

Natural Capital Accounting National NCA Forum 2022

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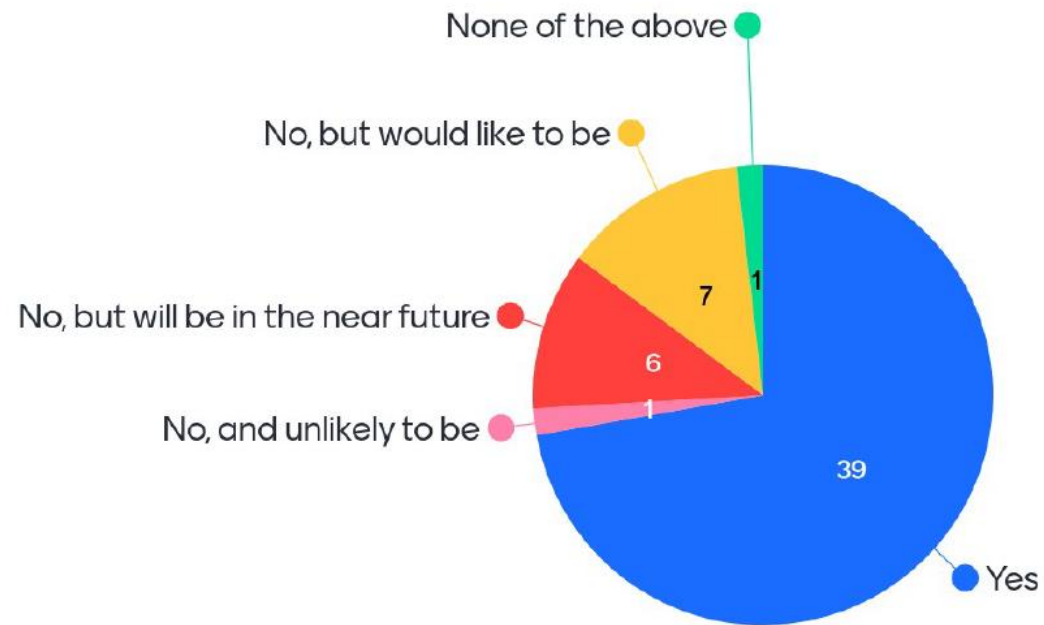
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Session 1: Relationship to NCA

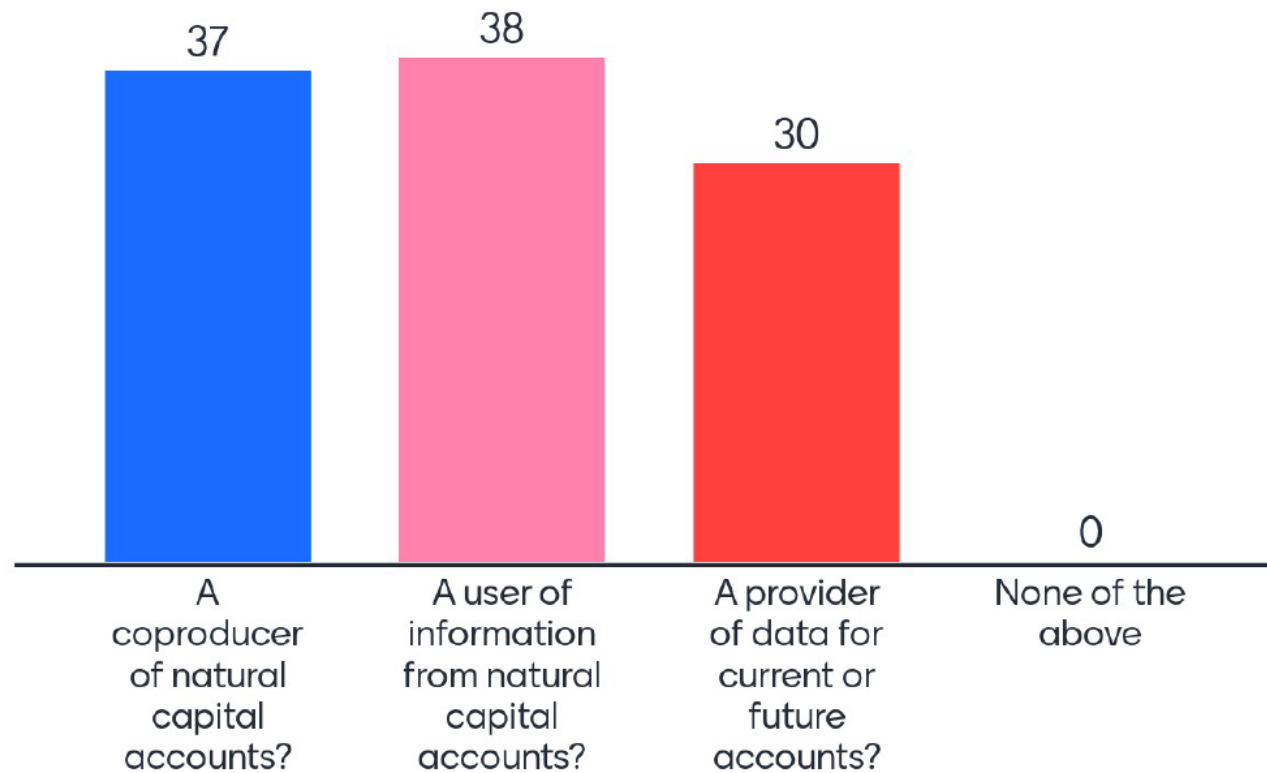
Are you currently involved in NCA work in some way?



