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Catalyzing Local Governments Action for the Post 2020 Global Biodiversity Framework: Local Governments Biodiversity Action

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21 October 2020 | 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. CEST (Central Europe Summer Time).

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(registration closes on 20/10/2020)

Brief description

The event will present the project "Catalysing Local Government Action Post 2020 for Global Biodiversity Framework" as part of the EU-SA Strategic Partnership. The project includes a dialogue that will enable the participating South African district municipalities and eight metros to engage with their EU counterparts on the role and contributions of local governments in achieving national and global biodiversity targets, and strategies for raising ambition and advancing uptake/implementation.

This session is organised as a [2020 European Week of Regions and Cities](#) side event.

Welcome messages

- **Roby Biwer**, [Rapporteur on biodiversity at the European Committee of the Regions \(CoR\)](#) & Bettembourg city councillor (Luxembourg);
- **Dr Kiruben Naicker**, Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (South Africa)

Presentations by

- **Ingrid Coetzee**, Senior Manager: Biodiversity and Nature-based Solutions;
- **Ntakadzeni Tshidada**, Deputy Director: Biosafety and AIS / National Focal Point: Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (South Africa)

Q&A

Moderator

Roberto Rinaldi, Policy officer, ENVE commission, European Committee of the Regions (CoR)