



European Commission



Biodiversity enhancement



Water management



Natural and Climate Hazards



Green space management



New economic opportunities and green jobs



Health and well-being



Land regeneration

NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS

EU-FUNDED NBS RESEARCH PROJECTS TACKLE THE CLIMATE AND BIODIVERSITY CRISES

Nature-based solutions (NBS) are inspired and supported by nature, they are cost-effective, simultaneously provide environmental, social and economic benefits and help build resilience; such solutions bring more, and more diverse, nature and natural features and processes into cities, landscapes and seascapes, through locally adapted, resource-efficient and systemic interventions. NBS must benefit biodiversity and support the delivery of a range of ecosystem services.



Sustainable urban transformation



Participatory planning and governance



Climate resilience



Social justice and social cohesion



Air quality

EU-funded research and innovation projects tackle the climate and biodiversity crises implementing nature-based solutions in different environments.

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research and
innovation
PROJECTS

1.538 PARTNERS

EUR 755M

(EC contribution)

79 COUNTRIES

NBS IN URBAN AREAS

CLIMATE RESILIENCE

[Connecting Nature](#)
[Grow Green](#)
[GreenInCities¹](#)
[URBREATH¹](#)

[Urban GreenUP](#)
[UNaLab](#)
[Regeneration¹](#)

WATER SECURITY

[MULTISOURCE](#)
[NICE](#)

INCLUSIVE URBAN REGENERATION

[CLEVER Cities](#)
[EdiCiNet](#)
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[Nature4Cities](#)

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NATURE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

[EU-CHINA:](#)
[CLEARING HOUSE](#)
[REGREEN](#)

[EU-CELAC:](#)
[CONEXUS](#)
[INTERLACE](#)

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

[EUPOLIS](#)
[GO GREEN ROUTES](#)

[IN-HABIT](#)
[VARCITIES](#)

AIR QUALITY

[DivAirCity](#)
[JUSTNature](#)
[UPSURGE](#)

CROSS-CUTTING PROJECTS

NATURE POSITIVE ECONOMY, FINANCE AND INSURANCE

[NAIAD](#)
[Invest4Nature](#)
[NATURANCE](#)
[BIO-CAPITAL](#)

[GoNaturePositive](#)
[BIOFIN](#)
[Nature-3B](#)

EDUCATION

[NBSEduWORLD](#)

[ENABLS](#)

INCLUSION AND CO-GOVERNANCE

[COEVOLVERS](#)
[TRANS-Lighthouses](#)

[NATURESCAPES](#)

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

[GREENME](#)
[NATURELAB](#)

[RESONATE](#)

NETWORKNATURE+

Key knowledge broker and information resource fostering and strengthening the European nature-based solutions community. NN+ supports EU-funded R&I projects on NBS by offering collaboration opportunities and dissemination services.

European Biodiversity Partnership BIODIVERSA+

The Partnership aims to connect science, policy and practice for transformative change for biodiversity, including contribution to high-end knowledge for deploying NBS.

¹ Project funded under the [EU Missions](#) 'Adaptation to Climate Change' and 'Climate-neutral and Smart Cities'.



NBS BEYOND URBAN AREAS

CLIMATE RESILIENCE

• FRESHWATER

[DRYvER](#)
[PONDERFUL](#)
[GENESIS³](#)

[SpongeScapes²](#)
[SpongeBoost²](#)

• MARINE AND COASTAL

[FutureMARES](#)
[MaCoBioS](#)
[NBRACER²](#)
[CARDIMED²](#)

[DUNEFROnt](#)
[TRANSEATION](#)
[DesirMED²](#)

• MOUNTAINS

[MountResilience²](#)

• FOREST

[ForestPaths](#)

• MULTIPLE ECOSYSTEMS

[LAND4CLIMATE²](#)
[NATALIE²](#)
[SpongeWorks³](#)
[NATURE-DEMO²](#)

[ARCADIA²](#)
[DRYAD²](#)
[Med-IREN²](#)

• DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

[OPERANDUM](#)
[PHUSICOS](#)

[RECONNECT](#)

AGROECOLOGY AND SOIL MANAGEMENT

[ECONUTRI](#)
[trans4num](#)
[NBSoil](#)

[AGROSUS](#)
[CANALLS](#)

FOREST MANAGEMENT

[TRANSFORMIT](#)

² Project funded under the [EU Mission 'Adaptation to Climate Change'](#).

³ Project funded under the EU Missions 'Adaptation to Climate Change', 'Restore our Ocean and Waters' and 'A Soil Deal for Europe'



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[AMBER](#)
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[WaterLANDS](#)
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• MARINE AND COASTAL

[MERCES](#)
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[MSP4BIO](#)
[REDRESS](#)

• FOREST

[SUPERB](#)



NBS projects collaborate in different thematic [Task Forces](#) facilitated by [NetworkNature+](#): TF1 Data management and knowledge repository, TF2 Impact evaluation framework, TF3 Business models and financial mechanisms, TF4 Communication, TF5 Education, TF6 Co-creation and co-governance. [NBS hubs](#) - one-stop shops for NBS knowledge within a country/region.

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