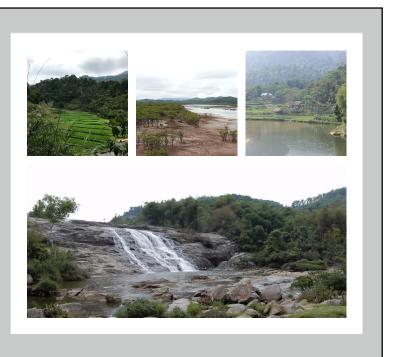
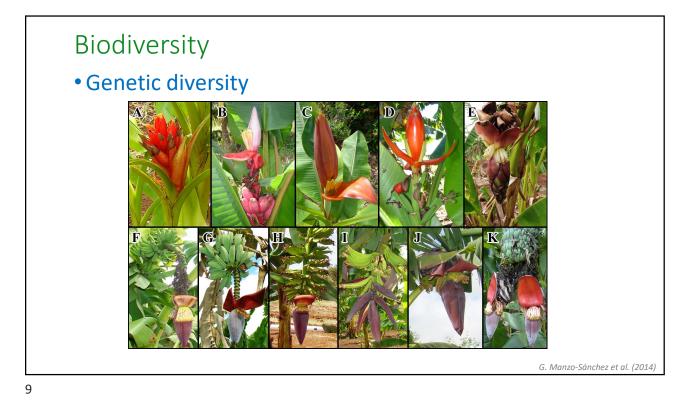


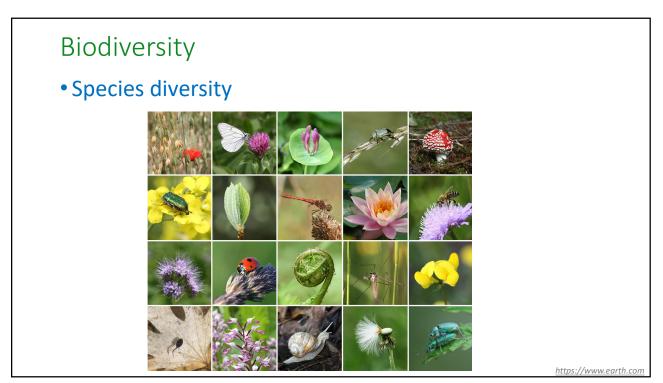
## Biodiversity

- *Biodiversity* commonly refers to the distribution and abundance of plant and animal species within an ecosystem (US Forest Service 1989).
- Biodiversity, which represents the variety and variability of life in all its forms (e.g., species, genes, etc.) (J. Qi et al, 2018).
- Biodiversity (Biological diversity) is the occurrence of different types of ecosystems, different species of organisms with the whole range of their variants and genes adapted to different climates, and environments along with their interactions and processes (Muralikrishna et al., 2017).