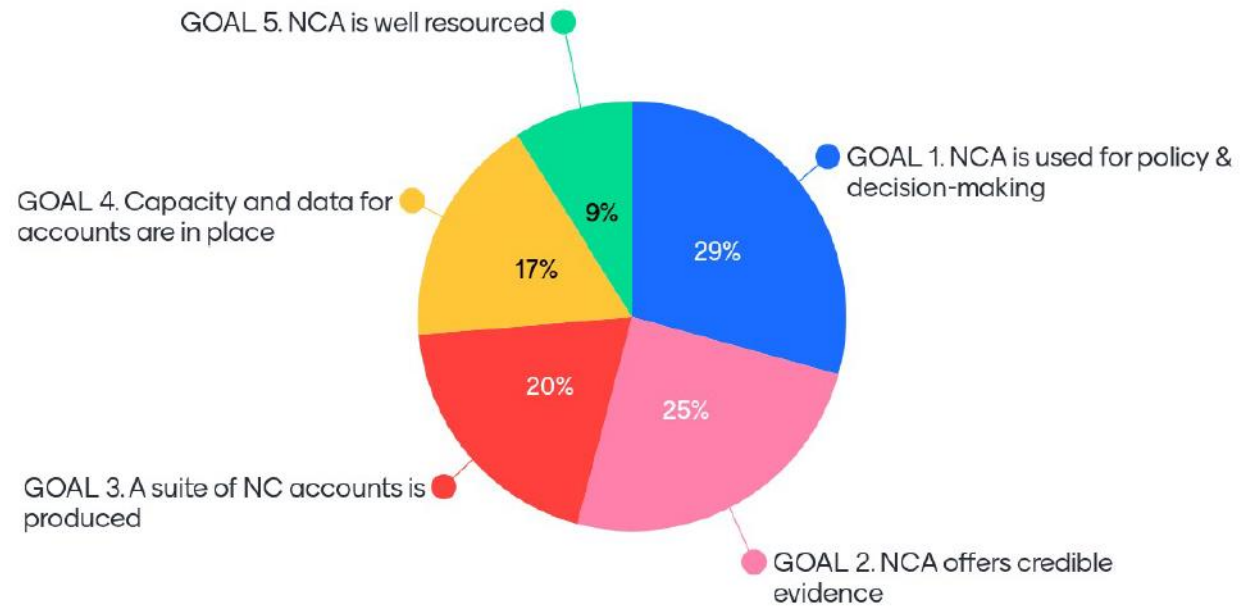
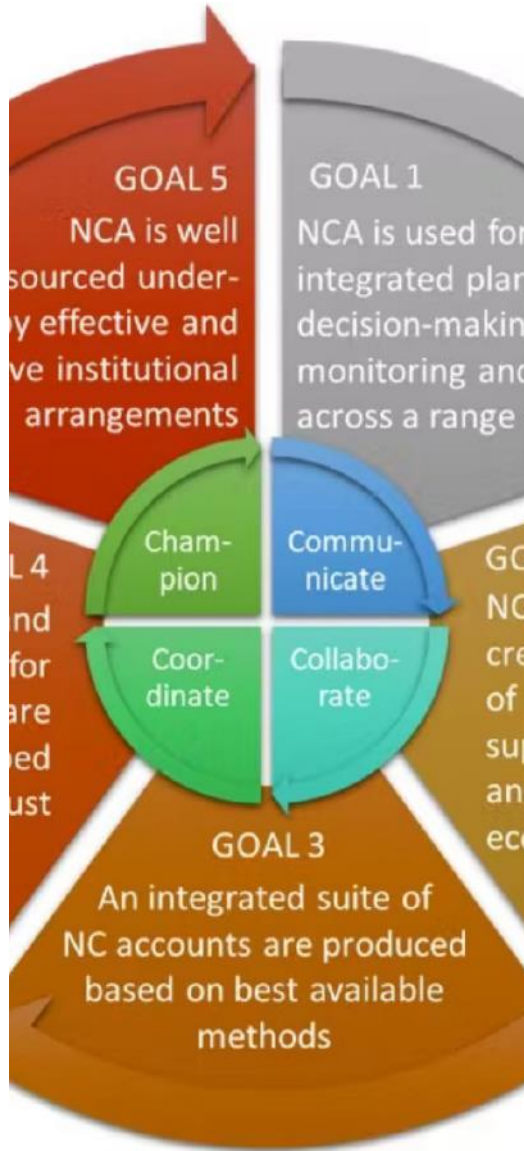
Have you used information from natural capital accounts?



