

Overview of resources emerging from the Connecting Nature Framework

Various supporting documents and videos have been created to support the cities in the Connecting Nature project and other cities interested in working with the Connecting Nature Framework.

1. Connecting Nature Framework figure. This video is intended as first short introduction to the framework for any listener working on urban challenges: https://youtu.be/bM3ds_ZdYfc
2. Connecting Nature Framework video on the benefits of using the framework by the Connecting Nature Cities https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wvbjngig1_Q.
3. Connecting Nature Framework guidebook on the Connecting Nature website: <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/connecting-nature-framework>, <https://connectingnature.eu/sites/default/files/images/inline/Connecting%20Nature%20Framework.pdf>
4. Every Connecting Nature Framework element has its own practical guidebook published on the Connecting Nature website to support urban practitioners in working with this element. On this website additional resources are added per element.
 - Technical solutions <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/technical-solutions>
 - Governance <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/governance>
 - Financing and business models <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/financing-and-business-models>
 - Nature-based enterprises <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/nature-based-enterprises>
 - Co-production <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/co-production>
 - Impact assessment <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/impact-assessment>
 - Reflexive monitoring <https://connectingnature.eu/innovations/reflexive-monitoring>
5. Connecting Nature Framework Manual. In this manual guiding questions for all Connecting Nature Framework elements are written for the cities to support them in writing their Connecting Nature Framework Reports.
6. Personal learning narratives by the Connecting Nature Cities. These videos are intended as testimonials of how the framework has impacted the cities in working on nature-based solutions. They have been shared with all project partners, and as examples in courses.
 - A Coruña: https://youtu.be/x5yeivy1_L0
 - Burgas: <https://youtu.be/PazHCQzeWb4>
 - Genk: <https://youtu.be/-UaoY3ME1iA>
 - Glasgow: <https://youtu.be/bEyF6pt-cs>
 - Nicosia: <https://youtu.be/LoP8Rfmqglw>
 - Pavlos Melas: <https://youtu.be/vqTyAEfdi6k>
 - Poznań: <https://youtu.be/xNCrAze39Oc>
 - Sarajevo: <https://youtu.be/4mLadSUMI2U>
7. The Connecting Nature Framework descriptions in Deliverable format (Hölscher et al. 2022; Xidou et al. 2022).
8. Information on the nature-based solution “Green Wall for kindergarten” in the city Yerevan, Armenia
 - On Oppla platform: <https://oppla.eu/casestudy/18930>
 - On Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NO-H1XR9NA4>

Appendix A – Connecting Nature Figures

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Workshop on Business Model Canvas in A Coruña

To better understand how to finance our exemplar, not only relying on municipal funds (Nov. 2019)

Annual General Meeting in Malaga

1st presentational meeting for our new CN team. It was really important to learn and put in practice new concepts, such as the CN Framework and the Reflexive Monitoring (Oct. 2019)

Selection of exemplar: urban gardens

Urban gardens network had a great potential as a first step for the green infrastructure strategy (Sept. 2019)

Connection with Employment department and URBACT RU:RBAN project

The Employment dpt. was involved in another EU project on urban gardens, working already with a group of stakeholders developing school gardens (Dec. 2019)

High level meeting with the City Councillors for Environment, Education, Employment and Tourism and Markets

This helped us secure political support to develop our exemplar and collaborate with the different departments (March 2020)

