

Regional Expert Workshop – Designing Climate Resilient Landscapes in Europe | Bilbao

Date: 28 - 29 October 2025

Meeting Location: Tecna:ia Office Edificio 204, Parque Científico y Tecnológico de Bizkaia, Laida Bidea, E-48170 Zamudio, Bilbao, Spain

Day 1 | Tuesday, 28.10.2025

Time	Agenda item	Speaker
12:00 – 13:00	Registration & lunch (finger food)	
13:00 – 13:25	Welcome and opening: towards Climate Resilient Landscapes in Europe	Michal Nekvasil, <i>European Commission, DG Climate Action</i>
13:25 – 13:45	Landscape resilience in focus: insights from the development process for the guidance document on Climate Resilient Landscapes	Dr. Lindsey Hendricks-Franco, <i>Ecologic Institute</i>
13:45 – 14:15	Keynote speech: Planning Climate-Resilient Coastal Landscapes in the Mediterranean	Ivan Sekovski, <i>PAP/RAC, DesirMED</i>
14:15 – 14:25	Coffee break	
14:25 – 15:10	Implementing measures for Climate Resilient Landscapes: Best Practices from the Basque Country	Adolfo Uriarte, <i>Department of Natural Resources and Climate Change, Basque Country Government</i> Jon Asua, <i>Department of Spatial Planning, Basque Country Government</i> Iñigo Urrutikoetxea, IHOBE
15:10 – 15:25	Open Discussion	
15:25 – 15:45	Coffee break	
15:45 – 16:05	Including Resilience in Spatial Planning	Gemma Garcia Blanco, Tecna:ia
16:05 – 17:35	Working Session Spatial Planning: breakout groups	
17:35 – 17:45	Group Reflection and Closing Words	Michal Nekvasil, <i>European Commission</i>
19:30	Social dinner in Bilbao city centre	<i>(self- paid)</i>

Day 2 | Wednesday, 29.10.2025

Time	Agenda Item	Comments
09:00 – 09:30	Registration & coffee	
09:30 – 09:45	Welcome and Day 2 Kick-Off	Michal Nekvasil , <i>European Commission, DG Climate Action</i>
09:45 – 10:15	Addressing Climate Threats in Resilient Forestry	Ferran Dalmau , <i>Medixxi (tbc) - online</i>
10:15 – 10:30	Implementing nature-based solutions in the Lèze valley, France	Thomas Breinig , <i>SMIVAL (SpongeWorks)</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Preliminary Insights into Guidance Chapters of Forestry, Agriculture, Freshwater	Dr. Lindsey Hendricks-Franco , <i>Ecologic Institute</i> Ida Meyenberg , <i>Ecologic Institute</i>
10:45 – 11:20	World Café: Climate Resilient Landscape Domains: Forestry; Freshwater; Agriculture	
11:20 – 11:45	Coffee break	
11:45 – 12:45	Interactive Session: Design a resilient landscape Applying lessons learned surrounding the implementation of Climate Resilient Landscapes	Dr. Lindsey Hendricks-Franco , <i>Ecologic Institute</i>
12:45 – 13:00	Closing remarks and Next Steps	Michal Nekvasil , <i>European Commission, DG Climate Action</i>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch (finger food)	