

# The Nature Navigator.

**Restore** ecosystems. **Reduce** disaster risk. **Raise** resilience.



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“Look after the land and it will look after you. Destroy the land, and it will destroy you.” The Aboriginal proverb is both timeless and timely.

Climate change, ecosystem degradation, biodiversity loss, and pollution are key planetary crises that are increasing disaster risk and vulnerability.

Nature-based solutions (NbS) can be used to help reverse this trend. They can be used to restore ecosystems, reduce disaster risk, and raise resilience.

The Nature Navigator is a new handbook for disaster risk management practitioners.

It provides the foundations on working with nature and offers starter and advanced options for disaster management practitioners.

No matter what ecosystem or landscape you work in or what climate-related hazard you seek to address, the Nature Navigator offers pathways to the most effective solutions based on nature. Furthermore, the Nature Navigator highlights how humanitarians can work with nature in disaster response and recovery.

The Nature Navigator aligns with the Road Map to Community Resilience ([IFRC 2021](#)) and other resources, and includes a rich toolkit for assessments, planning, implementation and monitoring.

Solution factsheets give an overview of key solutions. Case studies bring them to life and inspire action. Two toolkits — one for implementation of NbS and the other for the facilitation of training courses — allow you to follow through and take action.

The Nature Navigator will be launched on June 29th, 2022. To be among the first to receive it — and to join the official launch event — register on this page.

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## Introduction

**Find out** how to get most out of the Nature Navigator

## Chapter 2 Starter options

**Explore** basic options of working with nature that are easy to implement (then, think bigger!)



## Chapter 3 Towards resilience with nature

**Delve deeper** into natural resource management (NRM) and nature-based solutions (NbS).

**Understand** entry points at the national level for NbS: learn about national stakeholders, policies, the use of available data, and funding opportunities.



## Chapter 4 The process: reducing risk through nature

**Navigate** the process of assessing disaster risk and the role ecosystems can play for risk reduction and resilience.

Aligned with the Road Map to Community Resilience, this chapter proceeds through the Road Map's stages and helps you identify the most suitable nature-based solutions for your context.



## Chapter 5 Nature in disaster response and recovery

**Expand** your toolkit and mindset by learning how to green humanitarian operations (and why this is important).

## Chapter 1 Foundations

**Learn** the essentials on how nature protects communities, why we need to protect nature to reduce risk, and the foundations of working with nature.



## Appendix

**Explore** solution factsheets and key resources for specific contexts.

**Use** the application toolbox when working with nature, and the facilitation toolbox to train others.

