



Launch of UrbanByNature Spanish Hub in the A Coruna Event - November 2021

Do you believe that the time has come for nature-based solutions to unfold their potential and take their rightful place in Spanish cities? Then the **UrbanByNature** programme is for you.

UrbanByNature is an expertise-sharing and capacity-building programme to empower local governments all around the world to harness the boundless potential of nature for sustainable urban development.

After the successful launch of several hubs in the Caucasus, China, Brazil and Korea, the Connecting Nature project and the city of A Coruña will launch the first European UrbanByNature hub, the Spanish Hub, in an event that will take place in A Coruña on November 25th.

Nov 25th 2021 - Morning Session - Event in Spanish Language		
9:00-9:15	Welcome /Coffee	
	Official welcome: Esther Fontán Prado, 3rd Deputy Mayor and Councillor for the Environment	
9:15 – 9:30	Ambitions and opportunities for a Spanish UrbanByNature Hub.	
9:30 – 9:45	Ambitions and goals from other UrbanByNature Hubs.	
9:45-10:45	Reflecting on the previous day - Link between key indicators and co-production, Sarajevo Process and Impact Assessment plan.	
10:45 -11:30	Potential of NBS to promote urban regeneration. Stage for partners to showcase experiences from different Spanish and Portuguese cities and EU NBS projects. Good practices and examples.	
11:30-11:45	Coffee break	
11:45-12:45	Role of NBS in protecting and recovering biodiversity in the urban areas. Impact of NBS in health conditions and citizen wellbeing levels. Examples from A Coruña and other cities.	





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12:45-13:30	Embedding NBS into city-wide strategies: contribution to urban agendas, UN SDGs.
	The experience of A Coruña: EDUSI- Sustainable urban development strategies and local action plan for the Spanish Urban Agenda

Nov 25th 2021 - Afternoon Interactive Session - Event in Spanish Language		
14:30 – 14:45	Introduction	
14:45 – 15:15	Mainstreaming NBS in Spain and Portugal –Breakout session. Brainstorming in groups Topic selection: Which topics are of interest? Prioritise 1-2 topics for next 6 months Expectation management: what do partners want to get out of Hub/ what can they contribute? Offer for partners of hub: What does the hub want to offer -webinars, meetings, capacity-building workshops, access to info, stage to show their projects?	
15:15 -15:30	Coffee break	
15:30-16:00	Sharing the ideas and defining an action plan and responsibilities for the next 6 months.	
16:00 – 16:30	Next steps and closure	





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Nov 25, 2021 – Exhibition

- Urban agriculture in the city of A Coruña
- The role of arts in the implementation of NBS. Sarajevo process.
- Artistic outputs (Yolanda Castaño & Iria Fafián)

19:00 – 21:00 Launch of the exhibition	19:00 – 21:00	Launch of the exhibition
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