

## Annex B: Special Events

**4 Nov  
2021**      **World Majlis - Natural Cities: Preserving a slice of nature in our urban spaces**  
4pm - 6pm GST

The World Majlis aims to bring together diverse thought leaders, visionaries and change-makers to have conversations about today's challenges for a better tomorrow.

This World Majlis session will explore the overarching question of how we can make cities more nature-friendly. Humanity has become an urban species. Over half of us already live in cities; that figure is forecast to rise to two-thirds between now and 2045. Urban centres have become the ultimate example of human impact on the planet: Anthropocities.

Rampant urbanisation is taking its toll on ecosystems, biodiversity and human health. Estimates suggest that cities are responsible for 75 percent of global CO2 emissions, with transport and buildings being among the largest contributors. At the same time, cities are facing new threats from climate change, ranging from heat islands to flooding.

We cannot tackle climate change without transforming the way we build and manage our urban spaces. Cities and nature need to become more complementary, and less mutually exclusive. Increasingly, urban planning is approaching the city as a living ecosystem, in which the natural and the urban coexist.

**22 Jan  
2022**      **Singapore Day at Expo 2020 Dubai**  
10am – 10pm GST

Each country participating in Expo 2020 Dubai will have a dedicated day for celebrating their National Day. With the support of the Singapore Tourism Board and the Singapore Embassy in Abu Dhabi and Consulate-General in Dubai, the Al Wasl Plaza and the Singapore Pavilion will be abuzz with a myriad of performances, talks, and interactive experiences for Singapore Day. More details will be released closer to date.

**22 Mar  
2022**      **World Water Day**  
6pm – 10pm GST

The Singapore Pavilion be immersed in shades of blue with a commemorative light up that reiterates its commitment to water conservation on World Water Day. More details will be released closer to date.

*Information accurate as of 28 September 2021. For a full and updated list of the Singapore Pavilion's programme offerings, please refer to [www.singapore2020expo.gov.sg](http://www.singapore2020expo.gov.sg).*