

AGENDA

European and regional conference Impact Assessment and EU Taxonomy: From Policy to Practice

WEDNESDAY

8/10/2025

18:00 **Registrations**

19:00 **Welcome drink**

THURSDAY

9/10/2025

8:00 **Registrations**

9:00 **Welcome and Opening**

- **Nenad Mikulić**, Croatian Association of Experts in Nature and Environmental Protection
- **Ministry of Environmental Protection and Green Transition, Croatia**
- **Vesna Kolar Planinšić**, Espoo Convention
- **World Bank**
- **Gary Baker**, International Association for Impact Assessment

10:00 **Coffee break**

10:30 **Keynote speeches**

- **Adam Daniel Nagy**, European Commission
- **Jiri Dusik**, United Nations Development Programme
- **Anna Maria Maggiore**, Ministry of Environment and Energy Security, Italy
- **Nick Marchesi**, European Investment Bank

12:30 **Lunch**

13:30 **EU sustainability regulations – Omnibus package**

Moderated by **Mirjana Matešić**, Croatian Business Council for Sustainable Development

Intro presentation by **Mirjana Matešić**, Croatian Business Council for Sustainable Development

- **Amalija Jurin**, Ministry of Finance, Croatia
- **Nick Marchesi**, European Investment Bank
- **Nikolina Markota Vukić**, The Croatian Institute for CSR
- **Jasminka Rojko**, Rojko and Co., Croatia

15:00 **Coffee break**



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THURSDAY

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15:30

parallel session 1:

EU sustainability regulations

- Intro presentation: **Omnibus impacts on sustainability and competitiveness** – Mirjana Matešić, Croatian Business Council for Sustainable Development
- **Guidelines for the Application of the DNSH Principle in EU Cohesion Projects in Slovenia** – Sabina Cepuš, ZaVita Ltd., Slovenia
- **Climate change and the DNSH principle: Integration into development projects** – Sebastijan Trstenjak, EcoMission Ltd., Croatia
- **Impact of EU Taxonomy implementation on LTV, DSCR, GAR, and CO₂ Emissions indicators, during the loan approval process** - Branimir Grgat, Croatian Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- **Energy Sector: Strategic Environmental Assessment for Nuclear Power Programmes and the EU Taxonomy Requirements** - Afanasyeva Taisiya, IAEA; Austria
- **Green Urban Renewal Strategies and their Contribution to EU Taxonomy Objectives** - Mirjana Meštrić, Green infrastructure Ltd., Croatia
- **Construction waste as a secondary raw material: directions for optimization in recycling processes and production of recycled aggregates** – Ivančica Somođi (HEP, Croatia)

presentation order is not yet confirmed

15:30

parallel session 2:

Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA/SEA)

- Intro presentation: **Environmental Assessments - SEA monitoring** (video) – Anna Maria Maggiore, Ministry of Environment and Energy Security, Italy
- **Project variations in EIA procedures** – Sunčana Bilić, Green infrastructure Ltd., Croatia
- **Developing a Green System and Green Standards in the Municipality of Kranj through Stakeholder Engagement** – Vojnović Ana, ZaVita Ltd., Slovenia
- **Assessment of O₃ formation through photochemical reactions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) with nitrogen oxides (NO_x) in the oil and petroleum products storage area** – Mario Poleto, Ivicom Ltd., Croatia
- **Transboundary environmental impact assessment under the Espoo Convention**, Espoo Convention
- **Social impact Assessment in Croatia** – Maja Celinščak, HUSZPO, Zadruga Granum Salis, Croatia
- **Navigating EIA Limits: Social Impacts in Romania's Development Landscape** - Flaviu Petean, World Bank

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parallel session 3:

Nature Conservation - Appropriate assessment - Habitat Restoration

- Intro presentation: **Conservation Status of Species and Habitats in Croatia for the period 2019 - 2024 – Report Overview** – Petra Rodić Ministry of Environmental Protection and Green Transition, Croatia, Croatia
- **Effectiveness of Overriding Public Interest in the Case of the Hydropower Plant Project Mokrice** – Vesna Kolar Planinšič, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Energy, Slovenia
- **A deep dive into species sensitivity mapping in Croatia** – Zec Mate, The Nature Conservancy, Croatia – TBC
- **Time efficiency in Appropriate assessment considering DSH principle in the case of spatial plan for Ptuj – Markovci motor way in Slovenia** - Simona Kaligarič, Institute for Nature Conservation, Slovenia
- **Challenges in Assessing Impacts on Geodiversity in the Republic of Croatia** - Marko Čutura, Ires Ekologija, Croatia
- **Critical Habitat Assessments: Benefits, Challenges and Examples** - Hrvoje Peternel, Geonatura d.o.o., Hrvatska

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20:00

Formal dinner



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CEMEX

FRIDAY

10/10/2025

8:00

Registrations

9:00

Cumulative Effects - Renewable Energy Projects

in cooperation with Renewable Energy Sources of Croatia - OIEH



Moderated by Mario Mesarić, HUSZPO, Ires ekologija Ltd., Croatia
Intro presentation by **Jiri Dusik**, United Nations Development Programme

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- **Vjeka Kniewald**, CGE Ltd., OIEH, Croatia
- **Josip Stojak**, Ires ekologija Ltd., Croatia
- **Matjaž Harmel**, ZaVita Ltd., Slovenia

10:30

Coffee break

11:00

Nature Restoration Regulation – Challenges and Opportunities

Moderated by **Ana Kobašić**, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Green Transition, Croatia
Intro presentation by **Ivana Jelenić**, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Green Transition, Croatia

- **Aljoša Duplić**, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Green Transition, Croatia
- **Irena Križ Šelendić**, Ministry of Physical Planning, Construction and State Assets, Croatia
- **Krešimir Žagar**, Croatian Forests Ltd.
- **Ivan Vučković**, Elektroprojekt Ltd.

12:30

Lunch

14:00

Social aspects in EIA

Moderated by **Fajar Djati**, World Bank
Intro presentation by **Merica Pletikosić**, CEMEX Croatia

- **Flaviu Petean**, World Bank
- **Rafael Antonio Corral Coronel** - World Bank
- **Jana Šarinić**, University of Zagreb, Croatia
- **Ariana Korlaet**, Studio Ad modum, Croatia
- **Ognjen Škunca**, Granulum Salis, Croatia
- **Merica Pletikosić**, CEMEX Croatia

15:30

Coffee break

16:00

Farewell speech and Conclusions

Nenad Mikulić, Croatian Association of Experts in Nature and Environmental Protection