CN Exemplar awarded as National Best Practice

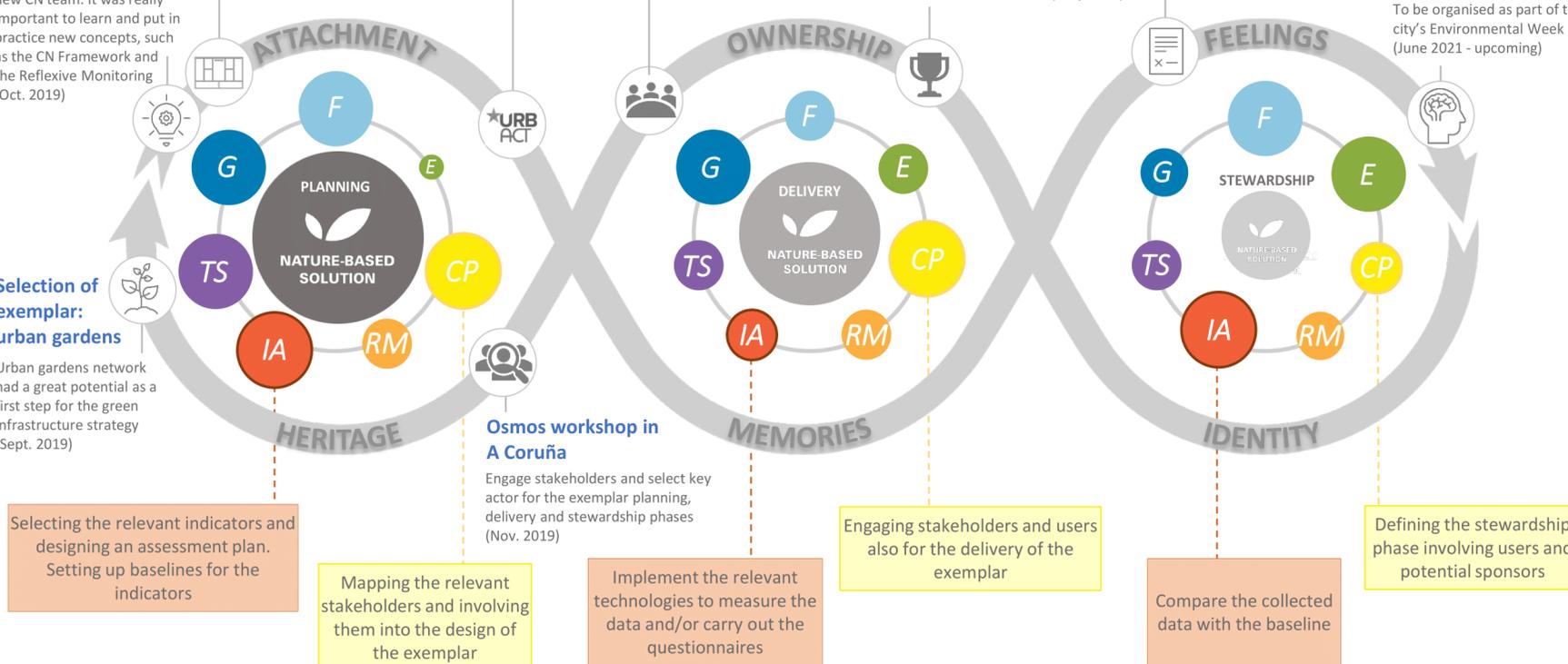
1st prize in the category of NBS, helpful to further secure political support and increase citizen awareness (May 2021)

