

Eklipse Call for Review of the draft knowledge synthesis report for the EmpowerUs request on "Nature-based Solutions and Empowerment tools".

Welcome to the Eklipse online Review form.

Background: This form was created to review the draft report: "**How can community Empowerment Tools (ET) and Nature-Based Solutions (NBS) contribute to addressing coastal challenges and building resilient communities?**"; prepared by an Eklipse Expert Working Group (EWG) (<https://eklipse.eu/request-empowerus/>). This knowledge synthesis has been requested by the [Project "Socio-economic EMPOWERment of Coastal communities as USers of the sea to ensure sustainable coastal development" \(EmpowerUs\)](#).

Following the method protocol, the Expert Working Group has now drafted their work: a report that aims to rapidly review and summarise the current state of the existing evidence concerning the role of Nature-based Solutions (NbS) and community Empowerment Tools (ETs) in addressing coastal challenges across Europe, as well as critically assess the impact/outcomes of these interventions in fostering empowerment and therefore resilience within these communities.

The draft report can be found on the Eklipse website and is open for consultation and review until April 22nd, 2024. The Executive summary, the final editing and reformatting of the document will be undertaken after the draft report's review. Eklipse is committed to ensuring the usability of all its products and is therefore organising an open review process of this draft report engaging a range of stakeholders. Thank you very much for your willingness to participate in this extended peer-review. This is an essential and critical phase to ensure the usability of the developed output.

- Deadline to submit your review: April 22nd, 2024 at midnight

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4, please comment on Annexes.

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5, you can add further comments or general appreciation.

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6. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

25. 6.1. General introduction/findings

26. 6.2. Specific Objective 1: Rapidly review and summarise the volumes, characteristics and contributions of the existing evidence on the application of NbSs for coastal resilience building in Europe and other high-income countries and territories.

27. 6.3. Specific Objective 2: Rapidly review and summarise the volumes, characteristics and contributions of the existing evidence on the application of ETs for coastal resilience building in Europe and other high-income countries and territories, and develop a catalogue and classification scheme of ETs for this context.

28. 6.4. Specific Objective 3: Synthesise the scope and characteristics of the joint application of NbSs and ETs for coastal resilience building in Europe and other high-income countries and territories, and critically assess the outcomes/impacts of such interventions in fostering empowerment.

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36. ANNEX 4. Complementary analyses about the contribution of distinct NbS approaches to coastal challenges and resilience

Thank you and next steps

Many thanks for your input to the Eclipse review of the draft report on Nature-based Solutions and Empowerment tools. The Expert Working Group will consider all comments, and the final report will be released on the Eclipse website. All reviewers will be acknowledged unless you specify to the contrary.

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