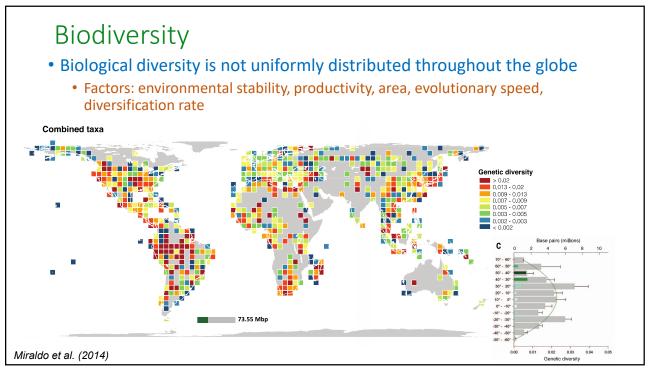


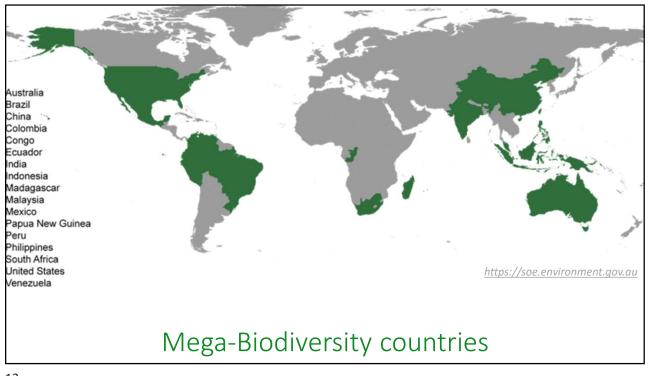


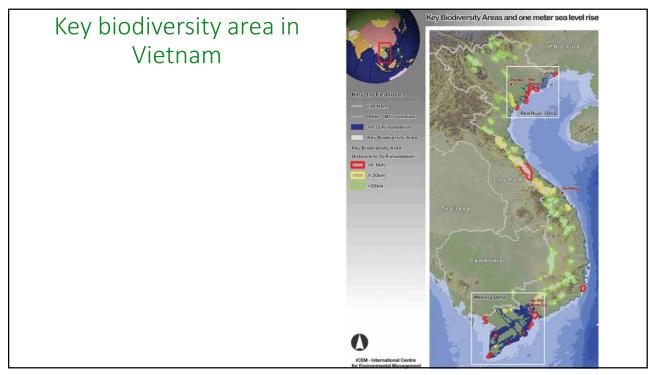






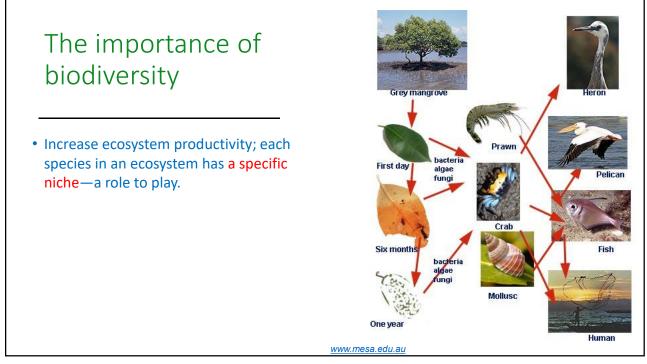


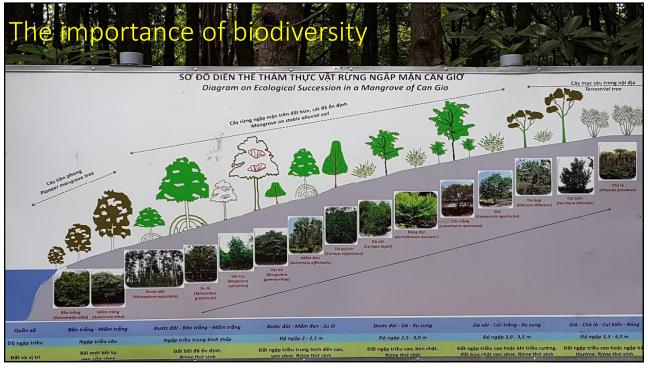




## Quiz 1

- What is the importance of biodiversity?
  - You can take 10 minutes to think and write the keywords that indicate the importance of biodiversity?







# The importance of biodiversity

- Protect freshwater resources.
- Promote soils formation and protection.
- Provide for nutrient storage and recycling.



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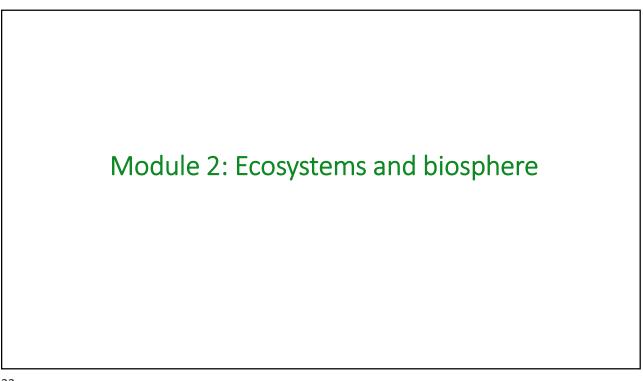
# The importance of biodiversity

Biodiversity is essential for the Earth's functioning and our basic survival and well-being, which is not entirely correlated to consumption or monetary income, but relates to nature, social relationships, knowledge, and politics

- Provide for nutrient storage and recycling.
- Aid in breaking down pollutants.
- Contribute to climate stability.
- Speed recovery from natural disasters and climate change
- Provide more medicinal resources and pharmaceutical drugs.
- Offer environments for recreation and tourism.

