



Horizon 2020 European Dialogue and Clustering Action
*Transforming cities, enhancing wellbeing: innovating with
nature-based solutions*

A Coruña (Spain), 16-18 May, 2018
Fundación Barrié, Cantón Grande, 9, A Coruña

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 16th May

Topic of the day

TIME

SUSTAINABLE URBANIZATION IN CITIES AND RESTORATION OF DEGRADED ECOSYSTEMS

8:00	REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS
08:45- 09:30	<p style="text-align: center;">OPENING AND WELCOME</p> <p>Julio Abalde Alonso, Rector of the University of Coruna, Spain</p> <p>Miguel Aymerich, Deputy Director General of Natural Environment, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Food and Environment, Spain</p> <p>Beatriz Mato Otero, Conselleira de Medio Ambiente e Ordenación do Territorio, Xunta de Galicia, Spain</p> <p>Xulio Ferreiro, Mayor of A Coruña City Council, Spain</p> <p>Nikos Nikolaidis, THINK NATURE, Technical University of Crete, Greece</p> <p>Ricardo Garcia Mira, President of the International Association of People-Environment Studies, University of A Coruña, Spain</p> <p>Adina Dumitru, CONNECTING NATURE, University of A Coruña, Spain</p>
09:30-10:00	<p style="text-align: center;">EUROPEAN RESEARCH AGENDA FOR NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS</p> <p>Josefina Enfedaque, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission, Belgium</p> <p>Giovanni Fini, Co-Chair of the EU Urban Agenda Partnership on Land-use and Nature-based solutions, City of Bologna, Italy</p> <p><i>Presenter: Adina Dumitru</i>, University of A Coruña, Spain</p>
10:00-11:30	<p style="text-align: center;">CITIES SUMMIT (I) ¹</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Nature-based solutions at different scales</i></p> <p>Anna Levonmaa, City of Tampere, Finland</p> <p>Maria Rosario "Cherry" Chan, Lafarge Holcim, Switzerland</p> <p>Christian Artelt, European Construction, built environment and energy efficient building Technology Platform, Belgium</p> <p>Tom Armour, Arup Landscape Architecture, United Kingdom</p> <p><i>Discussant: Denia Kolokotsa</i>, Technical University of Crete, Greece</p>
<i>Discussion</i>	

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<p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<p><i>The role of Cultural Heritage in renaturing cities: Learning from the past, designing for the future</i></p> <p>Matthias Ripp, Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg, Germany</p> <p>Aitziber Egusquiza Ortega, Tecnalia, Spain</p> <p>Giovanni Fini, City of Bologna, Italy</p> <p><i>Discussant: Sara Van Rompaey</i>, E2ARC, Belgium</p>
<p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<p><i>Actions on the regional and local levels. What can ThinkNature do – the Platform, the regional Think&Do Tanks and the Local Representatives?</i></p> <p>Mihai Razvan Nita, University of Bucharest, Romania</p> <p>Zuzana Hudekova, Bratislava Municipality, Karlova Ves, Slovakia</p> <p>Alice Reil, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability Europe, Germany</p> <p>Gillian Dick, City of Glasgow, Scotland</p> <p><i>Discussant: Juraj Jurik</i>, Global Infrastructure Basel Foundation (GIB), Switzerland</p>
<p>11:30- 12:00</p>	<p>COFFEE BREAK</p>
<p>12:00-13:30</p>	<p>CITIES SUMMIT (II)²</p>
<p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<p><i>Innovative techniques for restoring and reclaiming rural land</i></p> <p>Paula Novo, Scotland Rural College, UK</p> <p>Heather Elgar, West England Nature Partnership, UK</p> <p>Polona Pengal, Revivo Institute for Ichthyological and Ecological Research, Slovenia</p> <p><i>Discussant: Steve Banwart</i>, University of Leeds, UK</p>
<p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<p><i>Benefits of ecosystem restoration</i></p> <p>Fernando Magdaleno, Centre for Studies and Experimentation on Public Works (CEDEX), Spain</p> <p>Victor Beumer, Deltares, Netherlands</p> <p>Veronica Ruiz, IUCN-International Union for Conservation of Nature, Switzerland</p> <p><i>Discussant: Stavros Stagakis</i>, Foundation for Research and Technology, Greece</p>
	<p><i>The role of ecosystem restoration in increasing resilience and contributing to human wellbeing</i></p> <p>Peter de Ruiter, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands</p>

