

Economic Valuation of Changes in Ecosystem Services Provision with a Life Cycle Approach

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Summary

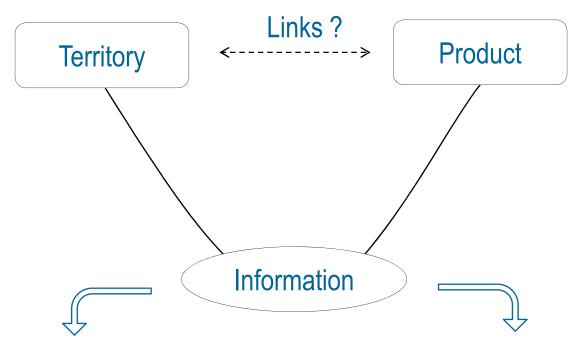
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How to make the link between product and territory?



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What kind of information?

Do we have any information of our environmental impact on the territory?

No, we don't only at the product level with LCA.

To get this information we could use the ES concept.

Why not, it seems to be a good idea.



Integrating ES into LCA would give relevant information

- Existing environmental accounting systems (Zhang et al. 2010; Loiseau et al. 2012)
 - Mass Flow Analysis (MFA)
 - Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)
 - Energy analysis
 - Emergy analysis
 - Ecological footprint analysis
- Some works have been suggested integrating ES into LCA (Bare 2010;
 Hau and Bakshi 2004; Houdet et al. 2009; TEEB 2012; WBCSD 2011; Zhang et al. 2010)



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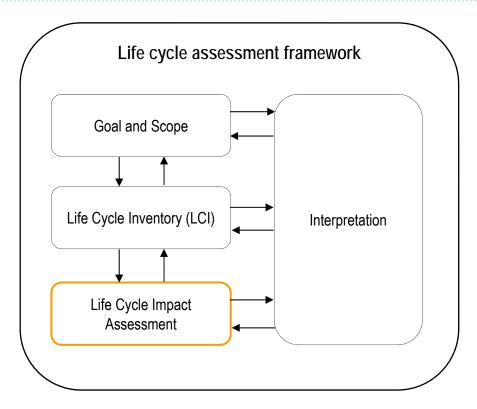
What is LCA?



(Azapagic and Clift 1999; EU 2001; Finnveden et al. 2009; Hunkeler and Rebitzer 2005; Rebitzer et al. 2004)



What is its framework?



(ISO 14040 and 14044, 2006)

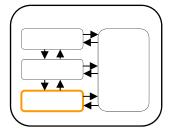


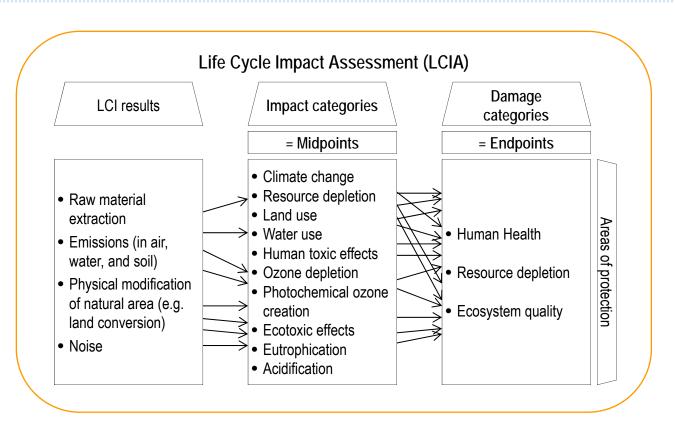
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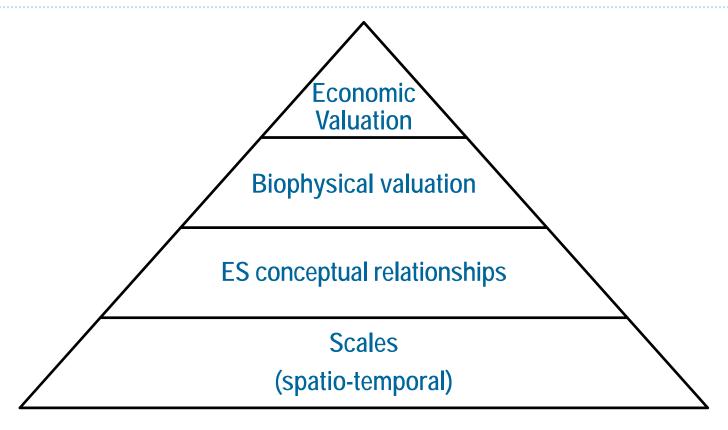
Traditional Life Cycle Impact Assessment