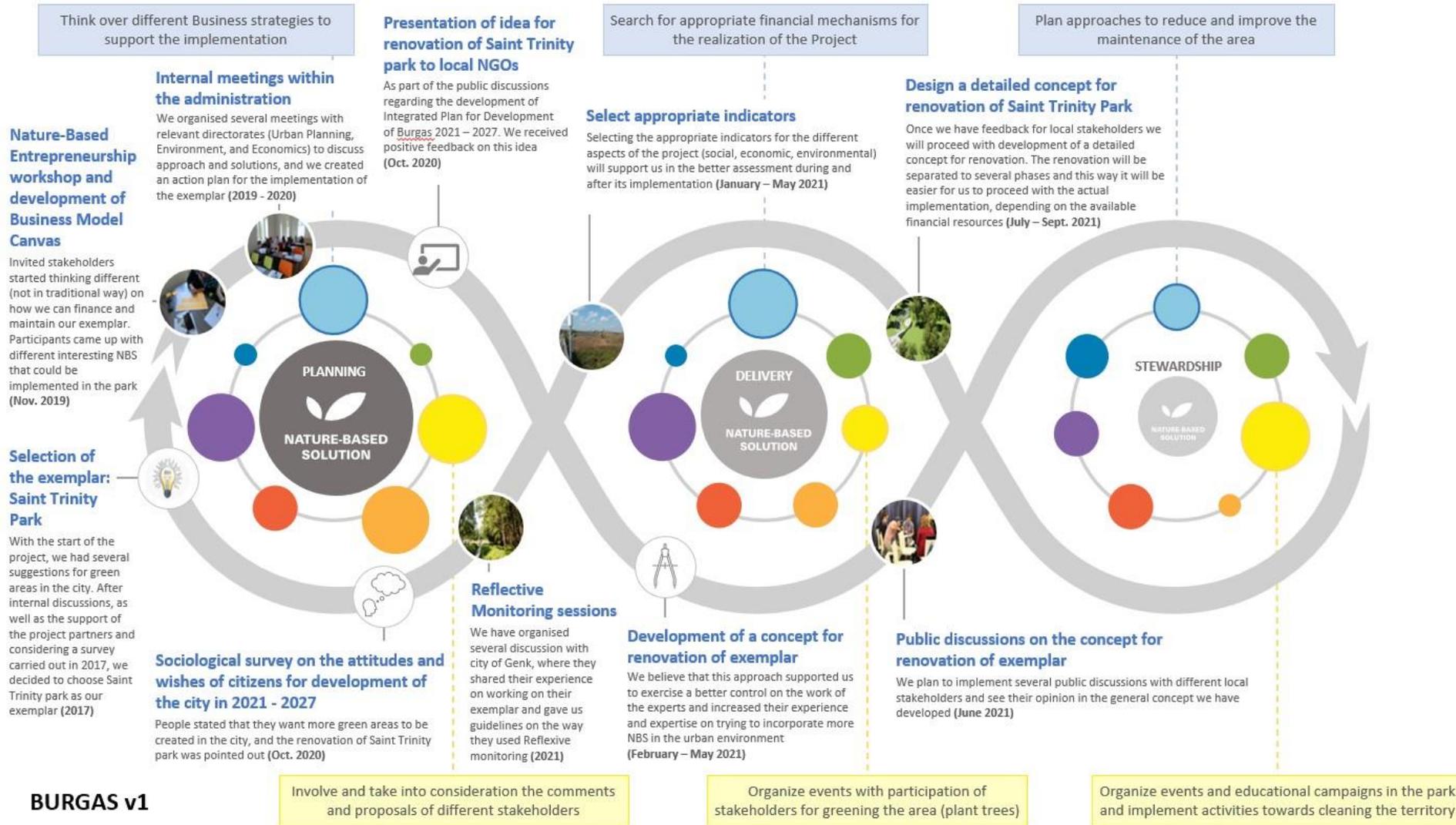
New maintenance tender for the city's green areas including UG

With our inputs embedded for the green areas of the city, which will have a separated lot for the maintenance of urban gardens, aimed at social integration enterprises (May-April 2021)

Sarajevo process

To be organised as part of the city's Environmental Week (June 2021 - upcoming)