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<i>Discussion</i>	<p>Marco Fritz, European Commission, Belgium</p> <p>Frederic Lemaitre, Biodiversa, France</p> <p><i>Discussant:</i> Nikolaos Nikolaidis, Technical University of Crete, Greece</p>	
13:30-14:30	LUNCH	
14:30-15:30	Nature-based Enterprise Expo and Pitch Battle³	Poster Exhibition
15:30- 16:15	EU-BRAZIL SECTOR DIALOGUE ON NBS	
	<p>Tiago Freitas, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission, Belgium</p> <p>Guilherme Wiedman, Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication, Brazil</p> <p>Cristiano Cagnin, CGEE – Strategic Studies and Management Centre, Brazil</p> <p>Cecilia Herzog, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil</p> <p>Carmen Rosado, VTT Technical Research Centre, Finland</p> <p>Augusto Mozine, Vila Velha University, Brazil</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Nikolaos Nikolaidis, Technical University of Crete, Greece</p>	
16:15- 17:00	PAVING THE WAY FOR SHARING THE EUROPEAN NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS EXPERIENCE WITH THE WORLD	
	<p>Kate Reilly, Grow Green project, IUCN-International Union for Conservation of Nature, Belgium</p> <p>Raúl Sánchez, URBAN GreenUP project, Cartif, Spain</p> <p>Sami Kazi, UNaLab project, VTT Technical Research Center, Finland</p> <p>Alice Reil, Connecting Nature project, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability Europe, Germany</p> <p><i>Moderators:</i> Alice Reil, ICLEI Europe, Germany</p>	
17:00-17:30	OVERCOMING BARRIERS, ENHANCING BEST PRACTICE	
	<p>Nick Pearce, University of Bath, UK</p> <p><i>Presenter:</i> Ricardo García Mira, University of A Coruña, Spain</p> <p><i>Wrapping up, key messages of the day</i></p> <p>Denia Kolokotsa, Technical University of Crete, Greece</p>	
17:30-20:00	GUIDED EXCURSION TO VISIT A LOCAL NATURE-BASED SOLUTION⁴	
	<i>Organized by the Council of A Coruña</i>	

³ More info about the NB Enterprise Expo [here](#)

⁴ Information about the Nature - Based Excursions can be found [here](#).

Thursday 17th May

Topic of the day

TIME

ROBUST ASSESSMENT OF NATURE-BASED SOLUTION IMPACTS: CREATING THE EVIDENCE BASE TO INFORM URBAN POLICY-MAKING

8:30	REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS
09:00-09:30	<p>TOWARDS A REFERENCE FRAMEWORK FOR NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES</p> <p>David Maddox, The Nature of Cities, USA</p> <p><i>Presenter: Marcus Collier</i>, The Nature of Cities Europe, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland</p>
09:30-10:15	<p>PLENARY PANEL DISCUSSION</p> <p><i>Impacts of nature-based solutions: developing the evidence base</i></p> <p>Jennifer Senick, Rutgers Center for Green Building, USA</p> <p>Kate Reilly, IUCN-International Union for Conservation of Nature, Belgium</p> <p>Adina Dumitru, University of A Coruña, Spain</p> <p><i>Moderator: Marcus Collier</i>, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland</p>
10:15- 10:45	COFFEE BREAK
10:45-12:15	<p>CITIES SUMMIT (III)⁵</p> <p><i>Nature-based solutions for leisure: what impact and for whom?</i></p> <p>Agnieszka Dziubała, Poznań City Council, Poland</p> <p>María García, A Coruña City Council, Spain</p> <p><i>Discussion</i> Angela Castrechini, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain</p> <p><i>Discussant: Leiqing XU</i>, Tongji university, Shanghai, China</p> <p><i>Creating multiple benefits for nature-based solutions for water management</i></p> <p>Agnieszka Dziubała, Poznań City Council, Poland</p> <p>Katrien van de Sijpe, Genk City Council, Belgium</p> <p>Elena López-Gunn, Icatalist, Spain</p> <p><i>Discussion</i> Laura Wendling, VTT Technical Research Centre, Finland</p> <p><i>Discussant: Paula Vandergert</i>, University of East London, United Kingdom</p> <p><i>Innovative methodologies for continuous monitoring and support of the evaluation of nature based-solutions</i></p>

