

Implement your NBS project

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Session 4 - Implement your NBS project

How to involve citizens and stakeholders into the planning process? Nature4Cities guide for new governance models

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Definition of Nature-based Solutions



"Nature Based solutions (NBS) are actions inspired by, supported by, or copied from nature, that deploy various natural features and processes, are resource efficient and adapted to systems in diverse spatial areas, facing social, environmental, and economic challenges. The main goals of NBS are the enhancement of sustainable urbanization, the restoration of degraded ecosystems, the development of climate change adaptation and mitigation, and the improvement of risk management and resilience." (Somarakis et al. 2019)





Key aspects Nature Based Solutions:

☐ Multiple benefits (environmental, social and economic)☐ Multiple designs and scales☐ Dynamic solutions

Conditions for implementation Nature Based Solutions:

- ✓ Multisectoral expertise and collaboration
- ✓ Multiple stakeholder involvement (including local citizens)
- ✓ Participatory governance
- ✓ Reflexive and adaptive management





Key questions



- Are Nature Based Solutions the best option to solve the urban challenges you are facing as a policy maker?
- What is the most suitable NBS?
- If you opt for NBS what would the implementation process look like?
- Who needs to be consulted?
- Who needs to be invited to participate and what is needed to facilitate the process in terms of knowledge, needs and interests?



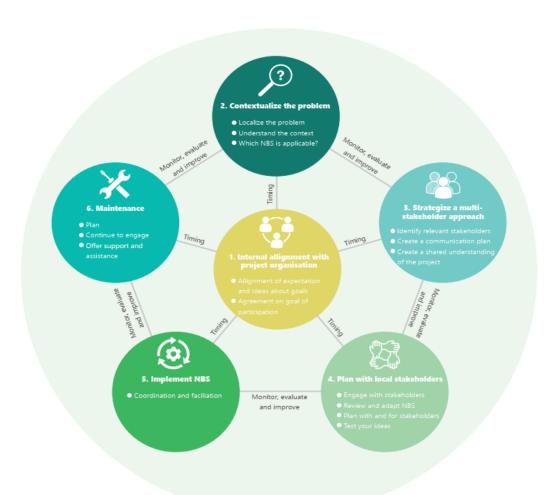




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1. Step by Step Guide for co-creation and co-production of NBS

our model for reflexive governance of NBS, a process support tool for a tailored governance approach





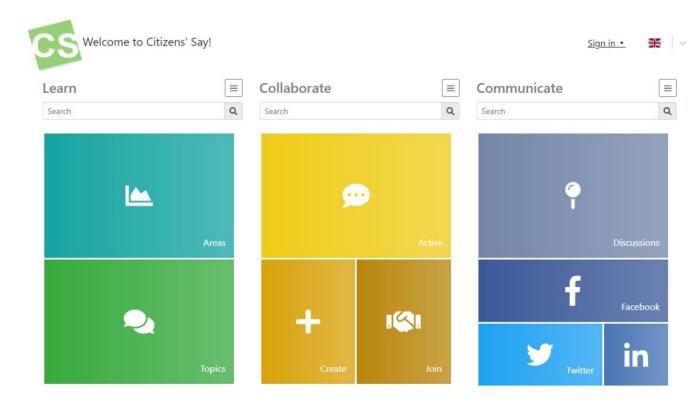




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2. CitizenSay digital platform

a digital tool that can be used to support participatory planning and collaboration Processes









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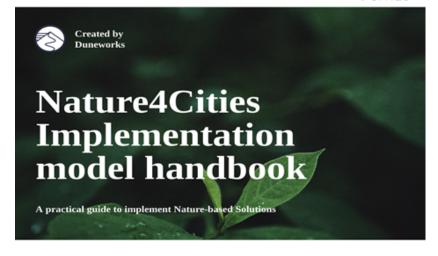
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3. Nature4Cities Implementation Model Handbook

A handbook for practitioners that shows examples of different types of NBS, explaining the what, who and how





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Support systems for NBS interventions



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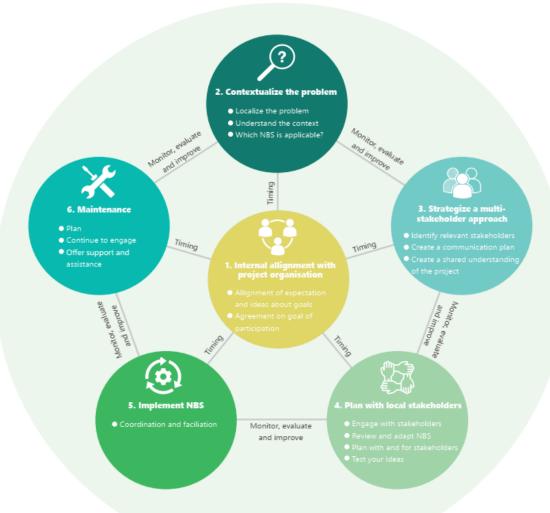