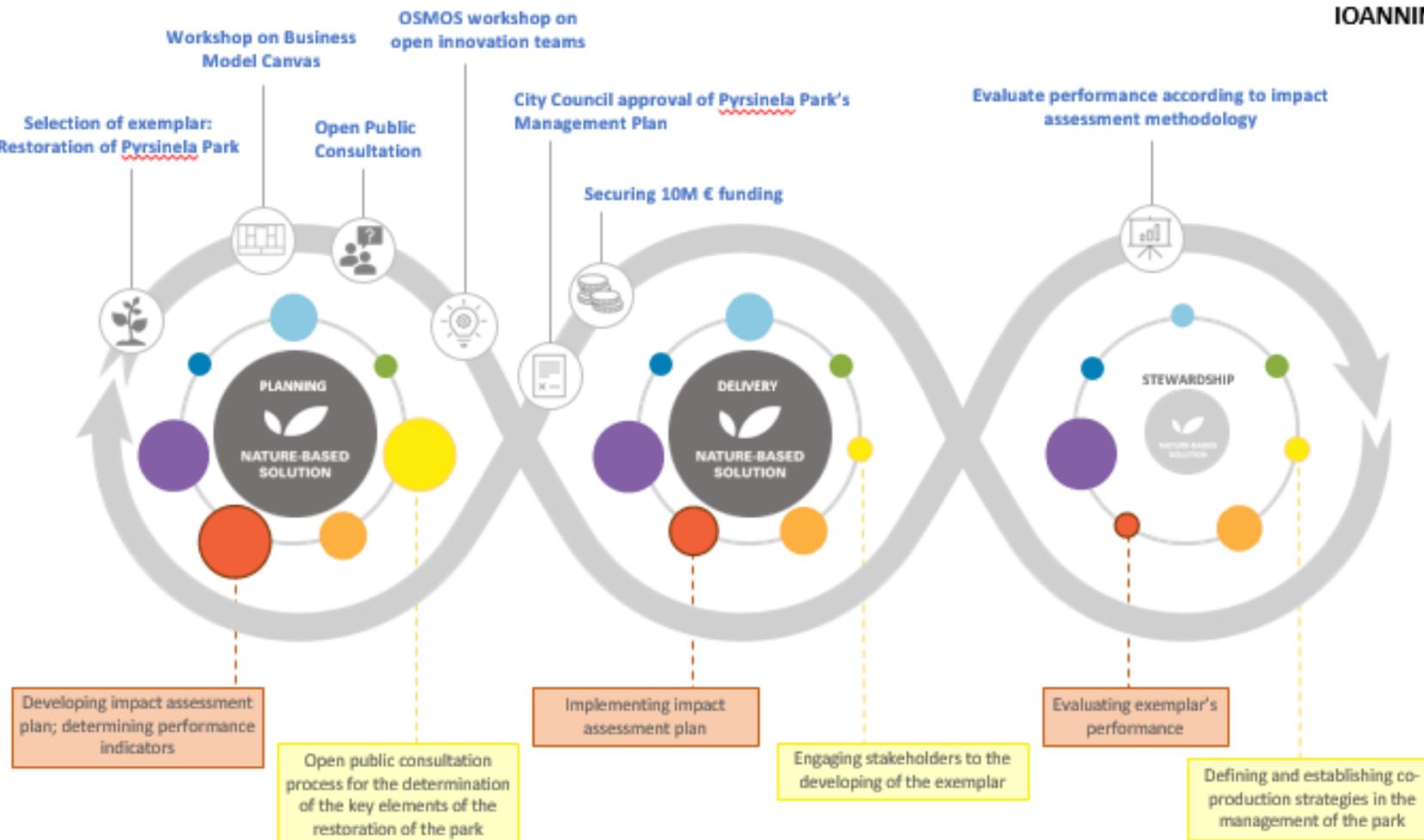


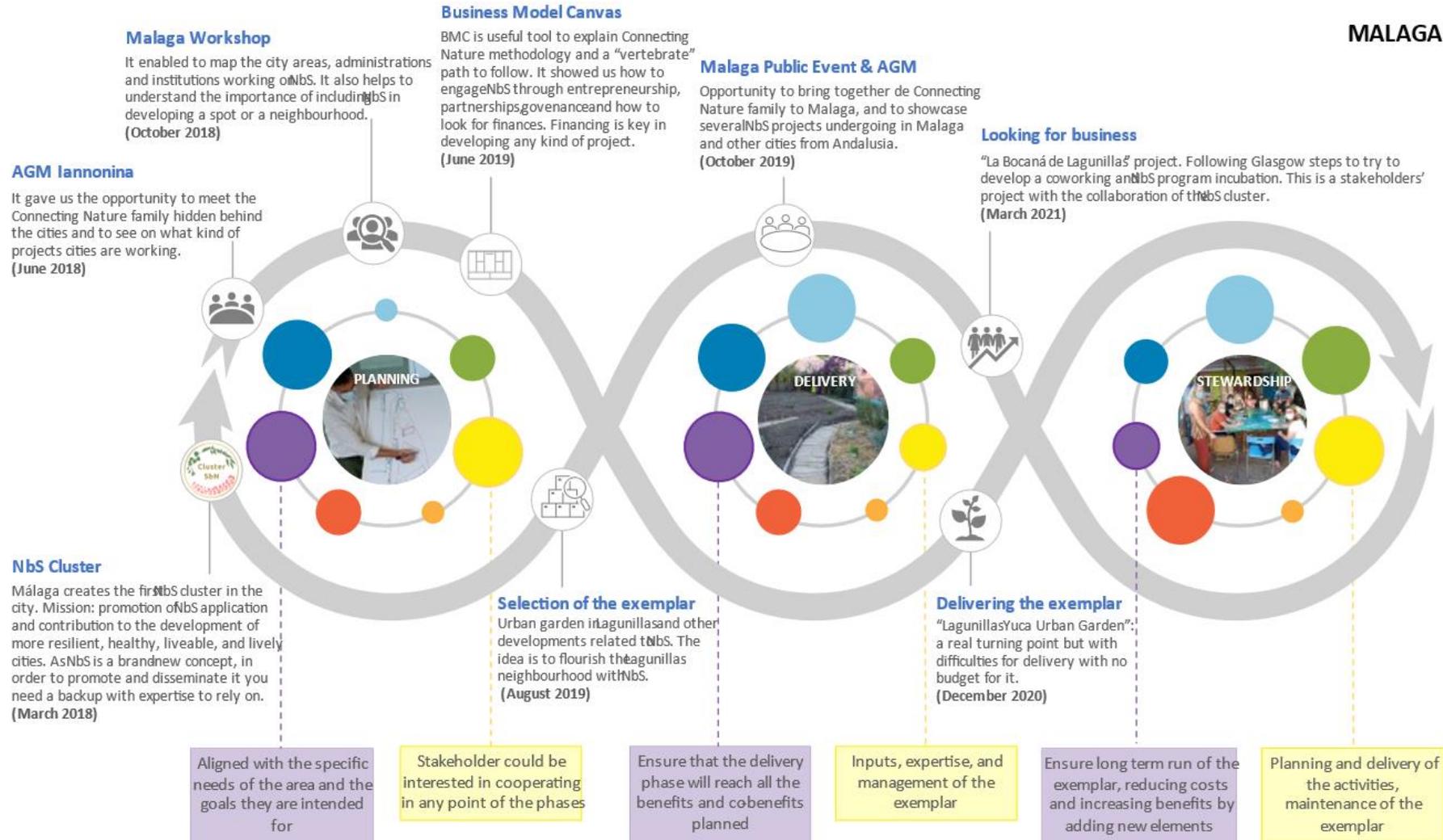


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Business Model Canvas and Local Strategic Sustainable Development

Business Model Canvas

Even though the workshop's main focus was the organisational and funding aspects of the project, it provided a significant opportunity for all the participants and stakeholders to accomplish a comprehensive and deep understanding of the entire project (Oct. 2019)

Developing NBS in Nicosia Workshop (OSMOS)

The workshop brought together the key people involved in NBS in the city in order to facilitate a common understanding about the envisaged project. (Dec. 2019)

Local Strategic Sustainable Development Plan

Finalisation – Submission of Local Strategic Sustainable Development (with the Directorate General for European Programmes, Coord. and Development (secure budget) (Feb. 2021)

Local Strategic Sustainable Development

Adopt a Park Scheme

The "Adopt a park" scheme is being developed to promote long term partnerships between Local Businesses/Enterprises and Local Government in order to maintain and beautify the neighbourhood parks (March 2021 - ongoing)

Nicosia NBS Management

This body will be responsible for planning, implementing and coordinating the involved actors/stakeholders, as well as monitoring and reporting of the NBS and other development projects in the District of Nicosia (March 2021 – ongoing)

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Meet us at the forest (event)

The Forest Department (Ministry of Agriculture) presented Athalassa Forest Park which is one of the most significant nature-based solution examples in Cyprus and participants had the chance to brainstorm and share thoughts on the proposed Exemplar (January 2019)

Sarajevo Process

Art and nature helped the team to unlock a new perspective, utilize personal experiences and memories, approach the project and express in a very fruitful way, thus contributing to the overall team's tasks. After the three days session, Nicosia's team saw Nicosia's Exemplar in a very different perspective (Sept. 2020)

Public Consultation

We had the opportunity to communicate the Local Strategic Sustainable Development Plan and the proposed Green Network to citizens, NGOs, Municipal Officers and Private Sector (Sept. – Dec. 2020)

