

Newsletter

Welcome back to the **NATURANCE Newsletter!**

The wealth of activities, publications, and events over the past months reflects that the project has now entered a mature stage of its journey. October, in particular, promises to be a month full of notable events — a roundup can be found below.

In addition, the consortium has just launched NATURANCE Talks, the project's podcast on Nature-based Solutions, highlighting practical examples in areas such as climate adaptation, sustainable finance, and community resilience.

Finally, behind the scenes, the consortium is working diligently on the organisation of the project's final event, which will take place from 3 to 5 February in Brussels, Belgium. Further updates will follow shortly; in the meantime... enjoy the read!

Bridging the Gaps: Insurance, Equity and Nature in a Changing Climate



As climate risks intensify, insurance and nature-based solutions (NbS) are gaining recognition as vital tools for resilience. Yet, the uneven capacity to respond to these risks reveals deeper questions of fairness. Who gets protected and how so, depends not solely on exposure, but also on access to resources and capacities. This imbalance raises an important question: what does fairness look like when it comes to protecting people (and nature) from climate threats? In this blog, **Pranav Shankar Kaundinya** (Grantham Research Institute), and **Mariam Parekhelashvili** (MCII/UNU-EHS) explore how the insurance sector, policymakers, and researchers are grappling with this challenge, and why equity must be at the heart of any climate resilience strategy and solution design.

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The Naturance Podcast series is here



Tune In, Green Out! **NATURANCE Talks** is NATURANCE's podcast, exploring how Nature-based Solutions can advance climate adaptation and risk management. Hosted by Melissa Herlitz and Fulvio Biddau, the series delves into topics such as insurance, sustainable finance, and community resilience. Each episode breaks down complex ideas into practical examples, showing how working with nature delivers environmental, social, and economic benefits.

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Kick-Off of the CEN Workshop



On September 18, 2025, the kick-off meeting for the CEN Workshop "Nature based insurance and investments – guidance on performance and design criteria" brought together experts from financial consulting, nature-based solutions research, European banking institutions, and local and regional authorities. Growing out of the work and research of the NATURANCE initiative, the CEN Workshop aims to define shared performance metrics and design principles for nature-based insurance and investment solutions. The initiative addresses a key challenge: nature-based solutions often lack recognition in financial products and struggle to scale, limiting their overall impact.

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Naturethon – Citizens Growing Nature-Based Futures



The <u>Naturethon</u> is back! The second edition of the Naturance citizen engagement initiative kicks off on 9 October, from 16:00 to 17:30 CEST. <u>The session</u> will introduce the initiative, its structure, and the goals participants will work toward. Individual participants will be assigned to working groups, and existing groups will also be presented. After the presentations, participants will take part in the first 45-minute collaborative work session, using an online collaborative board to start developing their own NbS ideas.

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Financial incentives as a strategy for promoting disaster resilience













Financial Incentives as a Strategy for Promoting Disaster Resilience

Webinar hosted by the UNDRR European Science & Technology Advisory Group (E-STAG)

Financial incentives can play a crucial role in promoting resilience in the building sector. This webinar, co-hosted by NATURANCE and the *European Scientific and Technical Advisory Group* (E-STAG), established by the UNDRR Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, will take place on the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction (13 October, 12:00-13:00 CEST). It will explore innovative approaches — from insurance mechanisms to risk-informed planning — that shift the focus from reacting to disasters to preventing them.

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Bankable Public Green Infrastructure and Services











Bankable Public Green Infrastructure & Services: A Practical Approach

European Week of Regions and Cities, Brussels, 13 to 15 October 2025













Public green spaces are crucial for climate resilience, yet regions and cities face major barriers in developing investable projects. Within the <u>European Week of Regions and Cities</u>, taking place on October 13–15 in Brussels, NATURANCE is organising the workshop "Bankable Public Green Infrastructure and Services: A Practical Approach" on **14 October**, from **11:30 to 12:30 CEST**, in collaboration with NetZeroCities, DesirMED and the Urban Agenda Greening Cities Partnership. Experts will explain how to overcome these challenges, highlight the role of public investment banks and offer practical roadmaps for bankable NbS.

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Innovative financing for heatwave risks and urban quality of life











Urban heatwaves are among the most severe and growing climate risks in Europe and beyond, yet dedicated financing for preparedness and response remains limited. A global webinar, co-hosted by MCR2030 and NATURANCE, will examine innovative financing solutions, including parametric insurance and trigger-based schemes, aimed at strengthening urban resilience, supporting vulnerable populations, and improving quality of life in cities affected by heat stress. The event will take place on 30 October, from 10:00 to 11:30 CET.

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Finance Innovation Festival 2026 - Save the Date

FINANCE INNOVATION FESTIVAL

INSURANCE AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NATURE-BASED TRANSFORMATIONS

3-5 FEBRUARY 2026 **BRUSSELS**



The <u>second NATURANCE Festival</u> will take place on 3–5 February 2026 at the <u>BIP Meeting Centre in Brussels</u>, Belgium. The Festival will provide space for exchange between communities working on climate adaptation, finance, and nature-based solutions, showcasing emerging approaches to mobilising capital and managing risk through nature-positive strategies. Participants will reflect on lessons learned from ongoing initiatives, explore synergies among related projects, and identify practical pathways for scaling up implementation.

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Latest events

- Naturance at the NetworkNature Annual Event (15-17 September, 2025)
- Training event Nature-based solutions and insurance (29 August, 2025)
- <u>Training event PAESC Summer School (25-29 August, 2025)</u>

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