

## **Session 5B - Economy for Equitable Cities**

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Scientific Day - Theme 5. Changing Economy for Equitable Cities

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Applications of conventional economics, through an influence on government policy and acceptance of unmitigated market forces, often contribute to the challenges of polarisation and fragmentation within cities, which are linked to inequality as well as social and political instability. This session invites contributions presenting new methods, strategies, and driving forces on terms that support NBS and healthy corridors while diminishing inequality in urban development.

The present proposal aims to review the role of economics and how it is applied in shaping the driving forces, decisions, processes, and outcomes relating to the fragmentation and polarisation of cities. The session welcomes new methods strategies to operationalise and assess more favourable and inclusive outcomes, with particular attention to the issues and opportunities pertaining to Nature-based Solutions and Healthy Corridors.

Furthermore, the session could contribute with new insights related to governance and the means of achieving capacity building to overcome some of the most serious and lingering issues confronting the urban environment. The session also aims to broadening the theoretical and conceptual dimensions of the Healthy Corridor.