

URBAN BIODIVERSITY HUB



Enabling all levels of government to plan with nature
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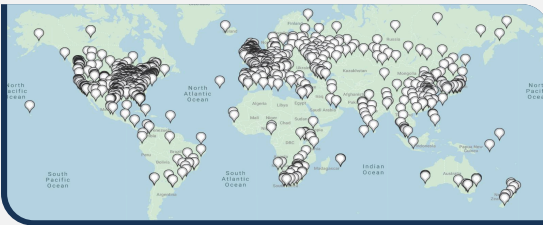


Our vision is a world where every decision-maker is enabled to incorporate urban impacts on nature into governance.

Who are we?

The Urban Biodiversity Hub (UBHub) is a global collective of scientists, policy experts, and practitioners helping local and subnational governments plan with nature. We combine research with practical tools that align the needs of governments across scales to support sustainability across all sectors.

Our team works around the world. We are known for agile and high quality expertise across disciplines linking cities and nature.



We harness our proprietary database (above) of urban initiatives and strategies for nature to understand and analyse current practice.

What do we do?

Produce **strategic guidelines and templates** to drive effective governance for nature at all scales.

Develop **comprehensive biodiversity and NbS frameworks and policies** with measurable indicators to enhance ecological and social health where people live.

Bridge theory and practice from the local to global scale through **articles, webinars, workshops, and training.**

Facilitate engagement that fosters collaboration and innovation, convening diverse experts and practitioners.

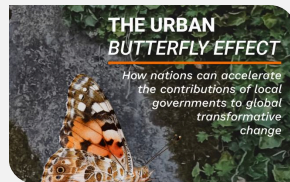
Who do we work with?



Multi-scalar Policy Guidance and Frameworks

National

The Urban Butterfly Effect (TUBE) policy brief calls on national governments to accelerate local actions to meet the Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) targets. We harnessed our database to identify how local actions collectively enhance biodiversity at the national and global scales.



Subnational

UBHub is collaborating with the Mexican government and international partners to develop a subnational index integrating biodiversity, water and climate indicators to support evidence-based decision-making across the country's 32 states. This index would standardize reporting across all the states for the NBSAP and GBF.

Local

UBHub developed the IUCN Urban Nature Indexes (UNI), a framework for cities to measure their impact on nature. The UNI guides decision-making and supports cities of any size and context to report their progress towards the GBF and SDGs. We also support the application of the UNI with and for local governments.



Expertise and Services

RENEWING URBAN WATERWAYS

Prioritizing freshwater and biodiversity health through urban protection and restoration in Asian cities



Nature-based Solutions & Resilience Planning

UBHub is advancing NbS in urban contexts, such as by developing IUCN's Urban Interpretation of the Global NbS Standards. We are also a founding partner on a multilateral initiative supporting watershed-scale planning, restoration targets and hazard resilience in and around waterways in Asia.



Facilitation & Knowledge Synthesis

UBHub convenes experts and practitioners to synthesize insights and workshop solutions together. For example, we developed the SBTN Science-Based Targets for Nature in Cities on the biodiversity impacts of land use planning through an interactive workshop and a series of interviews.



Regional Intelligence

UBHub's Regions Programme supports professionals interested in cities and nature in 6 regions: Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, North America, and Oceania. For example, our North America team provide guidance on municipal finance and governance solutions for NbS in Canada.

