



Kick-off Webinar #1

"Introducing Nature-Based Solutions and UrbanByNature programme in the Caucasus"

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Date: 10 July 2020

Time: 2-3 PM (CET)

Moderators: Daniela Rizzi and Philipp LaHaela Walter (ICLEI Europe)

Theme: In this webinar the participants will be introduced to the concept of the Nature Based Solutions (NBS), the H2020 Connecting Nature project, the main purpose of UrbanByNature program and plans for the Caucasus Hub.

Nature-based solutions in the European context



Tiago Freitas, European Commission, DG RTD, Brussels, Belgium

Presenting the European Commission funded Connecting Nature project



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Purpose and main cycles of the global UrbanByNature program



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Launching NBS webinar series for the UrbanByNature Caucasus Hub



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DISCUSSION round and next steps