

# 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
- **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

- **Judita Cuculić Župa**, European Commission
- **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
- **Adina Relicovschi**, Sustainability Leadership and Finance/Environmental Policy Lead

15:00

**Coffee break**

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 CO<sub>2</sub> 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

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
- **Transboundary environmental impact assessment under the Espoo Convention** - Vesna Kolar Planinšič, Espoo Convention
- **Developing a Green System and Green Standards in the Municipality of Kranj through Stakeholder Engagement** – Vojnović Ana, ZaVita Ltd., Slovenia
- **Project variations in EIA procedures** – Fanica Vresnik, Green infrastructure Ltd., Croatia
- **Assessment of O<sub>3</sub> formation through photochemical reactions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) with nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) in the oil and petroleum products storage area** – Mario Poletto, Ivicom Ltd., Croatia
- **Social Impact Assessment in Croatia: Experts' Perspective on Current Practice, Key Constraints, and Future Directions** – Maja Celinščak, HUSZPO, Zadruga Granum Salis, Croatia
- **Navigating EIA Limits: Social Impacts in Romania's Development Landscape** - Flaviu Petean, World Bank

15:30

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
- **A deep dive into species sensitivity mapping in Croatia** – Zec Mate, The Nature Conservancy, Croatia – TBC
- **Critical Habitat Assessments: Benefits, Challenges and Examples** - Elena Patčev, Geonatura d.o.o., Hrvatska
- **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
- **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
- **Challenges in Assessing Impacts on Geodiversity in the Republic of Croatia** - Marko Čutura, Ires Ekologija, Croatia

20:00

**Formal dinner with music**

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 Kobašlić**, 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.
- **Ivana Selanec**, BIOM Association, Croatia

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**Lunch**

14:00

## Social aspects in EIA

Moderated by **Fajar Djati**, World Bank

Intro presentation by **Merica Pletikosić**, CEMEX Croatia

- **Natalija Golubovac**, 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

## Closing remarks and Conclusions

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

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