

COP29 Side Event

(Re)Storing Nature, (Re)Building Peace: Environmental Recovery and Climate-Resilient Development of Ukraine

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13:00 – 14:30, Ukrainian Pavilion

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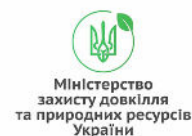
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Abstract

In the wake of conflict, Ukraine faces the triple challenge of addressing climate change, healing its natural environment, and rebuilding. This panel brings together experts in climate science, environmental peacebuilding, and conservation to discuss innovative approaches to climate-resilient environmental stewardship that not only mitigate and adapt to climate change but also contribute to lasting peace and stability.

Key areas of discussion will include:

1. Climate-Focused Environmental Peacebuilding: Exploring how natural -based solution can build resilience, foster dialogue, and contribute to peace in post-conflict regions of Ukraine.
2. Ecocide and Climate Justice: Examining the environmental and climate-related damages caused by conflict, discussing legal and practical approaches to hold perpetrators accountable, and preventing future destruction that exacerbates climate vulnerabilities.
3. Peatlands as Climate Champions: Highlighting the crucial role of Ukraine's peatlands in carbon sequestration, climate regulation and freshwater storage in the landscape, and discussing conservation, restoration and sustainable management efforts such as paludiculture to enhance their capacity as natural climate solutions in the face of conflict-related challenges.
4. Climate-Resilient National Parks and Biosphere Reserves: Investigating the potential of Ukraine's national parks to serve as models of climate adaptation, promoting biodiversity conservation and sustainable, climate-conscious tourism while fostering cross-border collaboration on climate action.

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