



Workshop Climate Adaptation and the Protection/Restoration of Marine and Coastal Ecosystems

7th of February 2024- 1.00-3.00 pm Brussel's time.

List of Speakers



Anaëlle Boudry works at the European Sea Ports Organisation (ESPO) in the role of Senior Policy Advisor and advises on matters related to sustainable development, energy and blue growth. ESPO is the principal interface between European seaports and the European institutions and its policymakers. Dedicated to the waterborne transport sector, she also worked for two years as policy advisor in the European Federation of Inland Ports (EFIP), focusing her attention on EU energy and climate policy. Anaëlle holds a master's degree in political sciences, International Relations and Diplomacy from the University of Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, graduating with the highest honour.



Mélissa Bonneton Dalle is the general coordinator of the LIFE Adapt Island Project. Mélissa Bonneton Dalle has been working in Guadeloupe Port Authority's planning and sustainable development department since September 2021. She is responsible of the overall coordination of the LIFE ADAPT'ISLAND project, financial reporting, team supervision, and relations with all counterparts.

She is also in charge of overlooking and analyzing the socio-economic and ecosystemic impacts of the project; as well as creating partnerships to insure its replicability. She previously worked as Operational Analyst at the World Bank's Sustainable Development Division for Latin America and the Caribbean as well as for the United Nations Environment Programme's Division of Technology Industry and Economics. Ms Bonneton has nearly 20 years of experience working as operational manager in Africa, Europe, Asia Pacific, Caribbean and Latin America. She holds a Master's degree in Sustainable Development from Panthéon-Sorbonne University, France, and a B.A in International Development from McGill University, Canada.



Pauline Couvin Asdrubal is President of URAPEG, a partner in the LIFE Adapt Island project, mother of two and grandmother of four. She trained as a computer scientist. Pauline COUVIN ASDRUBAL has turned her childhood memories into a commitment to nature. After a career in metropolitan France as a computer scientist, she moved to Guadeloupe with her husband in the late 1970s. She worked on the development of computer systems in hospitals. At the same time, she became interested in nature conservation and discovered the Guadeloupe

orchid enthusiasts' association: a member of URAPEG, the Union Régionale des Associations du Patrimoine de l'Environnement de la Guadeloupe created in 1983. One thing led to another and she became involved in this Guadeloupean federation. It was on her initiative that the Water office- *office de l'eau* was created in Guadeloupe. She was also behind the creation of the first energy information point in Guadeloupe. Since then, Pauline Couvin Asdrubal has devoted most of her time to protecting Guadeloupe's nature and landscapes, through URAPEG - France Nature Environnement Guadeloupe, which she has chaired since 2010 and within which she devotes herself daily to the environment.



Dr. Reia Guppy is an Associate Professor at The University of Trinidad and Tobago (UTT), with overall interest in marine and coastal environmental health, population connectivity, and genetic resilience. Since 1996, Dr. Guppy has contributed to and participated in coastal and marine biological and ecological surveys around the world. Over the years, whilst her primary research was focussed on coral reef health and disease, she has more recently been targeting research revolving around (1) the effects of climate change on ecosystem resilience, (2) genetic resilience of key organisms (mangroves, corals, conch, caiman, manatees, scarlet ibis), (3) bioindicators of pollution, (3) population and community biogeography and niche capacity, and (4) environmental forensics.



Dr. Simone Simeone is currently working as Researcher at IAMC - CNR - Institute of Coastal Marine Environment, National Council of Research Italy. He has completed his Ph.D. in Marine Science from University of Tuscia, Italy in 2008. He is member of Coastal Education & Research Foundation. He has published 21 research articles in journals, and 3 book chapters contributed as author/co-author. His area of research interest related to Beach Morphodynamics, Embayed Beaches, Interaction between Seagrass and Beach Morphodynamics.



Dr. Pascaline Gaborit is the Director of [Pilot4dev](http://www.pilot4dev.com). PILOT4DEV is a think tank working on climate adaptation, resilience, and dialogue. The objectives of the organization are to support dialogue, to design international projects for research and action, and to promote capacity building. Pascaline Gaborit holds a PhD in political science.

She published books and articles on resilience, climate adaptation, international cooperation, culture, and gender equality. She served as Director for the pilot cities international network for more than 12 years and worked as an adviser for other think tanks.

She organizes, and moderates events, publishes reports and analysis, manages projects, and gives lectures at university. She is currently teaching and supervising students in the professional **Master 'Resilient Cities'**

at the Free University of Brussels. She is part of the scientific or assessment committees in several programs and in European projects. She is also a dive instructor highlighting the importance of marine ecosystems in her free time.

Pascaline currently works as expert for the project "[CRIC: Climate Resilient and Inclusive Cities](#)" taking place in Southeast Asia and in India. The project focuses on Early Warnings, Climate adaptation, and Disasters' resilience strategies. She is involved in other projects in different countries and regions: in Europe, in Africa www.pilot4dialogue.com,in and in Guadeloupe/Caribbeans www.cayoli.fr/lifeadapt, as well as in central Asia with the project BRUD Building Resilient Urban Design. She is also part of the **Universalialia** evaluation team for the mid term evaluation of the **SURGE Sustainable Urban and Resilience Program** of the World Bank and of the Universalialia Assurance quality team for the CARE project of the Asia Disaster Prevention Centre .

Her main books include: '[Climate Adaptation and Resilience: Challenges and Potential Solutions - Peter Lang Verlag](#). *Anticipatory governance, Planning and Dialogue*' 2022, Peter Lang '*Learning from Resilience Strategies in Tanzania, an outlook of international development challenges*' (2021) available in open Access: [Learning from Resilience Strategies in Tanzania - Peter Lang Verlag](#), '*The strength of Culture for Development*' (2015); and '*European and Asian Sustainable Towns*' (2016). She had published earlier a collective book on '*Gender Stereotypes*' (2008) and another on '*Trust in post conflict societies*' (2009) by publisher L'Harmattan.

Other publications include:

- [Resilience and Climate Disaster Management in Cities: Transformative Change and Conflicts](#), Journal of Peacebuilding & Development, special issue, Nov. 2022, DOI 0 10.1177/15423166221128793
- Climate Adaptation to Multi-Hazard Climate-Related Risks in Ten Indonesian Cities: Ambitions and Challenges, 2022, in *Climate Disaster Risk*, 2022 Vol 37, 100453 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.crm.2022.100453>

And the contribution to the following international reports:

- Hidden Cities Report, World Health Organization-UN Habitat, 2010
- Second Urban Climate Change Research Network (UCCRN) 2018, Assessment Report on Climate Change and Cities (ARC3-2). Contribution to chapter 2: Civic Engagement.