Do you see yourself/your institution as?



Which goal in the National NCA Strategy do you see yourself being most involved in?





Session 2: Regional and global NCA

What have you heard that you would like to learn more about?

NCA COP

How provinces can support national initiatives

Policy implications of NCA.

Capacity building

How practically do we encourage Africa NCA CoOperation

The variois worling groups in the UNCEEA and how to join those WG

What is the entire suite or accounts and how do we prioritize.

Future plans on what new data sources and accounts will be explored.

Material flow accounts globally and locally

What have you heard that you would like to learn more about?

To what extent does SA NCA have more monetary data than biophysical ?

UNCEEA work in Africa

Funding for NCA

How GIS is used for NCA

NCA CoPCapacity building

How Provincial Departements will be involved going forward

The relationship and or integration of the ecosystem account and protected areas accounts.

What are other African countries doing nationally?

Experiences of where nca has effectively shifted policy

What have you heard that you would like to learn more about?

How NCAccounts can assist us to respond to the challenge of climate change

Indepth linkanges between the NCA and NDP

Use of data in the NCA

What are the funding needs beyond funding of coordination?

Funding for research work for NCA

Capacity building and closing of the data gap that exists

Which are the 6 countries in Africa that have compiled ecosystem accounts?

NCA CoP

Nca is important for policy devlopment and planning

What have you heard that you would like to learn more about?

Communication of NCA

Role of provinces and local governments

Placing a value to an ecosystem

Application of NCA

Strengthening of the Community of practice in the country and contributions of NGOs.

The importance of the accounts

Integration with other global initiatives- how does NCA compliment emerging global biodiversity policy agenda

The mainstreaming of NCA and how this can be best achieved as a country.

What's next for South Africa in terms of NCA work.

What have you heard that you would like to learn more about?

Available or standardized technical (including software) approaches?

Integration of NCA products in policy & decision making

Collaborations between African nations on the EA as well as NCA

The resolution of data that is used and how accurate that is in relation to vegetation on the ground

It will be great to have quarterly workshops for capacity building. Learn more and understand how to actively participate

Unlock dataset across various bodies

I would like to know more about NCA in Africa: what other African countries are doing, as well as how NCA is linked to the continent strategic development.

The ecosystem classification system developed by SANBI

The most common SEEAs and which countries have developed which NCAs

What have you heard that you would like to learn more about?

Collaboration and Partnerships
Land use planning
Investing in ecological infrastructure
Capacity building opportunities

Material flow accounts- would these be useful for informing policy in SA

Ocean Accounts TWG, is it possible to join this group? And getting involved with mainstreaming Ocean Accounts, building on knowledge and implementation.

Bringing different disciplines together to value ecosystems

Capacity building

All the different methods, definitions and classifications used

Getting the importance of NCA across to developers.

Application of NCAs across the continent

Eco system classification system of SANBI

What have you heard that you would like to learn more about?

How to use policy priorities towards compiling accounts and ensure they are well positioned for mainstreaming

Communication

Training opportunities for marine accounts

Peer to peer learning and knowledge exchange

Use of data by business.