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	<p>Catharina Bamps, DG GROW, European Commission, Belgium</p> <p>Mattia Marconcini, Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. (DLR), Germany</p> <p>Stavros Stagakis, Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas, Greece</p> <p><i>Discussant: Nektarios Chrysoulakis</i>, Foundation for Research and Technology, Greece</p>	
Discussion		
12:15-13:15	LUNCH	
13:15-14:15	Nature-based Enterprise Expo & Pitch Battle	Poster Exhibition
14:15- 15:45	CITIES SUMMIT (IV)⁶	
	<i>Stimulating innovation through platforms for monitoring and evaluation of nature-based solutions</i>	
	<p>Jonathan Porter, OPPLA, UK</p> <p>Victor Beumer, Deltares, Netherlands</p> <p>Peter Roebeling, University of Aveiro, Portugal</p> <p>Marta Rica, Icatelist, Spain</p> <p><i>Discussant: Mamuka Gvilava</i>, Geographic, Georgia</p>	
Discussion		
	<i>Innovative methods for health and wellbeing impact evaluation through nature-based solutions</i>	
	<p>Julie Barnett, University of Bath, UK</p> <p>Clare Twigger-Ross, Collingwood Environmental Planning, UK</p> <p>Adina Dumitru, University of A Coruna, Spain</p> <p><i>Discussant: Irina Macsinga</i>, West University of Timisoara, Romania</p>	
Discussion		
	<i>Designing green infrastructures in Galicia: challenges for ecological and social impact assessment</i>	
	<p>Cristina García-Fontán, University of A Coruña, Spain</p> <p>Amparo Casares-Gallego, University of A Coruña, Spain</p> <p>María García, A Coruña City Council, Spain</p> <p>Xan Duro, Council of Santiago de Compostela, Spain</p> <p>Alfredo Fernández, Instituto de Estudos do Territorio- Xunta de Galicia, Spain</p> <p><i>Discussant: Isabel Lema Banco</i>, University of A Coruña, Spain</p>	
Discussion		
15:45-16:30	OVERCOMING BARRIERS, ENHANCING BEST PRACTICE	

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	<p>Andreas Littkopf, Environment Agency Austria (EAA), Austria <i>Presenter: Stuart Connop</i>, University of East London, UK <i>Wrapping up, key messages of the day:</i> Adina Dumitru, University of A Coruna, Spain</p>
16:30-18:00	EARLY CAREER WORKSHOP⁷
16:30-19:30	EU R&I TASKFORCE MEETINGS Sustainable cities through nature-based solutions. From Projects to Policies Taskforce I: "Data Management and EU NBS Knowledge Repository" <i>Facilitated by: Nikos Nikolaidis (TUC) and Marco Fritz (DG RTD)</i> Taskforce II: "NBS Impact Evaluation Framework version 2.0" <i>Facilitated by: Denia Kolokotsa (TUC) and Tiago Freitas (DG RTD)</i> Taskforce III: "Governance, Business Models and Financial Mechanisms" <i>Facilitated by: Steven Banwart (ULEEDS) and Julie Delcroix (DG RTD)</i> Taskforce IV: "Communication and NBS Branding Coordination" <i>Facilitated by: David Struik (ISOCARP) and Josefina Enfedaque (DG RTD)</i>
19:30-21:00	A CORUÑA GUIDED CITY TOUR <i>A nice walking tour around the historical part of the city</i>

⁷ More information about the Early Career Workshop [here](#).

