



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

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ICLEI European Secretariat in cooperation with the [EKLIPSE project](#), the [NATURVATION project](#) and Municipality of Athens are organising the two-day capacity-building workshop on **Financing Greener Cities - Strengthening the capacity of local authorities and practitioners for making informed decisions on financing nature-based solutions** in Athens, Greece on October 8 and 9, 2019.

Webpage: <http://bit.ly/financinggreencities>

This document provides information about the planned event, answering some of the most **frequently asked questions** that have been submitted.

Is it possible to attend the workshop in Athens accompanied by another representative of the organisation?

Unfortunately not. We are very honoured for your interest, but we received more than 100 applications and we have a limited number of seats available. However after the event we will send documentation about it so you can share it.

Could you recommend an affordable place to stay in Athens?

We are currently working together with the municipality of Athens in creating a guidance document which will contain information about accommodation and transport. We will share it as soon as possible.

Municipality of Athens encourages participants to stay in the city center. There are plenty of choices for all budgets. The venue is 10 minutes walk from the metro [station Kerameikos and easily accessible with buses from the core of the city.](#)

Where will the meeting take place exactly?

The meeting will take place in the **SERAFIO complex** (www.serafio.gr). At the website you can see the location in Google Maps. You can use this as a reference for scanning the accommodation options.

Do you cover the hotel costs for up to 3 nights or the maximum is up to 2?

The principal rule is to cover the expenses for two nights, but if by any circumstances you need an extra third night (as no flight connections or lack of public transport) please contact us explaining your situation. In principle there is no problem on having a third night if you **do not exceed the maximum amount of 350€** to be reimbursed. For more information the reimbursement form can be checked [here](#), and for further questions you can contact ICLEI.

I was not able to attend the webinar. Are there any materials available to read through?

You can find the Report embedded with the audio of the call in the ICLEI website. Please see the documents in the bottom of the page.



Will the organisers arrange accommodation and transport for us?

No. You will need to arrange your own accommodation and transport. However, we offered the practical information document that provides you with tips whilst your stay in Athens. You can find it in the ICLEI website.

Is there a Practical Info Document?

Yes there is. Please see the last version uploaded on the website page.

What is ICLEI?

ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability is the world's leading network of over 1,500 cities, towns, and regions committed to achieving tangible improvements in global sustainability and environmental conditions through cumulative local actions. Next to actively encouraging and supporting peer-to-peer exchanges between local governments in and beyond Europe, ICLEI acts as a facilitator and knowledge broker between local governments, science, societal actors and the private sector and disseminates project and policy information across Europe and its 17 offices. More about ICLEI: <http://iclei-europe.org/>

What is EKLIPSE?

EKLIPSE is an EU-funded project that started in February 2016. The project aims to establish a robust and flexible long-term mechanism to provide knowledge for policy support on biodiversity and ecosystem services. It aims to communicate and engage with a wide set of knowledge holders in its work to ensure tailor-made results to knowledge requesters and society more broadly. EKLIPSE coordinates innovative and transparent approaches for science, policy and societal actors to jointly provide the best available evidence leading to better informed decision-making. EKLIPSE also aims to identify capacity gaps relating to the Science-Policy-Society interface, regarding biodiversity and ecosystem services, and to support entities with the necessary expertise to develop and provide capacity building with EU relevance. More about EKLIPSE: www.eklipse-mechanism.eu/

What is NATURVATION?

NATure-based URban innovATION is a 4-year project involving 14 institutions across Europe in the fields of urban development, geography, innovation studies and economics. We are creating a step-change in how we understand and use nature-based solutions for sustainable urbanisation. More about NATURVATION: <https://naturvation.eu/>



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