

Virtual Horizon 2020 Nature-Based Solutions Taskforce Meeting 17th of January 2022



The Horizon 2020 Nature-Based Solutions Taskforce meeting brings together Taskforce members, NetworkNature, and the European Commission (European Research Executive Agency and DG Research & Innovation) for an interactive dialogue to take stock of achievements of the Horizon 2020 Nature-based Solutions projects to date and to strengthen synergies and exchange to further increase their impact.

Key achievements from NetworkNature (including recent publications, case studies and events) will be presented, as well as updates from the European Commission and NetworkNature. Furthermore, the new Horizon Europe projects will be introduced as well as inspiring stories from the H2020 projects, focusing on ecosystem restoration, the current [NetworkNature semester theme](#).

A significant part of the meeting will be dedicated to updates from each Task Force with attention on increasing the understanding the key developments, achievements and plans of each Task Force. The meeting will foster dialogue and collaboration also across the different Task Forces, creating synergies and exploring new ideas for future cooperation and applicability of results to practitioners and users. Interactive sessions on selected topics will give participants the opportunity to build priority skills needed for the mainstreaming of NBS.

An interactive session will conclude the meeting to discuss common challenges to NBS project design and implementation, and provide a vision for the future on opportunities for upscaling NBS in Europe and beyond.

Registration:

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Horizon 2020 Nature-based Solutions Task Force meeting –
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9.00 – 10.00 CET: Main achievements of NetworkNature (Facilitator: Susanna Gionfra)

Welcome & Housekeeping (7')	Chantal van Ham (IUCN)
Aims for the day (10')	Sofie Vandewoestijne, (European Commission/ European Research Executive Agency); Alice Reil (ICLEI)
Highlights from NetworkNature (20'): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Case studies on ecosystem restorations - Semester themes - EU NBS R&I Roadmap - National NBS Hubs - Network of national SME representatives interested in NBS - Annual Event - Standardisation 	Two representatives from ICLEI (Bettina Wilk) and IUCN (Daisy Hessenberger) to present the highlights from NetworkNature and then discuss how this serves and benefits the projects.
Call for case studies on Access to finance for NbS (EIB project) (7')	Trinomics (Kym Whiteoak)
Live polls – achievements, expectations (15')	Interactive component to set expectations for the day, ready the audience for interaction and allow any barriers to be shared followed by shifting the focus to barriers.

10.00 – 11.00 CET: Updates from the European Commission, Horizon Europe projects (Facilitator: Susanna Gionfra)

Updates from the European Commission, impacts, policy developments and Horizon Europe (10')	Philippe Tulkens, European Commission DG Research and Innovation, to present building upon the updates given in the Annual Event (tbc)
Introduction to new Horizon Europe projects (25')	Short video messages or interventions by the projects' coordinators in a panel format to be interviewed by facilitator.
Presentation of H2020 wins (20')	Two project representatives will provide inspiring stories from their projects' results, focusing on ecosystem restoration (Sofie Sheil, GrowGreen, Manchester City Council and Gerd Lupp, PHUSICOS, Technische Universität München)
Closing (5')	Susanna Gionfra, IUCN

Break (20 min)

11.20 – 12.30 CET: Task Forces updates (Facilitator: Bettina Wilk, ICLEI)

Updates from each Task Force (35')	Task Force members will present their recent work, including results, events, publications, and other products (e.g. Handbook on Evaluating the Impact of NBS), developed or in the making, as well as upcoming plans and opportunities for synergies and collaborations across Task Forces. Result will be live sketched. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TF1: Jon Porter, Oppla - TF2: Veronica Ruiz, IUCN - TF3: Matthieu Grosjean, Steinbeis
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TF4: Nea Pakarinen, ICLEI - TF6: Knud Erik Hilding-Hamman, Teknologisk Institut
Present output of Task Force update (10')	ICLEI (Bettina Wilk) to present the Task Force Update live sketch and set the scene for the skills acquisition break out rooms.
Interactive Q&A (25')	Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and add their ideas for the sketch.
Break (60 min)	
13.30 - 16.10 CET: Interactive task force skill and synergy building (Facilitator: Susanna Gionfra, IUCN)	
Breakout rooms for skills acquisition (2h): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Standardisation for NBS (ICLEI, Holger Robrecht and Radhika Murti/ Daisy Hessenberger, IUCN - tbc) – (Rapporteur: Alice Reil, ICLEI) - Creating Policy impact through Task Forces (Ben Delbaere, Delbaere Consulting) – (Rapporteur: Jon Porter, Oppla) - Communicating effectively (David Maddox, The Nature of Cities) – (Rapporteur: Nea Pakarinen, ICLEI) - Working with unconventional partners and actors (Daan Groot, Nature Squared – tbc) – (Rapporteur: Chantal van Ham, IUCN) Agenda items for each breakout room: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to topic - Opportunities for synergies and collaborations - Selection of main outcomes 	Following the overview of work from the Task Forces, participants will have the opportunity to build priority skills needed for the mainstreaming of NBS. Each breakout room will be run in a training format by an expert and will focus on a need for capacity building and will include discussions on the opportunities for synergies and future collaborations. All breakout rooms will be highly interactive and will facilitate dialogue among participants.
Reporting back from the breakout rooms (35')	Rapporteurs from each breakout room will provide the key messages arising from the group discussions
Closing remarks (5')	Susanna Gionfra, IUCN
Break (20 min)	
16:30 – 17:30 CET: Interactive session – Action for the future (Facilitator: Chantal van Ham, IUCN)	
Facilitated discussion on looking ahead: Upscaling NBS in Europe and beyond (based on Miro/ Menti) (50')	Participants will have the opportunity to comment on challenges faced, adding examples as well as solutions from their experiences (including in the context of COVID-19) and discuss opportunities for upscaling NBS. This will be an interactive exercise presenting leverage points/priorities and allowing participants to annotate with specific contexts providing a visual output of the discussion.
Closing remarks (10')	Alice Reil, ICLEI and Sofie Vandewoestijne, (European Commission /European Research Executive Agency)



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