# Biodiversity loss

- Biodiversity loss is seen as a problem, given the vital importance of biodiversity for sustaining ecosystem functioning and preventing ecosystems from shifting into undesired states
- Causes of biodiversity loss
  - Habitat destruction
  - Habitat fragmentation
  - Pollution
  - Human impacts

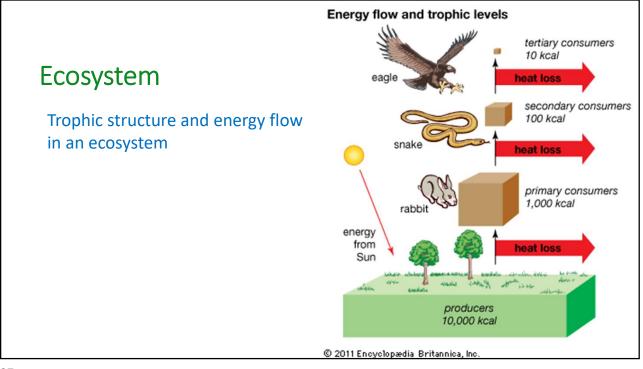


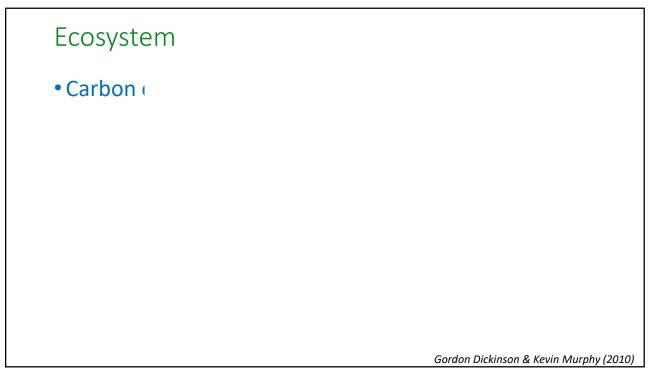
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Energy flow through an ecosystem					
Energy sinks		Energy flow			
atmospheric heating + weather	SUN ↓	$(kJ.m^{-2}.yr^{-1})$ 20 × 10 <sup>6</sup>			
water + mineral cycles	ATMOSPHERE ↓	$4 \times 10^6$			
photosynthesis losses	$\begin{array}{c} ECOSYSTEM \\ \downarrow \\ $	$2 \times 10^6$			
conversion losses (P-C1)	AUTOTROPHS (P) $\downarrow$	8,000			
conversion losses (C1-C2)	HETEROTROPHS (C1) $\downarrow$	800			
conversion losses (C2–C3)	HETEROTROPHS (C2)	150			
		Gordon Dickinson & Kevin Murphy (2010)			



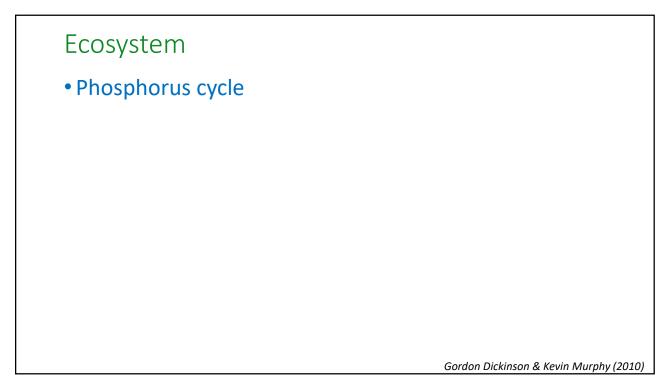




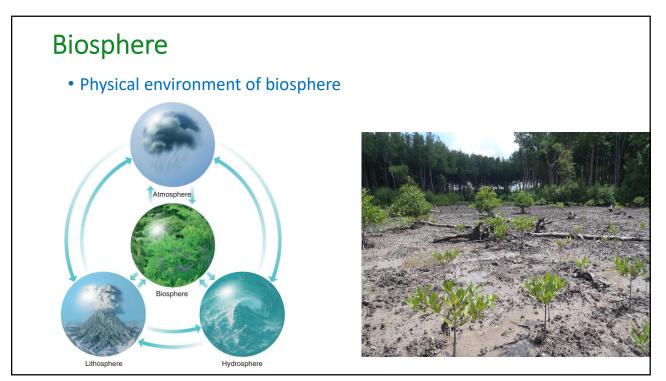
Ecosystem

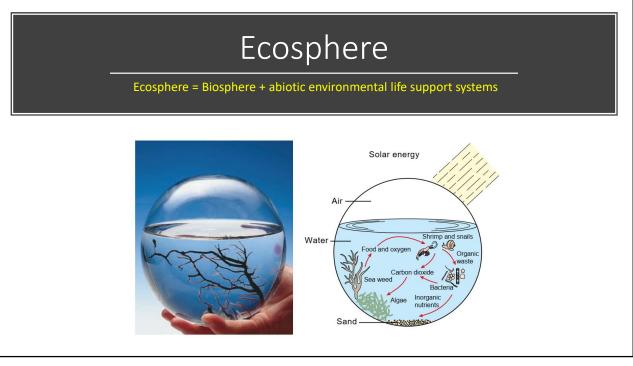
## • Nitrogen cycle

Gordon Dickinson & Kevin Murphy (2010)