The ecosystem classification system of SANBI

How does NCA participants ensure alignment to the global community of practice for NCA

How do you want to receive information about global and regional developments in NCA?



What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

Establish accessible and curated information on data linked to NCA

Natural capital of wildlife

Capacity building and resource mobilization within the NCA community of practice

Other African examples using EA approaches.

Via email

Communicate and Publish availability of NCA out out.

Coherent stories demonstrating the use and value of NCA

Technical session to provide better understanding for the Technical inclined

Share examples and lessons.

What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

Bringing in more youth into the NCA CoP

Roadmap of where are we and what are the gaps

Case studies where it has been applied

The whatsapp link

NCA community of practice events

Accessible portal for information and engagement

Share best practices

Work together

Have adequate funding

What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

More mainstreaming.

Establish data sharing best practices as well as data portals

More communication on NCA

Natural account of wildlife

Have more sessions for knowledge sharing and capacity building

Collaborate

Communication in indigenous languages at national level

Assist coordination of accounts that cross country borders

Awareness on work done

What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

Increase engagement opportunities and knowledge exchange.

Have more capacity building opportunities for learning and sharing

Platform to easily share methodologies

Start at school level to raise awareness

More advocacy, and visible mainstreaming

Piloting new NCAs

Creating a dedicated youtube channels for RSA and Regional Community of practice.

Training

A quarterly newsletter to appraise all of progress, opportunities, etc

What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

Look at practical applications ie motivations in EIA decisions, integrate into planning tools, etc.

Publishing an African Ecosystem Account...

Mainstream

More awareness of NCA at tertiary education level

Peer to peer learning and capacity building

South-North dialogue. What can the North learn from the South?

Communicate and help bring other countries along the journey

Development of tutorials

Lease closely together to ensure and strengthen working relationships between each other.

What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

Involve more stakeholders in the country including provinces and local municipalities who are supposed to monitor and implement such programmes

Introduce more youth expertise

Show which policy questions can and have been answered using NCA

Cross border accounts development

Awareness on work done

Organising work sessions involving two or more countries to do hands on work on developing accounts

Communicating to broader stakeholders

Mainstreaming

Create partnerships, advocacy and awareness raising

What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

Case studies and field visits that demonstrate NCA practically

Avail the NCA areas of research available to the community so as to enable relevant work is being done and the mainstreaming of NCA work to research institutions.

Have at least 2 Regional workshops, one physical and one online.

Engaging with and training institutions and individuals interested or already working in marine and ocean accounts.

Strengthen the partnerships across the sectors and create more awareness on the importance of NCA.

Showcase NCA at international conferences on Biodiversity, e.g. CBD, engage more with the business sector

1. Visibility, clear communication and partnership. 2. Unlock data sharing and other potential for collaboration. 3. Linkages with the continental agenda and growth

Build synergy with other accounts

Improve on our collaborative behaviors with our neighbors

What should we do more of as an African NCA community of practice?

Develop accounts for biodiversity priorities

Regular communication to encourage participation and set momentum

Increase communication initiatives targeting the broader population and media, to increase knowledge of the NCA.

More training and capacity building.

Host more training and webinars so more people can be aware of it

Build partnerships that will bring along other African countries in the field of NCA

Cross-country exchanges and visits to learn best practices and share experiences on challenges and success factors in the implementation of in-country NCA activities

