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THE SARCC FINAL CONFERENCE

SARCC's final conference will be available both in person and also online via a live-stream. Consult our website for more information about tickets.

VENUE:

- Park Inn Hotel – Southend-On-Sea
- Attend in person (sign up via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/368914612537>)
- Attend online (sign up via www.sarcc.eu/sarccfinalconferencebooking)

TIMING:

- December 6th PM – December 8th PM
- Tues 6th (12pm-5pm), Weds 7th (9am-5pm), Thurs 8th (9am-12:30pm)

AIM:

- Provide a forum for information sharing regarding nature-based solutions (NBS) in coastal cities. The conference will provide an overview of the SARCC project, detailing the outputs and results and address policy changes

AGENDA:

Day 1 - 6th Dec (12pm-5pm)

- 12:00 Lunch and networking
- 13:00 Conference introduction
 - Spoken intro and welcome
 - What SARCC set out to achieve
 - SARCC overview video
- 13:15 Presentations
 - Talk 1: What are the main pressures on coastal cities?
 - Keynote: NBS policy in a European and World context
 - Talk 3: Funding for NBS, challenge or opportunity?
 - Talk 4: Quantifying success of NBS projects
- 14:40 Coffee break
- 15:00 Engaging the public, a key for NBS mainstreaming + quickfire Q&A
- 15:20 Visualisation toolkit demo and roadshow feedback
- 15:50 Coffee break
- 16:00 Policy, funding and engagement panel
- 17:00 End of day 1

Day 2 - 7th Dec (9am-5pm, including afternoon site visit to Southend pilot)

- 09:00 Coffee and networking
- 09:30 Welcome back
 - Recap day 1
- 09:45 Keynote: Innovative ways of approaching NBS in coastal and estuarine cities
- 10:10 Collaboration between Interreg projects + highlights of Marineff
- 10:25 Coffee break
- 10:35 Pilots introduction
 - Pilot videos and presentations
 - 7 SARCC pilot projects overview
- 11:40 Guided pilot panel Q&A
- 12:20 Lunch / networking
- 13:30 SARCC Southend pilot site visits
- 15:45 Coffee break
- 16:00 NBS capacity building overview and presentation of WP2 booklet
- 17:00 End of day 2

Day 3 - 8th Dec (9am-12:30pm)

- 09:00 - Coffee / networking
- 09:30 - Welcome back
 - Recap day 2
- 09:45 - NBS knowledge panel and Q&A
- 11:15 - Coffee break
- 11:30 - Future projects, Making Space for Sand
- 11:50 - Catchment to Coast, the future of NBS policy
- 12:20 - Conference closing remarks
- 12:30 - Lunch and networking
- 13:30 - End of conference

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John Bennett

SARCC Project Manager and Lead Partner

Energy and Sustainability Project Manager at Southend on Sea Borough Council, leading the SARCC project partnership. John has a background in energy consultancy and an array of experience managing EU funded projects.



Amy Pryor

Technical Director, Thames Estuary Partnership, Estuary Edges project

Marine and estuarine scientist and Chair of the UK Coastal Partnerships Network with over 20 years of experience in the field of marine and coastal management. Amy leads on the development and management of a robust programme of projects and research across the main themes effecting the estuary including data, environmental enhancement, education, skills, training, research and innovation.



Michal Nekvasil

Climate Change Adaptation Expert, DG CLIMA, European Commission

An advisor on issues of climate change and its impacts with many years of experience in the delegation of EU in Nicaragua and Georgia, supervising more than 200 governmental and non-governmental projects focused on climate change, energy, environment (biodiversity protection, water management, forestry) and disaster risk reduction.



Jess Bone

Marineff

Jess is a research assistant and PhD researcher on the award-winning Marineff project, an EU co-funded project exploring ecological enhancement for coastal hard engineering. She has also advised other coastal defence schemes on eco-engineering, in conjunction with Hampshire County Council, Environment Agency and Mackley Ltd.



Heather Hilburn

CEO of Thames Estuary partnership

An Honorary Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects. Heather is also co-founder of Biodiversity Capital. Heather also sits on the board of Access, the Foundation for Social Investment, where she is working with partners to bring together social impact and climate investors from both the private and public sectors.



Bert Van Severen

Flemish Government

Bert is representing the Flemish Government, a partner organisation of the SARCC project. He will be talking about engagement with decision makers in charge of coastal management.



Pippa Moore

Professor of Ecology, University of Newcastle

Pippa Moore is a professor of marine science at Newcastle University with research interests into how climate change and other anthropogenic stressors impact shallow-water marine communities and how these impacts can be mitigated.



Jolyon Sharpe

Programme Manager: Making Space for Sand

Have lived and worked in Cornwall for much of my life, applying my learning in coastal and conservation management whilst working in Cornwall Council as a Countryside Officer and now acting as the lead in the Making Space for Sand project. When not leading on the MS4S I'm either repairing my fleet of old VW's or visiting one of the many fantastic beaches in Cornwall with my family.



Garry Momber

Director, Maritime Archaeology Trust

Garry Momber is Director of the Maritime Archaeology Trust. As a practising maritime archaeologist for over 30 years, he has assisted in the development of the discipline in the UK. His area of expertise is submerged landscapes and shipwrecks. He is currently directing the MAT's research into the maritime cultural heritage as a tool to inform on climate change.



Kat Konstantinou

Research Assistant in Coastal Processes, University of Plymouth

A background in civil engineering, and currently a PhD candidate with the Coastal Process Research Group (CPRG) at the University of Plymouth (UoP) focusing on satellite coastal dynamics. Leading the CPRG's long-standing beach survey program and involved as research assistant in the PORTOS (Ports Towards Energy Sufficiency) project, an INTERREG funded project. Project Manager for UoP for the Making Space for Sand project.



Marije Verlinde

Project manager within Vlissingen Council

Marije Verlinde, project manager continuously striving to improve the seaside city of Vlissingen in the Southwest of the Netherlands. Working on various area development projects and not afraid to think outside the box to handle the challenges that come with climate change.



Joanne Matthews

Principal Civil Engineer, Southend-on-Sea

Jo is a Principal Civil Engineer and NEC Project Manager with over twenty years' experience working in both the highways and flood and coastal erosion management sectors, with particular interest in NBS. Jo is the project sponsor for the FCRIP project, Catchment to Coast and also leads on flood and coastal strategy at the City Council, in addition to acting as LLFA Manager.



Flavia Cosoveanu

HZ University of Applied Sciences

Flavia Cosoveanu is a researcher and lecturer at the HZ University of Applied Sciences in Middelburg (The Netherlands). Besides lecturing part time, she researches the role of experiments in climate adaptation governance projects. She has developed methodologies to effectively translate learning outcomes into advice for decision and policy makers.



Fransje Hooimeijer

Associate Professor Environmental Technology & Design, TUDelft

Specialised in system integration of technical conditions in urban design and interdisciplinary design. In her research and teaching she takes the perspective on the city as technical construction and investigates how these conditions can be utilized better in urban design and how the systems can adapt to new technologies.

Hanne Van den Berghe

VIVES University

Hanne Van den Berghe obtained a Master and PhD at Ghent University in the field of Sciences, Geography. Currently, she is a researcher at Vives University College, Belgium. Her research focuses on climate adaptation and mitigation in rural and urban areas. She also coordinates the initiation of new climate and circularity research projects.



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