

# Framing climate citizenship for CliMent COST Action

Hybrid Seminar and Capacity-building

30 September 2025, 11:00-13:30

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## Exploring Climate Citizenship: Linking Climate Change, Mental Health, and Social Action

The COST Action project *CliMent* investigates the critical connections between climate change and mental health, with a focus on sustainable coping strategies at both social and political levels. Within this initiative, **Working Group 4** is dedicated to shaping long-term strategies and policies that promote pro-environmental behaviour and participatory approaches.

At a time of escalating climate emergencies, developing an actionable framework for **climate citizenship** has become urgent. This concept seeks to strengthen the relationship between individuals, governance, and the environment—empowering people to play an active role in addressing climate challenges.

As part of a Short-Term Scientific Mission (STSM), Dr. Filippo Bignami (SUPSI-LUCI) is leading a seminar that will open dialogue on climate citizenship, exploring its societal and political implications and potentials, including urban and digital dimensions. The aim is to spark debate and chart pathways for more resilient and inclusive climate action.

The seminar is hybrid and takes place during the WG4 meeting. The online link will be sent to the invited participants.

### Hybrid seminar agenda (11:00-12:30):

#### 11:00-11:05. Welcome

Nidhi Nagabhatla (UNU) and Sanae Okamoto (UNU)

#### 11:05-11:45.

- Framing climate citizenship drivers: initial inputs
- Actors, constituencies and actions for climate citizenship

Filippo Bignami (SUPSI-LUCI)

#### 11:45-12:30. Open Discussion

Discussants: Filippo Bignami (SUPSI-LUCI); Nidhi Nagabhatla (UNU); Sanae Okamoto (UNU)

After the hybrid seminar, Filippo Bignami coordinates the capacity-building session during the face-to-face WG4 working group meeting.

### Off-line WG4 Activity 12:30 – 13:30

#### Capacity-Building Session on Advancing Climate Citizenship

This session will bring members together for a focused, interactive discussion aimed at strengthening climate citizenship actions within the CliMent project. Through collective dialogue and planning, participants will work to identify common and emerging themes, laying the groundwork for joint policy-oriented outputs. The session's goal is to shape concrete actions and co-develop publications that advance the climate citizenship framework as a tool for societal transformation.