



**ECOSTAR**  
NATURAL TALENTS



**THE FIRST IMPACT HUB AND ACCELERATOR**

**FOR NATURE-BASED BUSINESSES**

## OUR MAIN SECTORS



### NATURAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTING

Understanding business models that account for and improve their Natural Capital as a competitive market strategy.



### WILD FOREST PRODUCTS MARKETING

Improving marketing of Wild Forest Products to increase the value of forests and their services.



### FOREST AND CARBON CERTIFICATION

Marketing and labelling forest products and climate services through independent responsible certification systems. market strategy.



### ECOTOURISM

Investing in natural ecosystems to improve and market their landscape beauty, cultural values and recreational services. market strategy.

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# 1. JOIN

**Join a wide network of innovators, linking biodiversity science to the business world!**

Create connections among research institutes and businesses, and find out more about the marketing and economics of ecosystem services.

**We are looking for:**

- investors and sponsors willing to support innovative startups
- students, researchers and universities looking to cooperate with the private sector
- startups and entrepreneurs that wish to link with investors and scale up their business ideas

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# 2. LEARN

**Enroll in our innovative training courses to understand the opportunities that ecosystem services present!**

ECOSTAR provides training and support for young scientists, professionals and students to improve entrepreneurship and innovation skills.

**Our training is composed of:**

- an e-learning introductory course
- specialized e-modules
- business plan development

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# 3. GROW

**The ECOSTAR Nature-Accelerator,** powered by our investor-partner Fledge, selects and invests in early-stage impactful startups that are developing innovative and sustainable solutions for disrupting the agriculture, forestry and natural resource sectors. Apply online!

**The Nature-Accelerator provides seed funding to startups as well as:**

- online training
- access to impact investors, researchers and mentor networks
- two months' acceleration services
- a series of social events and a demo day to share and present your startup

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