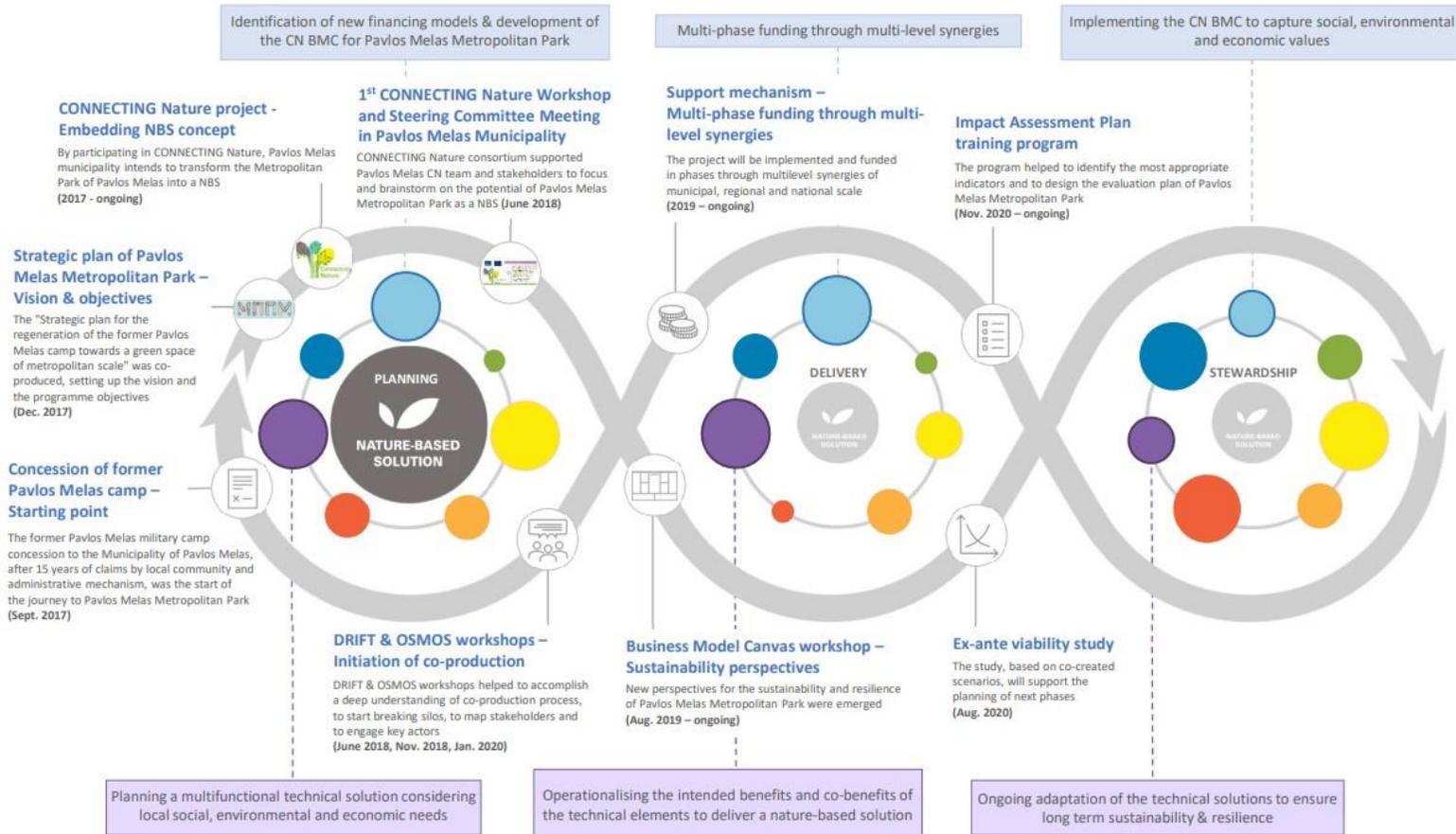
Impact Assessment Plan

Stakeholders' meetings for the Impact Assessment Plan (Local Universities, NGOs, Cyprus Scientific and Technical Chamber, Ministry of Interior, Municipal Technical Departments) (May 2021)

1) Business Model Canvas; 2) Developing Nature-Based Solutions in Nicosia Workshop (OSMOS); 3) Sarajevo Process

Sarajevo Process

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