

**Outcomes of training:**

- the learner is able to notice ecosystem and ecosystem services by walking in nature;
- the learner can define ecosystem services and classify them;
- the learner understand conflicts related with use of ecosystem services and knows what are conflict resolution options.

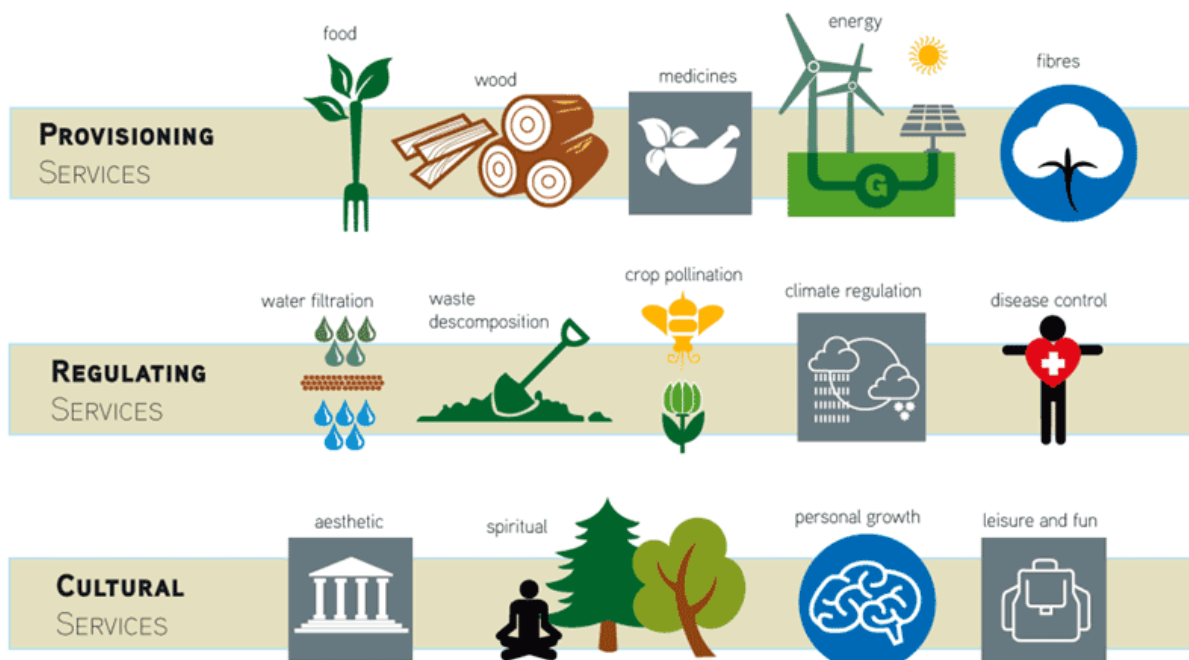
**Sustainable development** is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

G.H.Brundtland (1987) Our Common Future. Report of the UN World Commission on Environment and Development

**Environmental economics** is a field of public sector economics dealing with the relationship between the economy and the environment. Environmental economists study the economics of the natural resources use and the waste products re-use.

**Ecosystem services (ES)** is defined as goods and/or services people obtain from ecosystem and which satisfies the needs of society. ES is divided into three (four) groups.

WHAT DO WE GET FROM **ECOSYSTEMS**?



## **YOUR TASK 1**

**You, as vacationers and learners, are walking in the Landscape Protection Area of Ahja River Old Valley and notice ES that the area offers society.**

**Please classify these ES and write on the fields below.**

**You have 1 hour to complete this task.**

**Provisioning Services** are ES that describe the material or energy outputs from ecosystems.

**Regulating Services** are benefits obtained from the regulation of ecosystem processes, including for example the regulation of climate, purification of waters, biodegradation, disease control etc

**Cultural services** are non-material benefits people obtain from ecosystems through spiritual enrichment, cognitive development, reflection, recreation and aesthetic experience.

## **YOUR TASK 2**

**You, as an entrepreneur, are walking on the Ahja River Old Valley and looking for a new investment opportunities. Your goal is to get as much profit from your investment as possible. What kind of entrepreneurship would you develop here?**