



ONLINE SEMINAR

Papua's Biodiversity and Forest Ecosystems Services: Potential, Policy and Management Challenges and Ways Forward

Papua's abundant tropical forests and biodiversity generate invaluable social and ecological services that benefit humans and other living things, directly and indirectly. They play an important role in providing various products, regulating services (i.e. climate, water), generating cultural services (e.g. spiritual, recreational, aesthetic) and supporting the production of all other ecosystem services. Despite the huge potential of forests in the region - which range from beach ecosystems to alpine regions and mountain forests - climate change, unplanned development of land uses, and unsustainable and ill-equipped management practices continue to threaten and adversely affect land, biodiversity and habitat. The capacity of ecosystems to maintain forest benefits and services into the future continues to be reduced.

In this series, the importance and the potential of forest ecosystems and biodiversity across Papua, and how they are contributing to the national, regional and global agenda will be highlighted. We will also discuss policy and management efforts to conserve biodiversity and maintain the forest ecosystem services and examine how these endeavors have been effective in protecting biodiversity, avoiding habitat loss and controlling environmental damage.

A resource person from the Ministry of Environment and Forestry will outline national strategies and action plans for biodiversity and forest conservation and highlight specific policies on the protection of forested areas and ecosystem services within and outside state forest land. The head of a national park will illustrate how important conserved forests and lands are to maintaining biodiversity, landscapes and environmental services, and to allowing people to live near the park. He will share experiences and challenges that the park management is facing in handling relevant management and field issues.

In addressing issues on how ecosystem services can be better used and how local stakeholders, particularly the indigenous people of Papua, can really benefit from nature, other panellists will talk about green investment and forest-based tourism entrepreneurship.



**THURSDAY
12 NOVEMBER 2020**



**09.00-11.30 (WIB/GMT+7)
11.00-13.30 (WIT/GMT+11)**

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The seminar will be held in Bahasa Indonesia