

Ecosystem Assessment Tools



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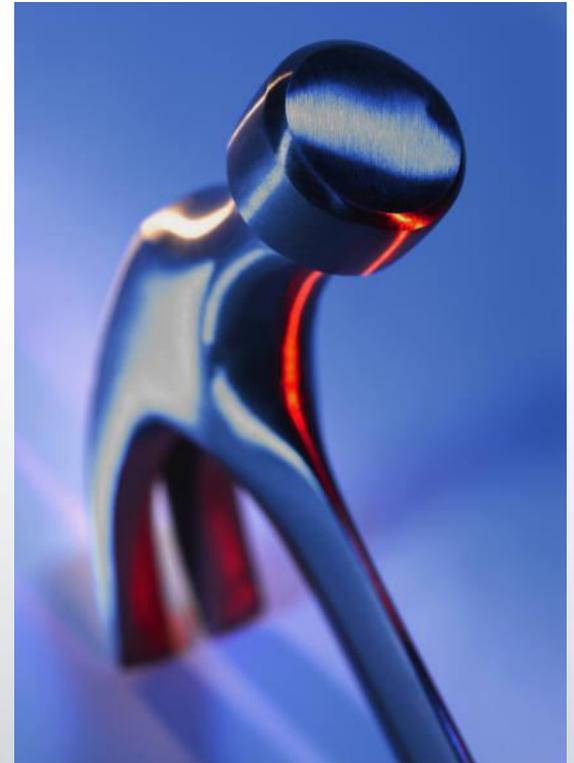


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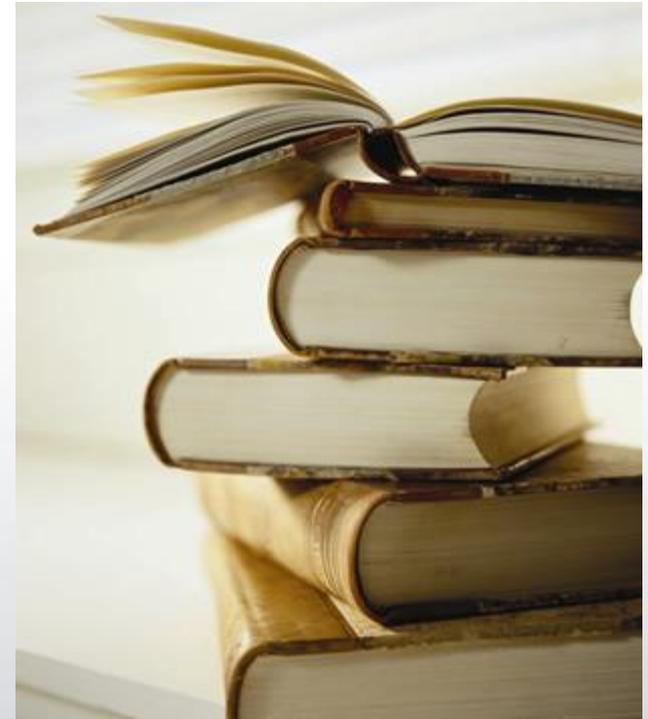
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There is **no definition** of what is an “ecosystem assessment tool” available in the literature.



What could be considered a “tool”?

- ✓ Several publications can be considered as tools within their own right
- ✓ Method
- ✓ Model
- ✓ Process
- ✓ Software/web-based



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Ecosystem Assessment Tools - Uses

Ecosystem assessment tools can be used to:

- ✓ Scope out an ecosystem assessment
- ✓ Aid analysis of ecosystem services within an assessment process
- ✓ Apply the findings of an assessment process
- ✓ Communicate the findings of ecosystem assessments

Why have a discussion on tools?

- ✓ Sharing experiences and lessons
- ✓ Contribute to an ongoing review of 'ecosystem assessment tools' used within the network
- ✓ Help to develop the list of tools that are free to access on the SGA network website