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Natalia Burgos Cuevas is a Fellow and International Development Coordinator at Ecologic Institute, where she leads initiatives on environmental policy analysis focused on Nature-based Solutions (NbS), biodiversity, climate change adaptation, and Nature-positive interventions with a special focus at the city level. Fluent in Spanish, English, and French, and with basic German, Natalia brings a multilingual, intercultural approach to her work in international development.

Natalia's work emphasizes the advancement of governance and policy frameworks for sustainable urban development and ecosystem restoration, contributing to European-funded research projects aimed at urban ecosystem resilience, co-creation processes, and integrating nature-based strategies into urban planning. Natalia is dedicated to fostering impactful collaborations beyond Europe, particularly in Latin America and the Caribbean, and driving institutional strategies that emphasize diversity, equity, and inclusion in research.



Before joining Ecologic Institute, Natalia worked as a Regional Development Advisor at Colombia's National Planning Department ([Departamento Nacional de Planeación](#)), where she designed and implemented the Colombian Regional Integration Strategy as part of the National Development Plan (2018-2022). She also expanded Colombia's portfolio of projects on sustainable land use and climate change. Previously, as a Sustainable Urban Development Advisor, she supported policy implementation around urban planning, with a focus on adapting cities to climate-related challenges.

Natalia holds a Master's degree in Disasters, Adaptation, and Development from King's College London (United Kingdom). Her research explored governance and community participation in risk reduction, focusing on vulnerable communities in Bogota (Colombia).

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Projects Publications Events Presentations

Selected projects by Natalia Burgos Cuevas

[Supporting an EU-LAC Policy Dialogue on Nature-Based Solutions](#)

Duration

Jun - Sep 2024

Funding

European Commission, [Directorate-General Research & Innovation](#) (DG Research & Innovation), International

[GoNaturePositive!](#)

Duration

Jan 2024 - Dec 2027

Funding

European Commission, [Directorate-General Research & Innovation](#) (DG Research & Innovation), International

[Mainstreaming Climate and Environmental Objectives in EU Funding Programmes in the Post-2027 Period](#)

Duration

Nov 2023 - Dec 2024

Funding

European Commission, [Directorate-General for Climate Action](#) (DG Climate), International

[Resilience in Europe through Activating City Hubs Reaching out to Users with Triple-A Climate Adaptation Tools \(REACHOUT\)](#)

Duration

Oct 2021 - Mar 2025

Funding

European Commission, [Directorate-General Research & Innovation](#) (DG Research & Innovation), International

Capacity Development for Long-term Climate Neutrality Strategies in Towns and Cities (Ready4NetZero)

Duration

Nov 2022 - Apr 2025

Funding

[Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action](#) (BMWK), Germany

Selected publications by Natalia Burgos Cuevas

Burgos, N., Rizzi, D., & Davis, M. (2024). Bridging Continents. Exploring the state-of-play of Nature-based Solutions in the EU and LAC: Building a foundation for collaboration. European Commission, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, Publications Office of the European Union.

Davis, M.; Cuevas, N.B; Gvein, M.H. (2024). Transforming ambition into action to catalyse nature-based solutions: Insights from 250 good practice policy instruments, Nature-Based Solutions, 6, 100171. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nbsj.2024.100171>

Burgos Cuevas, N. et al. 2024: Developing ambitious local long-term climate neutrality strategies. Charting the course: Crafting forward-thinking local climate neutrality strategies. Association of Municipalities Polish Network "Energie Cités" and Ecologic Institute, Berlin-Kraków.

Serraglio, Diogo Andreola; Benjamin Schraven; Natalia Burgos Cuevas 2022: Addressing human mobility in national climate policy: insights from updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) in South America. Briefing Paper 4/2022. Bonn: German Development Institute.

INTERLACE project consortium 2023: Urban Governance Atlas. Interactive database. Published on 11 May 2023. Online: <https://interlace-hub.com/urban-governance-atlas>.

Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS) (2021): Sustainable Solutions for the Global South in a Post-Pandemic World. Potsdam, Germany: IASS Study.

Burgos Cuevas, Natalia 2012: De la ciudad a la región: Análisis del proceso de integración regional Bogotá-Cundinamarca. London: Editorial Academica Espanola.

Selected events by Natalia Burgos Cuevas

Discussion:[International Networks and Collaboration on Climate Research](#)

Date

7 March 2023

Location

Berlin, Germany

Visitors Program:[International Exchange on Nature-Based Solutions](#)

Date

31 July 2024

Location

Berlin, Germany

Selected presentations by Natalia Burgos Cuevas

Panel discussion:[The Importance of Participatory Processes in Deploying Nature-based Solutions](#)

Date

8 June 2023

Location

Brussels, Belgium

Speech:[Policy Frameworks to Foster the Implementation of Nature-based Solutions](#)

Date

30 March 2023

Location

Bogotá, Colombia

Speech: [Nature-based Solutions in Latin America](#)

Date

16 August 2022

Location

Portoviejo, Ecuador

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