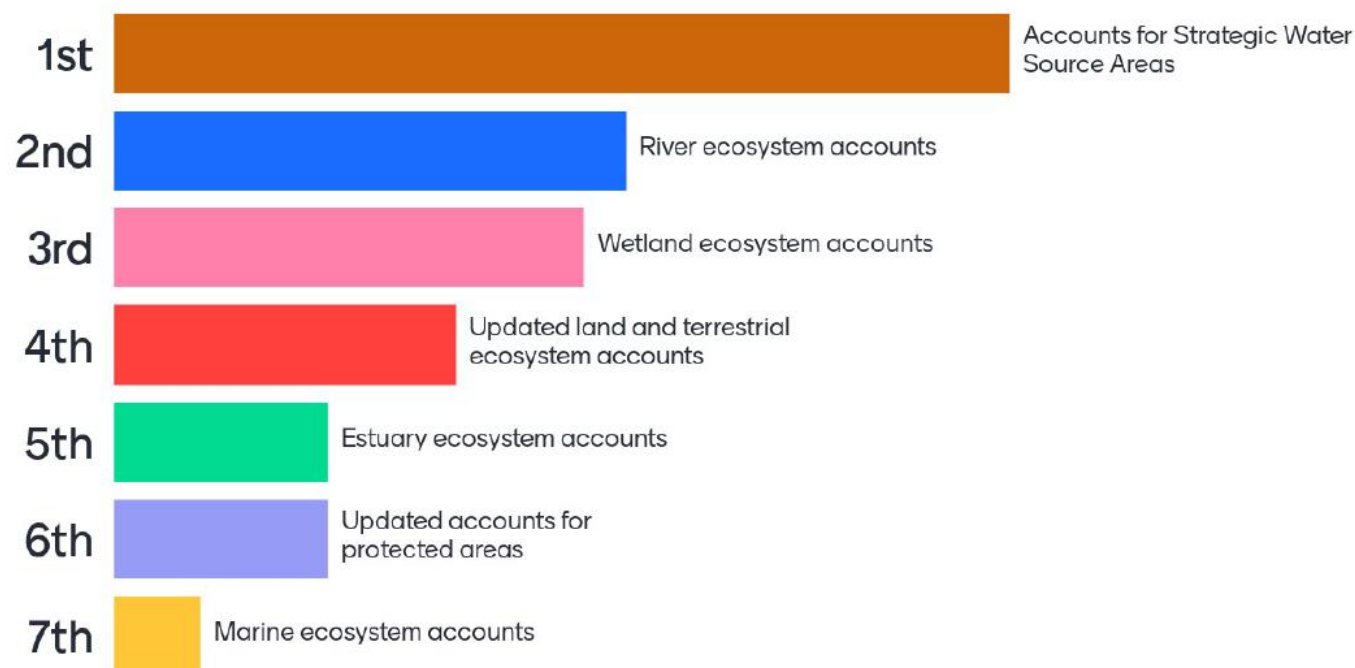
Continue involving more countries and institutions

Help to facilitate links between NSOs and in-country ecologists



Session 5: Thematic accounts

Please rank the following ecosystem accounts in order of importance for being published by Stats SA?



What have you heard that is interesting or that you would like to learn more about?

Encore

The ENCORE risk mapping.

Values assessment and how can this link with NCA

Ocean accounts

Oceans accounts and governance

Linking ocean accounts with the broader economic framework

The link between thematic accounts and finance

Good to see the links between finance and ecology

Ocean accounts

What have you heard that is interesting or that you would like to learn more about?

Encore risk mapping was interesting as well the protected areas accounting

Ocean accounts

Everything 🤔

Biodiversity economy satellite account

Monetary valuation. Of ecosystem services and biodiversity

Encore tool and lessons learned from its application.

Advances made in marine ecosystem accounts

All interesting! Would like to follow up on several.

The data for protected areas in South Africa

What have you heard that is interesting or that you would like to learn more about?

Ocean governance

Approaches and technologies to inform the various NCA outcomes

Unpacking of the ecosystems service models used in the KZN study

ENCORE Linkages between NCA and Ocean Governance

How to integrate with social valuing approaches

Encore presentation and The work being done at local government we need more of this

The key findings of the PA accounts at Biome level

Encore integration with the nca work towards tnfd alignment and strengthening in SA across both work streams

Ecosystem accounts and ocean accounts plus their data

What have you heard that is interesting or that you would like to learn more about?

Ocean accounts and marine ecosystem accounts

How to use NCA to inform policy and decision making around natural resource management?

Broader African accounts development. Such as the ocean accounts

Oceans accounts

Different ways to quantify the importance of ecosystems to the economy

The carbon tracking analysis application.

Elephants and ENCOR

Can NCA be applied at different scales, such as individual properties? It would also be interesting to see them applied to biomes, such as the succulent karoo

Indepth detail about NCA for PA and Protection Level

What have you heard that is interesting or that you would like to learn more about?

Modeling for accounts and validation

I would like to know more about Ocean Account Governance. Particularly on how local communities are engaged on this subject and thier co tribution

Natural Capital financial intelligence

Ecosystem Accounts- How to Establish a standardized approach to time stamps when producing marine accounts. Is there an agreed upon time series to follow or is this strictly data driven?