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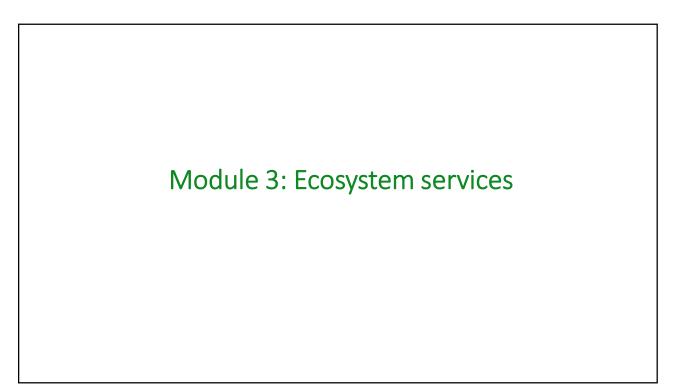


# Many scales of ecosystem in biosphere

- Ecosystems exist at spatial scales from a crack in a rock to rainforest or oceanic ecosystems, covering areas of thousands of square kilometers
- Boundaries of ecosystems coincide with natural spatial features, such as an island or a type of vegetation, such as a forest.



	Hierarchy	Level of integrat	ion	Links
Hierarchy of	Biosphere	↑ ↑	$\downarrow$	Macro-scale environment
life: level of	Biomes	$\uparrow \\ \uparrow$	$\downarrow$	Meso-scale environment
integration and links	Ecosystems	Increasing complexity of organisations	$\downarrow$ $\downarrow$ $\downarrow$	Defined envelope of environment and biota conditions
	Functional groups	↑ ↑ ↑	↓ Decreasing number of individual	Sets of environmental pressures within tolerance range of species making
		↑ ↑	organisms ↓	up functional group
	Communities	↑ ↑ ↑	$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \downarrow \\ \downarrow \\ \downarrow \end{array}$	Sets of environmental pressures within tolerance range of species making up community
	Populations	↑ ↑ ↑	$\downarrow \\ \downarrow \\ \downarrow \\ \downarrow$	Other populations and micro-scale environments
	Organisms	· ↑ ↑	$\rightarrow$ $\rightarrow$ $\rightarrow$ $\rightarrow$ -	Other individuals, of the same and other species, and micro-scale
		Ť	$\downarrow$	environments



## Quiz 2

• What are ecosystem services, please write some keywords of ecosystem services?



https://www.bathnes.gov.uk

#### Quiz 3

• Can you distinguish the goods/products and functions and services?

#### **Ecosystem services**

#### **Products**

- Food
- Fuel wood
- Non-timber forest products
- Fisheries products
- Marine products
- Wetland products
- Medicinal and biomedical products
- Forage and agricultural products
- Water
- Reeds
- Building material

#### **Functions/Services**

#### Hydrological services

- Purification of water
- Capture, storage and release of surface and groundwater
- Mitigation of floods and droughts

#### **Biodiversity**

• Maintenance of biodiversity (plants and animals)

#### Climate

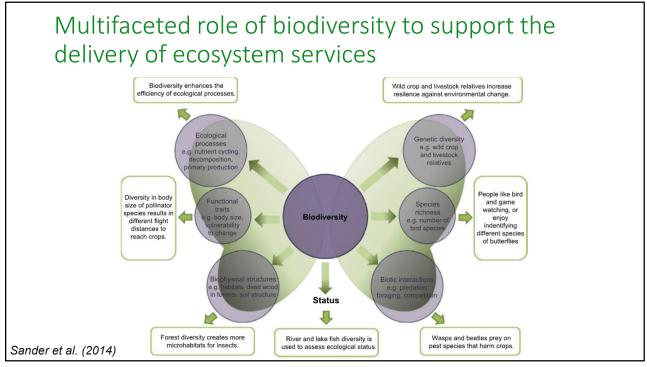
- Partial stabilization of climate through carbon sequestration
- Moderation of temperature extremes and the force of winds and waves

Source: Adapted from Simpson (2001)



- contemplation
- Ecosystems play a pivotal role in creating a sense of place that underpins our mental and spiritual well-being.





## Socioecological system

- Ecosystem services research aims to analyze the relation between the natural environment and human society: the socioecological system
- Socioecological systems are highly complex and poorly understood

