

# **Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Program (BES)**

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### Who are we?

- Launched: March 2013
- Financed by IDB Ordinary Capital, Multi-Donor Fund, Project Specific Grants
- Benefiting 26 Member countries
- Origins: 2010



### Lines of Action

- 1. Mainstreaming the economics of BES in productive sectors and infrastructure
- 2. Investing in regional priority ecosystems
- 3. Strengthening environmental policy and governance
- 4. Promoting private sector investments that foster innovation in BES conservation

#### Features

- Focus on economics of biodiversity and ecosystem services
- Leverage IDB loans
- Foundational activities
- Linked to a rigorous results framework
- Activities are cooperative and crossdepartmental
- Innovative communications campaign

**BES in 2013** 

### What have we done in 2013?

Mainstreaming in Economic Sectors

Priority Ecosystems

Strengthening Governance

**Private Sector** 

Communications and Outreach



### Mainstreaming in Economic Sectors

- Country Strategies
- Contributing to sector planning: Transport, energy, Water, and Tourism.
- Feasibility analysis for loan in Paraguay
- Biodiversity-inclusive-PES in Honduras
- Capacity Building





### **Priority Ecosystems**

- Prioritize ecosystems in LAC : economic and ecological criteria
- South-South Cooperation: managing marine and freshwater ecosystems

### **Strengthening Environmental Governance**

- LACEEP with CATIE
- Poverty and Protected areas in Brazil
- PES and Indigenous groups in Mexico
- Ecosystem-based fisheries in Argentina
- Ecosystem based coastal protection- economic analysis in Barbados



#### **Private Sector**

- Biodiversity assessment tool for investment officers
- Corporate Ecosystem Valuation
- Working with client banks in developing BES financial products



### **Communications and Outreach**

- Executive training for Board and senior management
- Developing E-training for staff
- Interactive website and Social media: <u>www.iadb.org/biodiversity</u>
- Fact Sheets on BES and economic sectors
- Joint sponsorship of regional events



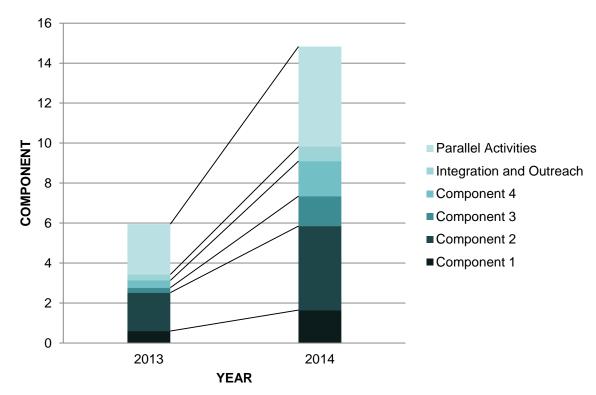


# BES in 2014 and Beyond



## Scaling-up and Fundraising

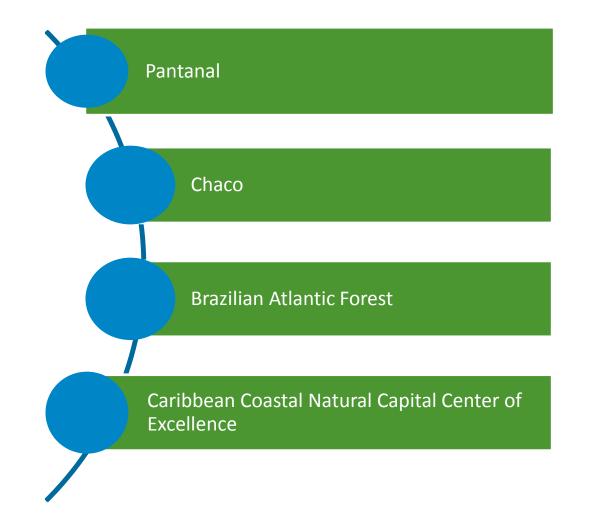
#### Substantial identified demand for 2014 BES Funding



US\$10 million of current potential demand for 2014



#### Priority ecosystems and Center of Excellence





### How to apply for the Fund? (current rules)

- Governments and Regional Institutions: Direct application
- Private Sector, Academia, NGOs: They can apply as long as they do so jointly with a public entity



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