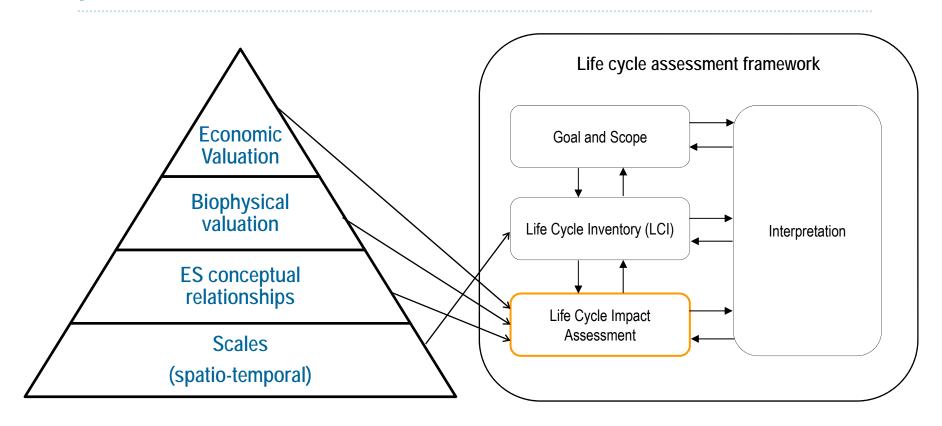
Complexity in ES assessment



(Boyd and Banzhaf 2007, ten Brink, 2008; Fisher et al. 2009; Hein et al. 2006; Hanley and Shogren 2002; Randall 2002; Turner et al. 2003; Wallace, 2007; Yang et al. 2006)

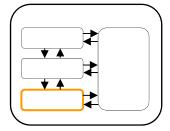


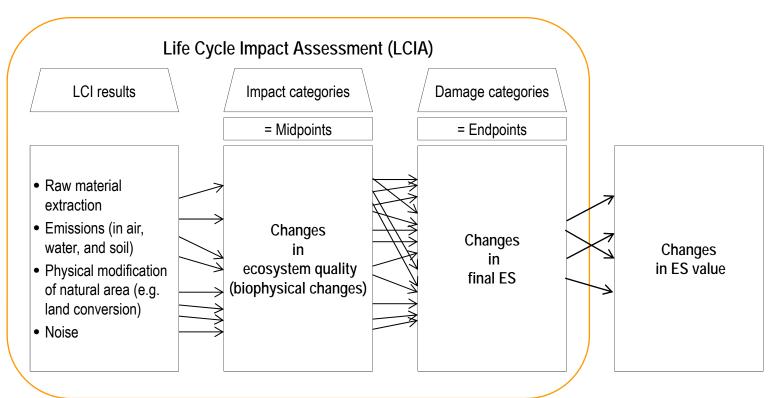
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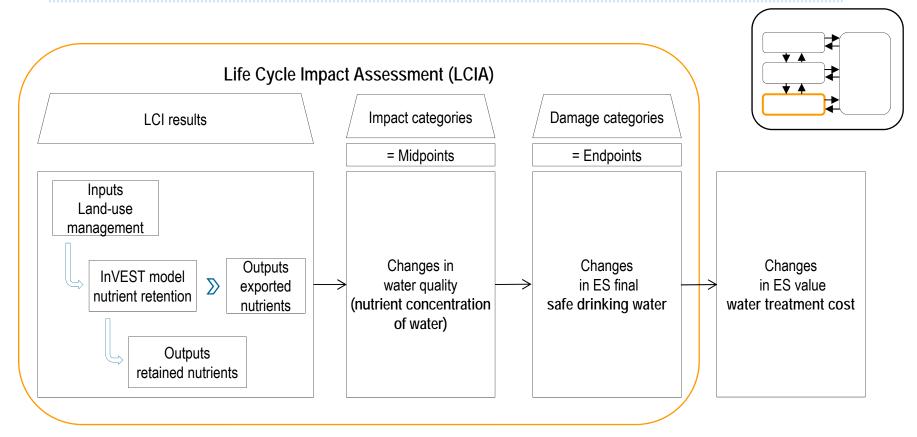
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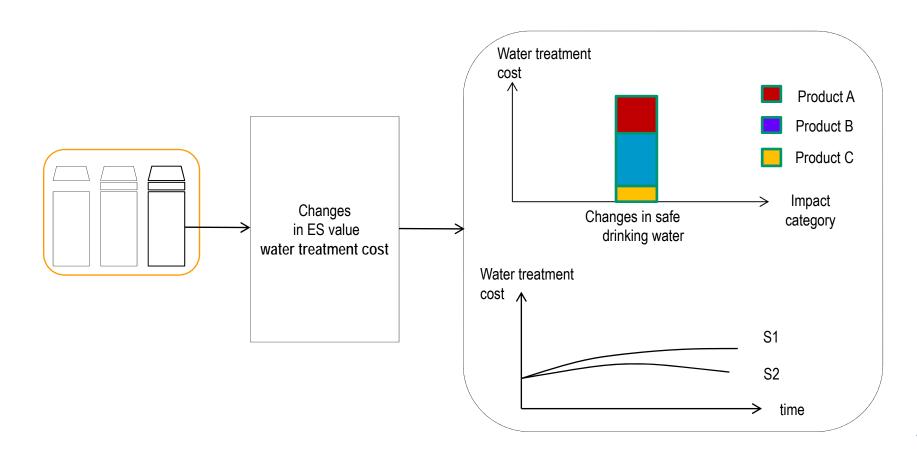


