# Introducing nature-based solutions and the UrbanByNature programme

Webinar

Date:           23 April 2019
Time:           10-11:30 AM (BRT), 3-4:30 PM (CEST)
Moderators:  Alice Reil and Daniela Rizzi, ICLEI Europe, and Sophia Picarelli and Katia Fenyves, ICLEI South America

## What are nature-based solutions? The European and the Brazilian Context (15′ )

- Nature-based solutions in the European context by **Tiago Freitas**, European Commission, DG RTD, Brussels, Belgium
- Nature-based solutions in the Brazilian context by **Cecilia Herzog**, urban landscape designer, specialist in environmental preservation of cities and professor at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

## The Connecting Nature Project and experiences on realising nature-based solutions on the ground in Europe (15′ )

- Presenting the European Commission funded Connecting Nature project by **Marcus Collier**, Project Coordinator, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
- Exploring the benefits of nature-based solutions and how Connecting Nature is supporting the city in realising them locally by **Peter Vos** (sustainability expert), **Katrien Van De Sijpe** (Head of Department of Environment and Sustainability) and **Mien Quartier** (expert in Social Innovation), Genk, Belgium

## QUESTIONS from webinar participants (10′ )

**Introducing the Brazilian stream of UrbanByNature as global learning and exchange programme for urban nature pioneers (25′ )**

- Presenting the UrbanByNature programme as integrated, cyclical planning and management approach for nature-based solutions: Seven interlinked, iterative steps towards sustainable urban development (aligned with ISO 37101). target audience and regional hubs, activities and duration of the Brazilian stream as well as registration process and information about certification by **Daniela Rizzi**, ICLEI Europe, Freiburg, Germany

- Sharing experiences of implementing nature-based solutions by **Erika Mielke,** Director of Research and Monitoring of the Environment Secretary Curitiba, Brazil

**DISCUSSION round and next steps**

*Changes in programme may occur.*