Carbon accounting

ICLEI project

Biodiversity Tourism accounts The ICLEI INTERACT Bio Programme and how it could relate to Ecosystem accounts

Gow the ENCORE tool is seen playing a role in the policy space.

I have learn more on Natural capital accounts and the impact or and our relationship wirh nature

What have you heard that is interesting or that you would like to learn more about?

How to standardize the data collection of the marine accounts

Iclei interact

The importance of NCA and the need for more political voice. We must have a political session

Carbon and ghg accounts

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Cultural heritage accounts

Ghg

Species accounts.

Carbon accounting, including blue carbon, green carbon and brown carbon

What have you heard that is interesting or that you would like to learn more about?

Nature and culture as one of the Biodiversity values and it contributes to conservation

I believe the scope can be expanded more our interaction with nature and educate on how to preserve nature

EncoreVeldtipesMunicipality

carbon.

Wildlife economy

Finance

Finance and NCA

 Mentimeter

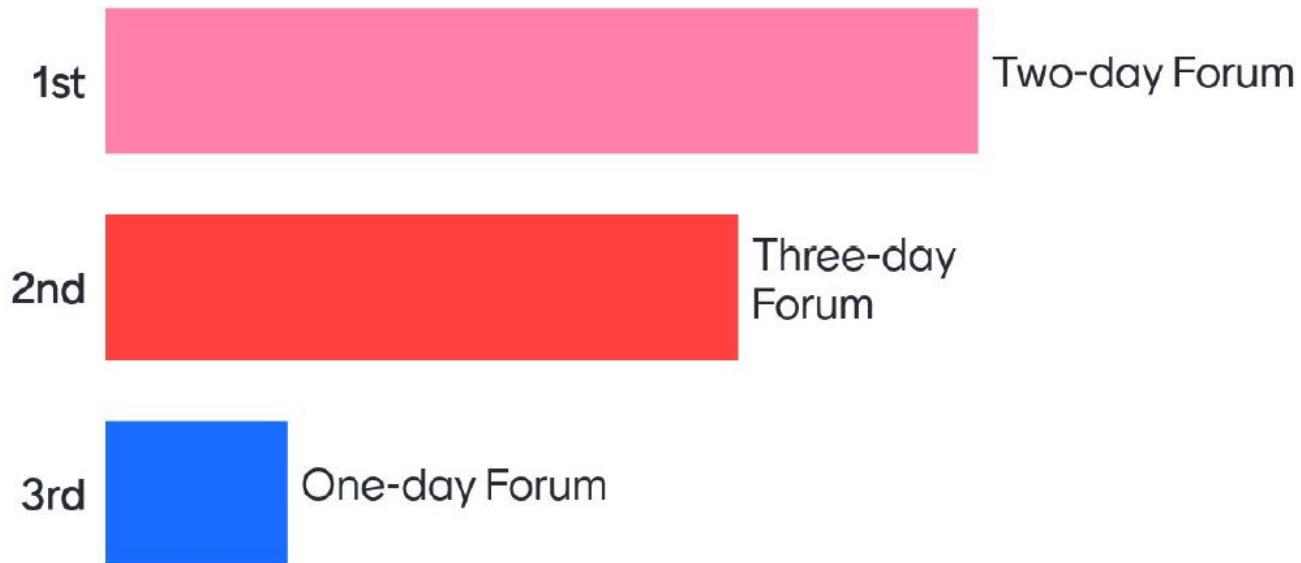


Session 6: Further shaping NCA in South Africa

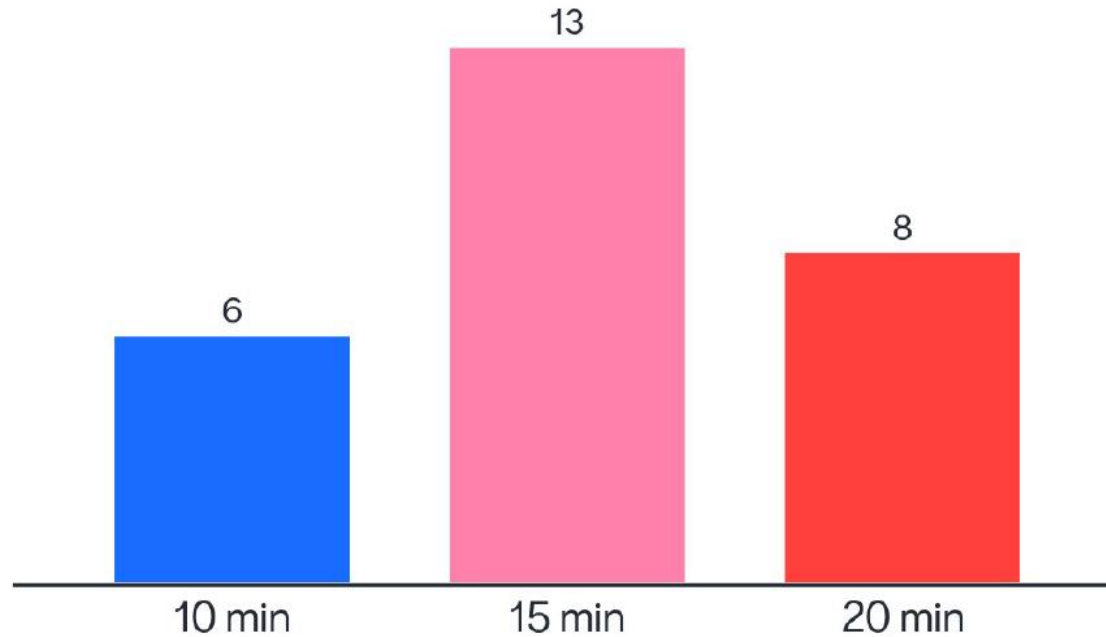
Give a word for how you feel about the 2022 National NCA Forum



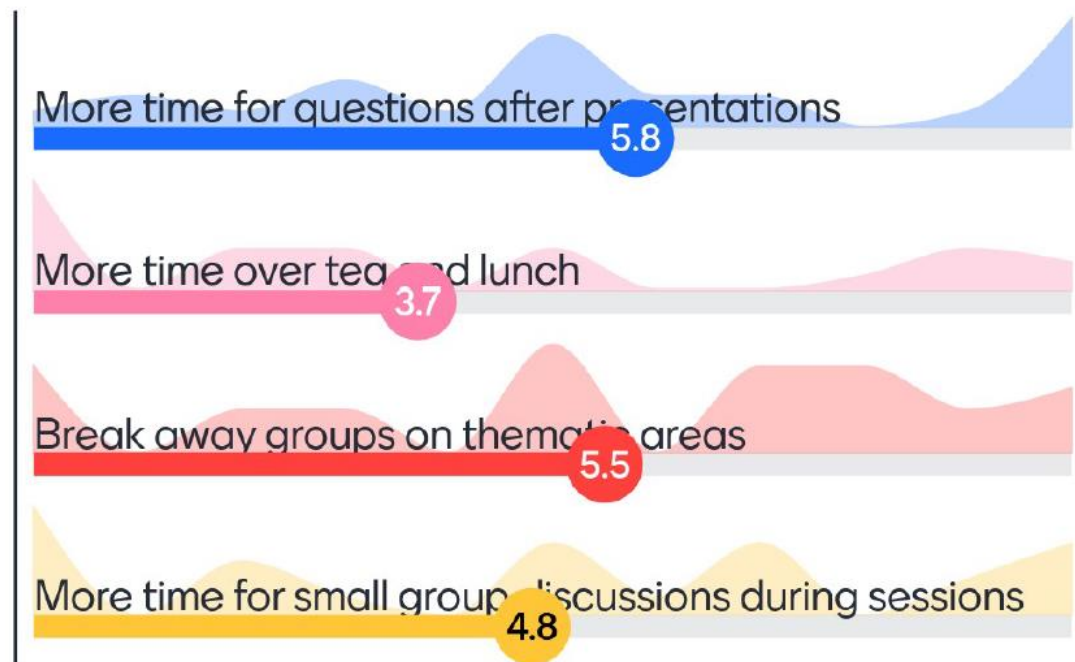
Please rank your preference for the next National NCA Forum?



What is your preference for length of presentation?



What are your preferences for participant engagement.



What was the highlight of the Forum for you? What did you like about the event?

Free discussions between diverse entities

The opportunity to interact and learn from experts

The engagement was great

The panel

The event was well organised and it was very interesting and informative.

Learning about the linkage of the NCA the work done at the Global level. More importantly how we can use various accounts for decision making.

All in one room. Everyone could get an overview of all NCA work in progress. No competing priorities between breakaway rooms and themes as in 2019 Forum

It was well organized!