- 1. Internal Alignment
- 2. Contextualize the problem
- 3. Strategize a multi-stakeholder approach
- 4. Plan with local stakeholders
- 5. Implement NBS
- 6. Maintenance

Overarching:

- Monitor, evaluate and learn
- Timing







Set-up Guide



- General description
- Why is this important/ why do we need to address this?
- What does it entail?
- How is it best addressed and by whom? Useful tools

Step 2 Contextualise your problem(-s)

This step aims to address the context of the interventions, which can be of the social-economic, political, institutional, cultural, physical (e.g. infrastructural, technological) or ecological nature, with explicit attention to challenges that relate to climate change like e.g. drought, heat islands, water flooding and with attention to how things have become the way they are today (legacies; path dependencies). Relevant information shall be collected and documented bout these issues, but also about stakeholders (past, present, future) that are relevant in relation to the initial problems identified (and, possible, in relation to their expectations and ambitions). This step results in an assessment of the starting situation, that is, an understanding of the percircumstances in which the environmental impacts occur and how they are coupled to social and economic issues. In this regard, the stating situation in terms of the distribution of environmental, social and economic impacts shall be assessed, which can contribute to the subject entirely openent of a socially inclusive strategy that aims to positively affect this distribution.

In case project preparations have already started, an assessment of frucial moments in the process (e.g. decisive moments in which path dependencies are created) is useful so that on the basis of this and additional information collected (e.g. external to the project), the initiators reflect on the potential challenges and opportunities ahead.

Step 2: Contextualise the problem(-s)			
Process steps	Why is this important/why do we need to address this?	What does it entail?	How is it best addressed and by whom?
2.1 Localize the problem(-s)	The NbS is considered a solution, so clarity	This step entails an exploration of the	The project organisation (initiator) can





The step-by-step guide is based on





Placemaking

Community-based approach to urban planning. Rethinking public spaces from the perspective of how people value and use these spaces



Environmental Justice

Involving the community equally and fair, regardless of ethnicity, income, residential status, age or race, in the planning and implementation of NbS interventions







Benefits of early and timely stakeholder involvement 4 CITIES





Substantive

Using stakeholder knowledge



Instrumental

Creating social acceptance



Normative

Legitimising decisions

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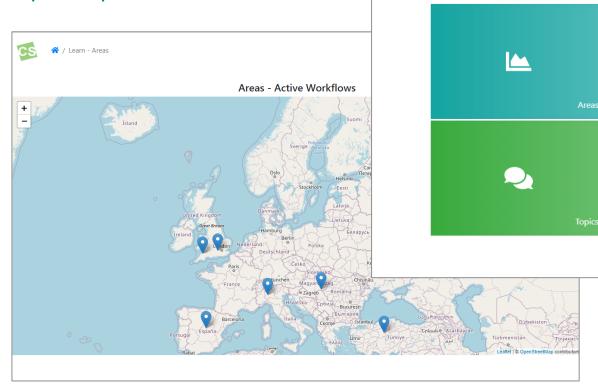


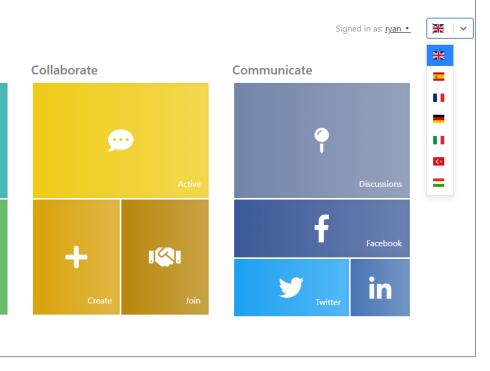
2. CitizenSay Overview





CitizenSay is an integrated platform for Citizen engagement and involvement throughout decision making and development processes







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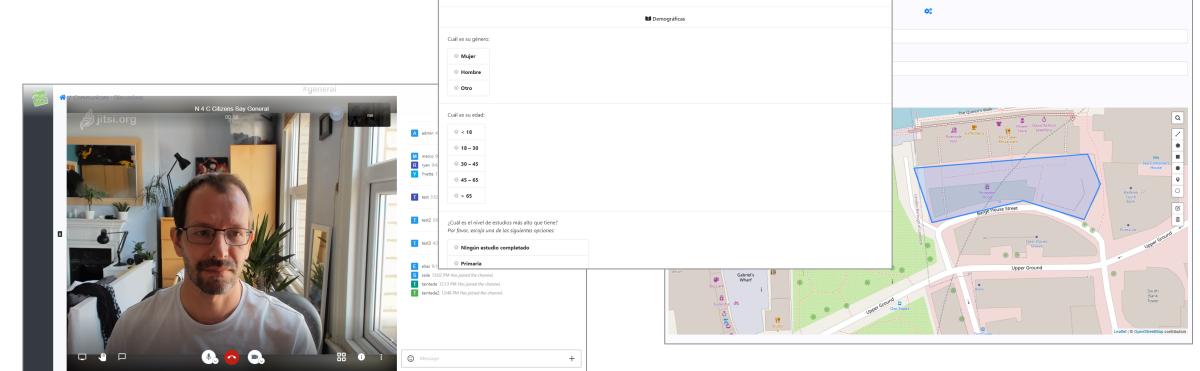
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CitizenSay modules let users create surveys to share with participants and lets users add numerous functionalities



