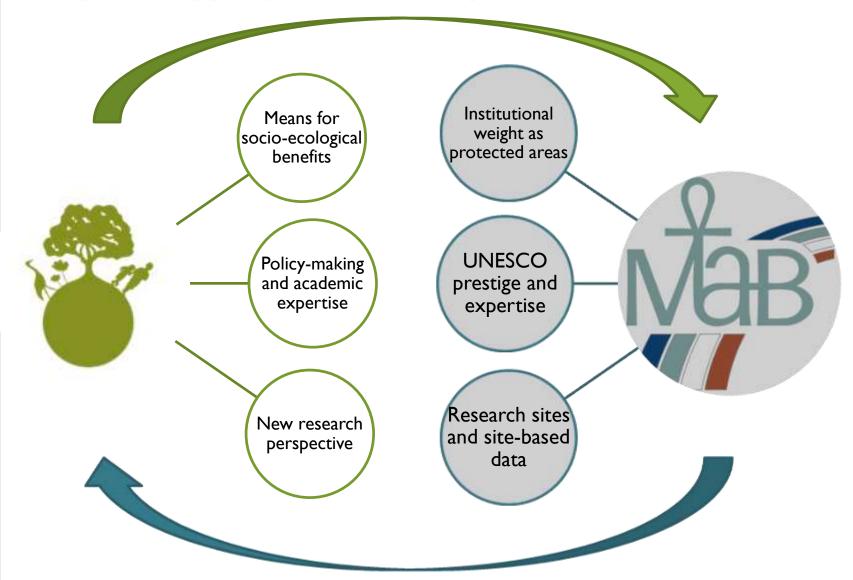


Does it fulfill the criteria for a Biosphere Reserve?



• To what extent does it provide mutual benefits for biodiversity and human wellbeing?

## Synergy (not competition) #I



### Synergy (not competition) #2

SI principles applied in the landscape



MAB certification





Increased effectiveness of BRs



Improved socio-ecological benefits

# The International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI)

- 184 member organizations (gov't, NGO, private sector, academic, etc.) all over the world
- Promotes networking and collaboration
- UNESCO is already a member! We look forward to continued and improved collaboration!





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