Nature-based solutions from various perspectives

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COP27 – main topics

Mitigation

Adaptation

Finance

Loss and damage



COP27 - focus





COP27 – key aspects

Extreme weather events in 2022

Diverging interests of Parties

The role of the Egyptian COP Presidency

War in Ukraine – energy and food prices

Geopolitics

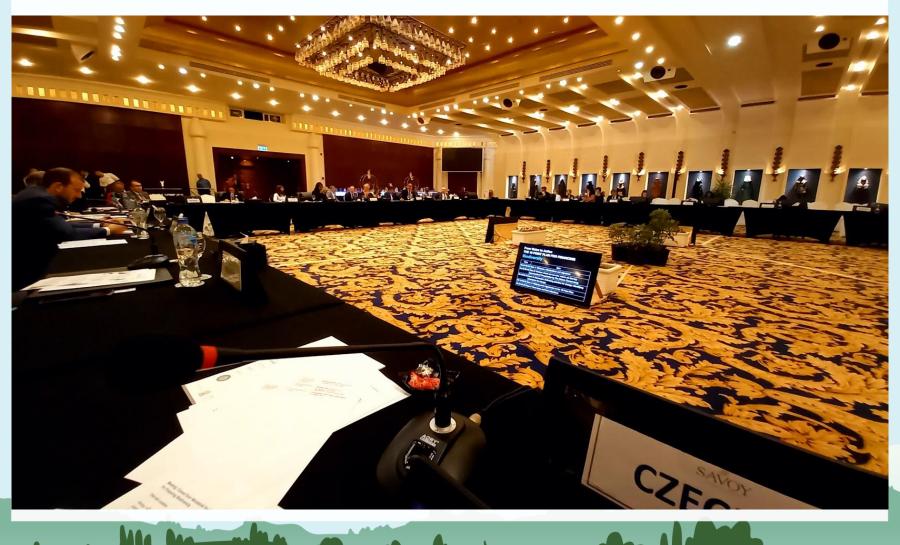






























COP27 - mitigation

Phase out of all fossil fuels

Peaking GHG emissions by 2025

NDC updates – only 29 Parties

Mitigation Work Programme

Role of biodiversity



COP27 - adaptation

Global goal on adaptation – focus on vulnerable

Adaptation on equal footing with mitigation

Measuring impact remains challenging / mitigation

Nature-based solutions (launch of <u>ENACT Initiative for Nature-based Solutions</u>)



COP27 - finance

100bn USD / year – not yet there

Doubling of adaptation funding – limited progress

Finance flows consistent with a pathway towards low greenhouse gas emissions and climate-resilient development (2.1c) – only dialogues

Reform of development assistance - focus on climate



COP27 – loss and damage

New loss and damage fund

- the most vulnerable countries
- broadening of the donors base
- assistance, not compensation
- also disaster risk reduction



COP27 – ENACT initiative

Enhancing NbS for an Accelerated Climate Transformation (DE, EGY, IUCN)

Resilience for 1billion vulnerable people

2.4 billion hectares of sustainable agricultural ecosystems

Protecting, conserving and restoring carbon-rich terrestrial ecosystems



COP27 - 10 point plan for financing

UK initiative + Ecuador, Gabon and Maldives

Geographical and global north-south coverage

Practical (quick, no new institutions...)

Multilateral development banks and private sector

Partnerships



EU recent instruments fostering NbS

EU Adaptation Strategy

EU Biodiversity Strategy

EU Nature Restoration Law

EU Soil Legal Framework

EU Forest Strategy



EU – supporting implementation

EbA Solution Portal (ecosystem-based adaptation)

Handbook on the impact of NbS for practitioners

Handbook for the implementation of NbS for water security

Handbook for practitioners to evaluate the impact of NbS

Policy Support Facility of the Covenant of Mayors

EU Mission on adaptation



EU – experience in financing NbS

Resilience and Recovery Facility
Cohesion policy
Common agricultural policy

- MS still much more interested in grey infrastructure
- indicators and measuring impact of NbS
- pilot projects
- limited progress
- mind shift needed



Climate Resilient Landscapes (1/3)

Held in September 2022 in Prague

Ca 200 recognized practitioners

Ca 20 transformative projects

Innovative approach

The Prague Appeal



Climate Resilient Landscapes (2/3)

Innovative holistic approach:

- water retention
- soil regeneration
- forest resilience
- halt of biodiversity loss
- ecosystem services recovery
- landscape approach



Climate Resilient Landscapes (3/3)

The Prague appeal:

- common elements of successful innovative projects
- obstacles for implementation of projects
- investing in NbS (banks and private sector)
- all institutions and individuals



Experience from Nicaragua

Mangrove management:

- recovery of the historical mangrove cover
- climate change impacts
- community-led



Green grey infrastructure – lessons learnt

Green: mangroves, oyster reefs, coral reefs, sand dunes

Grey: wave attenuation fences, breakwaters, bamboo fences)

Conservation International – advanced in GGI



Thank you for your kind attention!



