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Geneva Nature-based Solutions Dialogues
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ABOUT THIS SESSION

The Nature-based Solutions and People Dialogue is the culmination of a year-long journey convened to explore diverse aspects of Nature-based Solutions and their relevance to the world’s most pressing social and environmental challenges.

Nature is fundamental to everybody’s well-being. Healthy ecosystems underpin diverse livelihoods and economies, cultures, and the enjoyment of a wide range of human rights. And it is people, through their diverse cultures, forms of knowledge, and agency – recognizing the specific roles and contributions of Indigenous peoples and local communities, women and men and youth – who protect, sustainably manage and restore the ecosystems on which we all depend.

2021 has been a momentous year for enhanced recognition of the interdependency of people, human rights, and nature. In October, the UN Human Rights Council adopted a landmark resolution formally recognizing that a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment is itself a human right. This dialogue will offer a platform to exchange on how Nature-based Solution have to be built upon human rights and biodiversity safeguards. Panelists will share their views and recommendations on how to ensure that Nature-based Solutions engage and support the diverse contributions of all people, with particular attention to the rights and roles of women and men, youth and Indigenous peoples and local communities. Convened just before Human Rights Day – and during the 16 Days global campaign to end gender-based violence – the dialogue will advance understanding of how Nature-based Solutions also can contribute to reducing gender gaps and barriers and to the realization of gender equality and human rights.

As the last dialogue in the 2021 series, the session will conclude with reflections on key outcomes drawn from across the Geneva Nature-based Solutions dialogues.

REGISTRATION

The event will take place online, kindly register directly on the Webex platform at tiny.cc/NbS6DecReg.
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Chair IUCN Commission on Environment, Economic and Social Policy (CEESP)

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