

# Nature Based Solutions: Opportunities in a time of Biodiversity Crisis and Climate Emergency

## Event Schedule

Tue, Apr 20, 2021

9:15am

### Day 1: Session 1

🕒 9:15am - 10:45am, Apr 20

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#### 4 Subsessions

- **Welcome and Introduction**  
🕒 9:30am - 9:35am, Apr 20
- **Malcolm Noonan, Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage**  
🕒 9:35am - 9:50am, Apr 20
- **What are Nature-based Solutions and why are they important?**  
🕒 9:50am - 10:20am, Apr 20
- **Nature-based solutions make the provision of water and wastewater services more sustainable**  
🕒 10:20am - 10:45am, Apr 20

10:45am

### Refreshment Break & Networking

🕒 10:45am - 11:15am, Apr 20

11:15am

### Day 1: Session 2

🕒 11:15am - 12:15pm, Apr 20

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#### 3 Subsessions

- **Poster Sessions**  
🕒 11:15am - 11:25am, Apr 20
- **Mapping of Dublin urban green spaces and historical land use change to determine habitat continuity**  
🕒 11:25am - 11:50am, Apr 20
- **Strategic approach to NBS for Irish flood relief schemes**  
🕒 11:50am - 12:15pm, Apr 20

12:15pm

### Refreshment Break & Networking

🕒 12:15pm - 12:45pm, Apr 20

12:45pm

**Day 1: Session 3**

🕒 12:45pm - 1:35pm, Apr 20

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**2 Subsessions**

- **The Peatlands Climate Action Scheme – New developments in peatland rehabilitation**  
🕒 12:45pm - 1:10pm, Apr 20
- **Coastal Saltmarshes as nature-based flood and erosion risk reduction components – the evidence base**  
🕒 1:10pm - 1:35pm, Apr 20

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**Irish Annual General Meeting**

🕒 1:35pm - 2:30pm, Apr 20

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**Day 2: Session 1**

🕒 9:15am - 11:25am, Apr 27

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**4 Subsessions**

- **Welcome and Introduction**  
🕒 9:30am - 9:35am, Apr 27
- **Edwin Poots - Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs**  
🕒 9:35am - 9:50am, Apr 27
- **The INCASE project: piloting Natural Capital Accounting at catchment scale in Ireland**  
🕒 9:50am - 10:20am, Apr 27
- **Creating and managing forests to deliver nature-based solutions**  
🕒 10:20am - 10:45am, Apr 27

10:45am

**Refreshment Break and Networking**

🕒 10:45am - 11:15am, Apr 27

11:15am

**PARALLEL SESSION 1: Nature based Solutions in Planning and strategy**

🕒 11:15am - 12:30pm, Apr 27

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**3 Subsessions**

- **A Move Towards Nature Based Solutions**  
🕒 11:15am - 11:40am, Apr 27
- **A framework to assess wetlands' potential as nature-based solutions**  
🕒 11:40am - 12:05pm, Apr 27
- **Nature Based Solutions at the core to green infrastructure plans for Birr, Co. Offaly, with a focus on the River Camcor**  
🕒 12:05pm - 12:30pm, Apr 27

**PARALLEL SESSION 2: Role of Communities in implementing Nature based Solutions**

🕒 11:15am - 12:30pm, Apr 27

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**3 Subsessions**

- **The Role of Citizen Science for Delivering Nature Based Solutions (NbS)**  
🕒 11:15am - 11:40am, Apr 27
- **Nature-based Solutions on the Maharees**  
🕒 11:40am - 12:05pm, Apr 27
- **Nature Based Solutions on Inishowen Rivers**  
🕒 12:05pm - 12:30pm, Apr 27

**PARALLEL SESSION 3: Nature based Solutions and Landscape management**

🕒 11:15am - 12:30pm, Apr 27

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**3 Subsessions**

- **Project: MacGillycuddy Reeks EIP Project and why farmers need to be included in and part of the Nature Based Solution to address the current challenges of Biodiversity loss and climate change**  
🕒 11:15am - 11:40am, Apr 27
- **Framework for Integrated Land and Landscape Management**  
🕒 11:40am - 12:05pm, Apr 27
- **Aligning policy and practice in an integrated landuse programme**  
🕒 12:05pm - 12:30pm, Apr 27

12:30pm

**Break (Zoom Q+A)**

🕒 12:30pm - 1:00pm, Apr 27

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**Round Table Discussion**

🕒 1:00pm - 2:30pm, Apr 27

Marcus Collier will chair a round table discussion with our three panellists on topics covered over the two sessions of the conference. They will explore some of the barriers encountered as well as practical actions we can take to implement Nature Based Solutions and address the challenges we are facing. Tune in for a good discussion and have the opportunity to engage with our panelists.

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#### Speaker and Chair



**Marcus Collier** Assistant Professor, Trinity College Dublin

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#### Speakers



**Hans Visser** Biodiversity Officer, Fingal County Council



**Tadhg Macintyre** Assistant Professor of Environmental Psychology, Maynooth University



**Trish Murphy** Project Officer, Inishowen Rivers Trust