



SCIENCE AND  
CONSERVATION EVENTS

# Putting nature at the heart of global decision making

## DATE

Tuesday 10 October 2023

## TIME

6pm – 7:30pm

## LOCATION

Online, Zoom Webinar

No charge

Registration required



## AGENDA

**Professor Nathalie Pettorelli**

Professor

**Institute of Zoology, ZSL**

**Robin McKie**

Science Editor

**The Observer**

**Billy Heaney**

Zoologist and Wildlife Presenter

Chaired by **Bethan Laughlin**

Senior Policy Specialist

**ZSL**

# BIOGRAPHIES

## Professor Nathalie Pettorelli Institute of Zoology, ZSL

**Nathalie** is a professor at the Institute of Zoology, the research arm of ZSL. Her expertise includes climate change ecology, satellite remote sensing/conservation technology, biodiversity monitoring, population and ecosystem dynamics and rewilding. An applied ecologist, Nathalie is the Editor in Chief of Remote Sensing in Ecology and Conservation, a scientific journal she founded with ZSL and Wiley in 2014 that focuses on the use of technology to advance ecological science and support wildlife management. She is the co-chair of the IUCN inter-commissional Rewilding Working Group, and authored a number of books and scientific contributions on biodiversity monitoring, satellite remote sensing and environmental management, and the science/policy interface.

## Robin McKie The Observer

**Robin** is a writer known for his journalism in The Observer, a publication for which he serves as science and environment editor. As a result of his work, he has won awards from organizations such as the Medical Journalists' Association, reviving a citation in early 2014 for a feature on zebra fish research. He was named as "Science and Technology Journalist of the Year" during the UK Press Gazette Awards for 2013. In addition, he has written numerous books with a view to expanding popular interest in and understanding of biological science.



## Billy Heaney Zoologist and Wildlife Presenter

**Billy** is a zoologist, wildlife tour guide and broadcaster. He collaborates with a number of UK wildlife organisations including Whale and Dolphin Conservation, Badger Trust and The Mammal Society, and he's a regular panelist on BBC Radio 4's Nature Table with Sue Perkins. He has also presented on BBC Countryfile, featured on BBC Points West and BBC Breakfast, as well as BBC SpringWatch and BBC Earth's digital channels. More recently, he has appeared on ITV This Morning and BBC World Service discussing orca and human interactions in the Iberian Gulf.

## Bethan Laughlin ZSL

**Bethan** is the Senior Policy Specialist at ZSL. Bethan's work focuses on the guidance, development, and implementation of science-backed policy solutions for conservation, biodiversity, and the climate crisis in protecting, restoring, and renewing our natural world. She works with experts from across ZSL in developing and communicating our policy advice and recommendations for both UK-focused and international policy across our country program locations and within United Nations policy spaces.

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19 December 2023, 6-7:30pm

In person; Huxley Lecture Theatre, ZSL

Hear from scientists and conservationists as they explore the relationship between conflict and conservation, drawing on three case studies to illustrate linkages.

Speakers will demonstrate the challenges of safeguarding nature during conflict and the importance of nature restoration to peacebuilding.

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