

SUSTAINABLE LAND-USE AND URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPLEMENTING NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS IN LOCAL POLICY AND PLANNING FOR TRANSITIONS

This session will, within the framework of the dilemma, focus on Nature-Based Solutions (NBS) to address societal challenges in urban transitions with approaches and processes that are inspired and supported by natural systems and services, which are cost-effective, simultaneously provide environmental, social and economic benefits, and help to build robust urban infrastructures. The workshop is co-hosted by the Urban Agenda for the EU partnership on Sustainable land-use and Nature-Based Solutions. Two cities, City of Bologna and City of Zagreb, will present two activities that are part of the Action plan presented by the EU partnership in December 2018 aimed at promoting NBS in cities. These actions will be carried out in Spring 2019 and participants are invited to give first feed-back on planned activities and engage in a discussion on new approaches to raise awareness of NBS.

Questions for elaboration and discussions:

- What would be the benefits of taking the concept of NBS from a conceptual level to implementation towards sustainable land use?
- What are promising strategies to integrate NBS in urban land-use development strategies?
- What can be done to increase awareness and encourage take-up of NBS?
- How to go from awareness to practice?
- What is the role of research and innovation?

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Case city presentation: *Sanja Jerković*, Head of City Office for Strategic Planning and Development of the City, City of Zagreb

Programme

14.00 Introduction

Introduction to dilemma by *Jonas Bylund*
Introduction to Nature-Based Solutions *Giovanni Fini*

14.15 Case presentation from Bologna, *Giovanni Fini*

14.25 Case presentation from Zagreb, *Sanja Jerković*

14.35 Feed-back and co-creation (Digitally facilitated with Mentimeter)

Part 1: What are the benefits and challenges of integrating NBS in local strategies?

Part 2: What are potentially efficient ways to raise awareness and increase practical integration?

Part 3: Identify top priority activities from the JPI Urban Europe side that could support the NBS implementation

15.25 Wrap up – key messages from the discussion

15.30 Workshop ends