Changes in safe drinking water





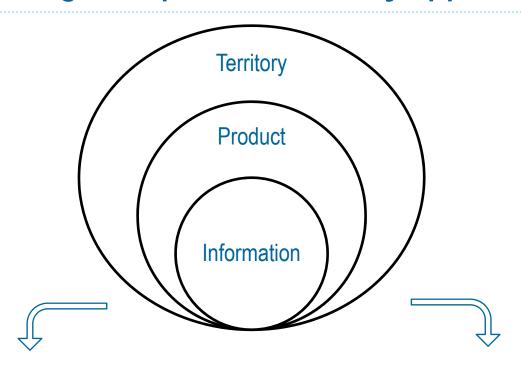
Expected results





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Towards an integrated product-territory approach



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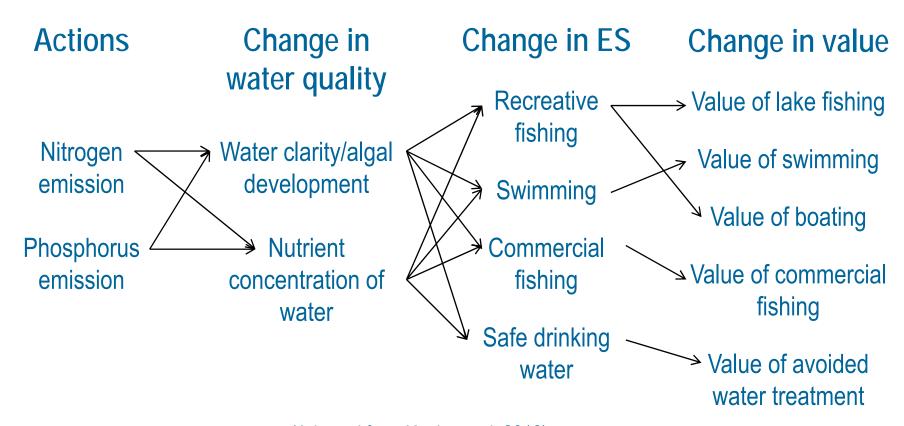
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Linking changes



(Adapted from Keeler et al. 2012)



Change in Safe drinking water: steps

> nutrient emission that reach aquatic system



Define a steady state of concentration (N and P)



Assessing changes in concentration (N and P)



Assessing effect of this changes on water treatment cost



Allocating these cost to emissions