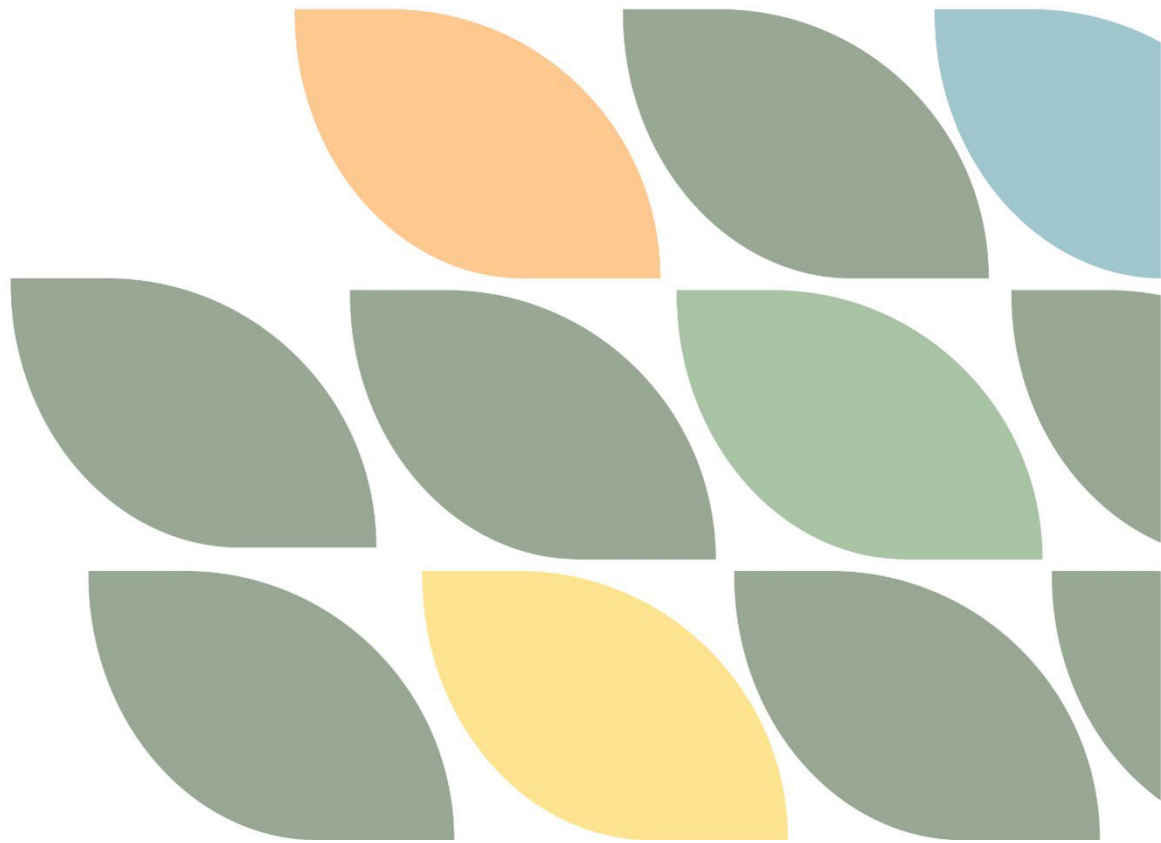




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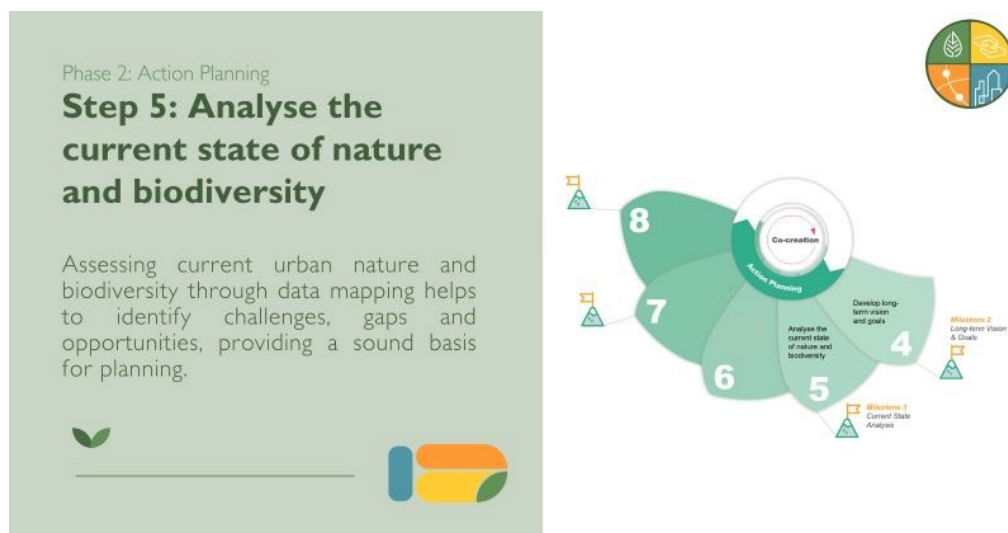
Short brief: step 5 for
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Urban Nature Plans – step 5

Nature belongs in our cities and urban nature plans are a key! This short brief provides an introduction to step 5 for urban nature plans.



Exploring the process - Step 5: Current state of nature and biodiversity

This step is about understanding the current state before it is possible to plan for the future. Analysing the current state of nature and biodiversity in urban areas involves mapping land use types, assessing existing nature spaces and understanding socio-economic factors. This data will help identify challenges, gaps and opportunities to improve urban ecosystems. This step also fulfils Milestone 3: Current State Analysis, ensuring that the plan is based on sound data and evidence.

Key actions:

- ✓ Map public and private natural areas, including parks, gardens and tree canopy cover.
- ✓ Assess biodiversity and key habitats in urban areas.
- ✓ Identify challenges such as accessibility to natural spaces or risks such as pollution and climate change.

Want to learn more?

Guidance	Principles for Delivering Urban Nature-based Solutions This report sets out six principles for delivering urban nature-based solutions (NBS) in order to help developers, owners, operators, and occupiers to design, deliver, and operate their assets in such a way that improves climate resilience and environmental impact. The range of initiatives, policies, commitments, and tools highlighted within the guidance is testament to the rapid evolution in the topics of climate adaptation, restoring nature, and promoting biodiversity.
Tool	Copernicus Land Monitoring Service This tool provides geographical information on land cover and its changes, land use, ground motions, vegetation state, water cycle and Earth's surface energy variables to a broad range of users in Europe and across the World in the field of environmental terrestrial applications.



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