

An aerial photograph of a landscape. In the foreground, there are rolling green hills with patches of brown, tilled soil. A dense forest of green trees covers the middle ground. In the background, a large industrial facility with several tall smokestacks and buildings is visible under a blue sky with wispy clouds.

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EUROPEAN BUSINESS & BIODIVERSITY FORUM

Thursday, September 19th 2024

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SEPTEMBER 19th

MORNING CONFERENCES

9:00 – 9:15 – Opening words

By **Alexandra PALT**, *President of WWF France*

9:15 – 10:10 – EU and International Nature Policy - a look forward on what to expect and how businesses can take leadership

One month before the COP 16, and two months after the EU elections, strong leadership is expected from the corporate world to keep ambition high on nature.

Session moderated by EU Business & Biodiversity Platform, with :

Becky CHAPLIN KRAMER, *Global Biodiversity Lead Scientist at WWF*

Humberto DELGADO ROSA, *Director of the European Commission's Directorate General for Environment*

Ester ASIN, *Director of WWF European Policy Office*

A representative of the private sector

10:10 - 10:45 – How is the CSRD setting the tone for corporate action on nature?

An analysis of the CSRD requirements for target setting, and a presentation of WWF Nature Targets Publication.

With :

Bernhard FREY, *Senior Technical Manager Sustainability Reporting at the EFRAG*

Sebastien GODINOT, *Economist at WWF European Policy Office*

And an early mover from the private sector on implementing the CSRD

10:45 – 11:15 : BREAK

11:15 – 12:00 – Corporates setting targets for Nature with the right level of ambition through SBTN

Lessons learned from the first companies who have piloted the SBTN target setting approach.

With Varsha VIJAY, *Technical Director at Science Based Targets Network*

And :

Laetitia MIGNÉ, *Head of Sustainability Global Plant-based, Alpro*

Elodie PARRE, *Group Sustainability Director, Bel*

Renata POLLINI, *Head of Sustainable Construction and Nature, Holcim Group*

Jaco DU TOIT, *Biodiversity and Policy coordinator for the partnership with H&M Group at WWF*

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12:15 – 13:00

BREAK-OUT SESSION 1 (onsite only):

Deep dives into companies' experience in piloting SBTN step 3 (target setting).

Choose your session :

For SBTN : Varsha VIJAY, Technical Director at SBTN

For Alpro : Juliane GREFF, Alpro plant-based Sustainability Manager

Experience with H&M Group : Jaco DU TOIT, Biodiversity and Policy coordinator for the partnership with H&M Group at WWF

For Kering : Sabrina GONÇALVES KREBSBACH, Sustainable sourcing and Biodiversity Specialist

For Holcim : Lara HILDEBRAND, Nature Manager

13:00 – 14:30

LUNCH AND NETWORKING

AFTERNOON CONFERENCES

14:30 - 15:15 – Putting targets into action plans

How to build robust nature transition plans? Presentation by WWF of the “Nature Transition plan” publication, and sharing from pilot companies.

With :

Antoine PUGLIESE, Head of Green Finance at WWF France

Marie-Morgan GREBENT, Biodiversity Lead, Decathlon

Nicholas HAMILTON, Global Sustainability Impacts Director, Sodexo

15:15 - 16:00 – Financing the transition

How to finance transition plans to shift business models towards models respectful of planetary boundaries?

With :

Aaron VERMEULEN, WWF Global Finance Practice Lead

Romie GOEDICKE DEN HERTOOG, Co-Head Nature, UNEP-FI

Lucian PEPPELENBOS, Climate and Biodiversity Strategist, Executive Director, Robeco

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16:15 - 17:00

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS 2 (onsite only) : Building collective answers for nature

Choose your session between :

Beyond philanthropy : towards positive and transformative contributions for nature

With Speakers from 4 different companies who are contributing to nature conservation through different approaches

Building collective answers : the role of sectoral initiatives in contributing to a nature positive future

With :

Beth JENSEN, Senior Director, Climate and Nature Impact, Textile Exchange

Kathleen HEINZEL, Biodiversity and water specialist for Lidl International

Oliver PETERS, Project Manager, Food for Biodiversity

Vassilis GKOUMAS, Economist, WWF

Building collective answers : the role of the private sector in landscape initiatives

With

Pramit CHANDA, Global Director Textiles & Manufacturing, IDH

André BÖCKLER, Senior Project Manager at Edeka

Building collective answers : the new BIODIVERSITY ACTION ALLIANCE by The Shift and WWF Belgium

With The Shift, WWF Belgium, Business for Nature and representatives from 3 member companies

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17:15 - 18:00

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS 2 BIS

(onsite only) : Building collective answers for nature (bis)

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18:00

CLOSING REMARKS AND COCKTAIL