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CitizenSay Workflows



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CitizenSay lets users define workflows so that they can create longer-term interactions around specific topics

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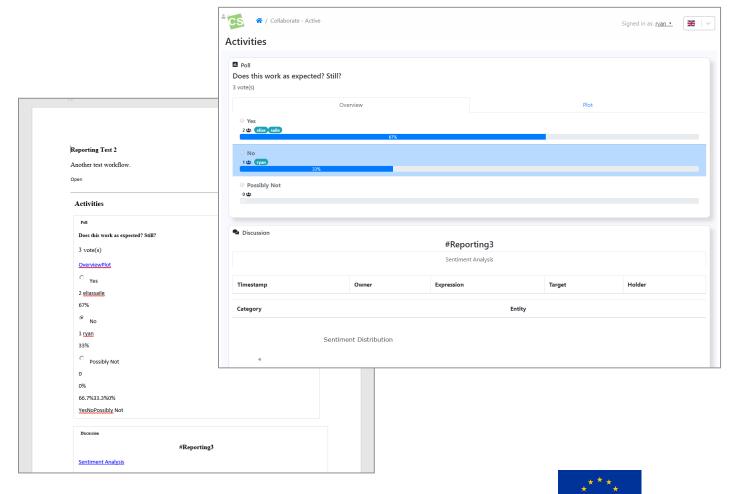
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CitizenSay Analytics



CitizenSay automatically generates summaries in which all activities in a workflow are documented and summarised





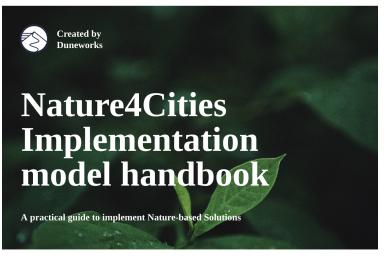




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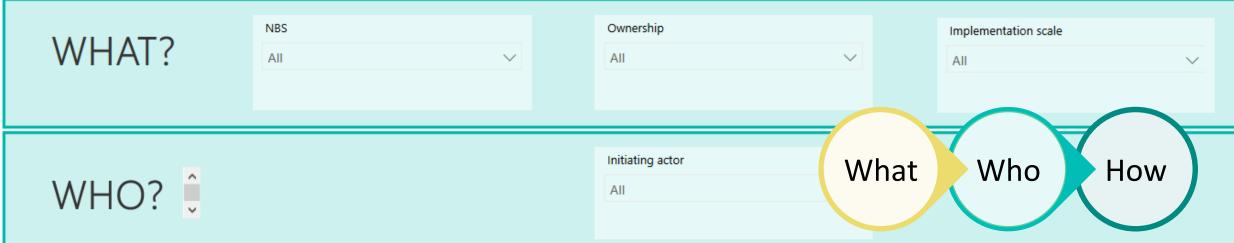


IMPLEMENTATION MODEL PRE-SELECTION TOOL

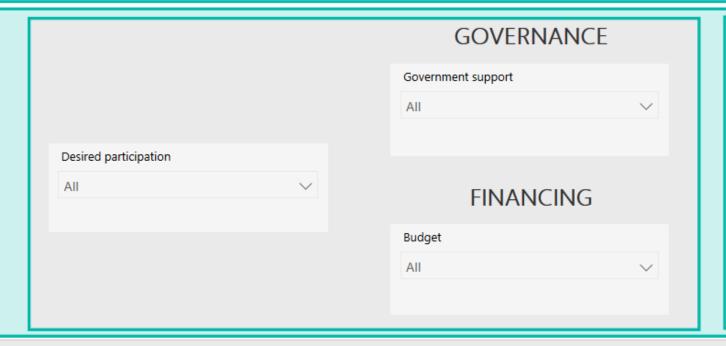


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HOW?



BUSINESS		
Economic context		
All	~	
Environmental awareness		
All	~	
Participation culture		
All	~	



Topics, scales and scenarios



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Three topics and scales:

- Rainwater (object scale)
- Parks (district scale)
- Ecological networks (city scale)

Five scenarios:

- Top down / Traditional Public Administration
- Citizens participation
- Co-creation / public private collaboration / networked government
- Bottom up initiative / government participation
- Private sphere: social entrepreneurship, households, companies, community initiative





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