Friday 18th May

Topic of the day

TIME **ENHANCING INNOVATION POTENTIAL THROUGH NEW GOVERNANCE
AND FUNDING MODELS FOR NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS**

8:30	REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS
09:00-10:00	<p style="text-align: center;">FINANCING AND BUSINESS MODELS FOR NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS</p> <p>Siobhán McQuaid, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland Elena López Gunn, Icatelist, Spain Kristyna Pelikanova, European Investment Bank, Luxemburg <i>Moderator: Steve Banwart</i>, University of Leeds, UK</p>
10:00-10:45	<p style="text-align: center;">CO-CREATION AS GOVERNANCE FOR EMBEDDING NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS IN CITIES</p> <p>Niki Frantzeskaki, Dutch Research Institute for Transitions, Netherlands Katrien van de Sijpe, Genk City Council, Belgium Marino Cavallo, Città Metropolitana di Bologna, Italy Alice Reil, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability, Germany <i>Moderator: Marleen Lodder</i>, Dutch Research Institute for Transitions, Netherlands</p>
10:45- 11:15	COFFEE BREAK
11:15-12:45	CITIES SUMMIT (V)⁸
<i>Discussion</i>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>City-led solutions to financing nature-based solutions and business models for sustainability</i></p> <p>Representative of London City, UK Representative of the Tampere City Council, Finland Representative of the city of Nice/Montpellier, France <i>Discussant: Siobhan McQuaid</i>, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland</p>
<i>Discussion</i>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Climate change and mitigation “by Nature”: co-creating nature-based solutions for sustainable urban quality and well-being</i></p> <p>Emeline Bailly, Dorothée Marchand & Raphael Jean, Centre Scientifique et Technique du Bâtiment, France Marc Barra, Paris Region, France</p>

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	<p>Ricardo García Mira, University of A Coruña, Spain</p> <p><i>Discussants: Ricardo García Mira & Marc Barra</i></p>	
	<p>Pushing boundaries in city-making: indicators for transformative organizations</p> <p>Irina Macsinga, West University of Timisoara, Romania</p> <p>Coralia Sulea, West University of Timisoara, Romania</p> <p><i>Discussant: Irina Macsinga</i>, West University of Timisoara, Romania</p>	
Discussion		
12:45-13:45	<p>LUNCH</p>	
13:45-14:15	<p>Pitch Battle Prize: “Most Innovative NBE 2018”⁹</p>	<p>Poster Exhibition</p>
14:15- 15:15	<p>CITIES SUMMIT (VI)¹⁰</p>	
	<p><i>Innovation in nature-based solutions: The Adaptation Support Tool (AST)</i></p> <p>Ellie Tonks, Climate-KIC, Germany</p> <p>Victor Beumer, Deltares, Netherlands</p> <p><i>Discussant: Ellie Tonks</i>, Climate-KIC, UK</p>	
Discussion		
15:15-16:00	<p>OVERCOMING BARRIERS, ENHANCING BEST PRACTICE</p>	
	<p>José Juan Díaz Trillo, President of the Climate Change Commission, Spanish Parliament</p> <p>José Manuel Silva Rodríguez, former European Commission's Director General for Research and Innovation, Spain</p> <p>María García Gómez, Environmental Division, A Coruña City Council, Spain</p> <p><i>Moderator: Ricardo García Mira</i>, University of A Coruña, Spain</p> <p><i>Wrapping up, key messages of the day:</i></p> <p>Niki Frantzeskaki, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands</p> <p><i>Next steps: roadmap for action:</i></p> <p>Adina Dumitru, University of A Coruña, Spain</p>	

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