The Statssa venue is amazing

What was the highlight of the Forum for you? What did you like about the event?

Collaboration

Engagement with different stakeholders and knowing the South African accounting landscape.

Understanding the outputs or products produced in NCA and the interpretation the of.

Been able to listen to all the presentations due to there not been breakaway groups.

Session on ecosystem accounts

Putting faces to names. Seeing the depth of work behind the accounts. Well organized. Not too long.

Environmental data ecosystem

More than ever I believe we need each other. We need to be relevant to users and decisions to be relevant and useful

The panel discussion was an excellent strategic moment. Well represented. Thoughtful discussion

What was the highlight of the Forum for you? What did you like about the event?

Youth participation and panel discussions are great. I really enjoyed that.

Natural Capital Account Complexity of it

Information sharing

Our inspiring youth in NCA!

The broad scope of issues covered

Opportunity to hear more about various accounts being compiled

Being in a beautiful environment and having the statsSa colleagues host us and the mentimeter was great to get the audience involved

The incredible work done on Natural Capital Collaboration between Stats SA, SANBI and DFFE is commendable

Technical rigour of material presented. Superb location and great hosts! Networking with peers.

What was the lowlight of the Forum for you? What did you like least and do you have suggestions on how it could be improved?

Not enough time to engage the content

The electricity issues

Nothing. Everything was well organised

Nothing.

Not a low light, but there should be more interactive sessions

Having program director and chair per session. Maybe have a facilitator for each session.

Time given for presentation was not good enough. Lot of information could not be shared, particularly the results of various pilot projects

Nothing that offended or was a lowlight

Not being able to spend the entire duration of workshop at the meeting

What was the lowlight of the Forum for you? What did you like least and do you have suggestions on how it could be improved?

More information for presentation time.

It was perfect.

No lowlight. Enjoyed all sessions and presentation

Program was very SANBI heavy..more balanced representation of all organisations in future programs

It was perfect. No comments.

Some technical aspects was beyond my understanding. For some of us the need to prepare in advance on some of the thematic areas to be discussed.

I guess it was bit high level for beginners

Missing the participation of Industries and presentation on the translations of accounts into policy.

Emerging ideas and challenges need a space for solutions and next steps to be workshopped

What was the lowlight of the Forum for you? What did you like least and do you have suggestions on how it could be improved?

Love mentimeter!

Long sessions

Really like the activated pods

Include more marine professionals across institutions and develop this working and technical group to be more inclusive of folks working in this realm.

Lack of industry. Donate 2 session to industry and financial industry

None

Not a low light but a suggestion- Would like more small group conversations.

More interactive sessions, but this will only be feasible if it is a three-day event, otherwise we will cover less

Electricity going off on day 1

What was the lowlight of the Forum for you? What did you like least and do you have suggestions on how it could be improved?

Bit rushed. Narrow participation.

No implementors

Need to package accounts for different audience.
NCA should be packaged for financiers, bankers
and the private sector to ensure it's sustainability

Not enough time to connect and no local
municipalities at the forum

Are there any particular topics that you would wish to see included in the next NCA Forum? Or any other suggestions for the next Forum?

Carbon accounts

Data preparation.

Policy use of an account

How to communicate NCA to a non-technical audience

Case studies on the data flows and compilation of the accounts

Reports which provides linkages of all the accounts.

So far No

Discussion on the impact of NCA in policy and decision making processes

Trends

Are there any particular topics that you would wish to see included in the next NCA Forum? Or any other suggestions for the next Forum?

Session on carbon accounting would be great

Action list, roles and responsibilities to be derived from the discussion and what is still to do

Nca funding

More on what policy and decision makers would like NCA to help them with

The absorption of NCA products

How to most effectively mainstream. Policy pathways and voices of decision makers and policy makers should be centralised

Finance and policy connections.

Policy maker inputs. Reflections on the process of working together and developing of accounts.

1. Pressure Accounts 2. How to integrate the variety of information produced

Are there any particular topics that you would wish to see included in the next NCA Forum? Or any other suggestions for the next Forum?

Let's hear from Policy as well. Their needs

How would NCA help with govt priorities

Come back to water accounts, especially to explore indicators that can be drawn from the accounts

Building capacity in the NCA space

Policy mainstreaming of NCA and implementation by local municipalities

Getting indepth discussions on the wide range of accounts and include breakaway groups will have to mean making the Forum longer, otherwise we will miss out on what is happening