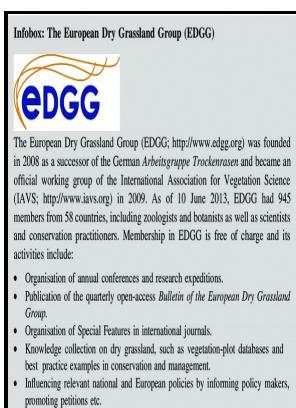


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The depletion of European fish stocks, for example, has not resulted in domestic food shortages, but has been compensated by an increasing reliance on imports.

### Grasslands

Their dispersal capacity and potential to become invasive, is enhanced by the globalisation of trade, combined with climate change and the increased vulnerability of agricultural monocultures. It has been used to facilitate the movement of grazing animals, to promote new tussock growth which is palatable to stock, and to convert tussock grassland into improved pasture. Farmland areas decrease but management intensifies: species-rich grasslands are in decline. The concept of ecosystem services is probably most obvious for agriculture.

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Ecosystem services are often taken for granted, but are in fact very vulnerable. Ferns are mostly found in moist forest areas where there is plenty of water.

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The spatial scale and level of detail at which ecosystems, habitats and plant communities are discerned is to a certain extent arbitrary. Forest clearance has had the greatest impact on lowland forests, reducing some forest types such as kauri to less than one percent of their former extent.

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