

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

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EUROPEAN BUSINESS & BIODIVERSITY FORUM

Thurs. Fri. September 19th - 20th 2024

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SEPTEMBER 19th

MORNING CONFERENCES

9:15 – 9:30 – **Opening words**

9:30 – 10:15 – **The new Deal for Nature on the international Scene**

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

With speakers from :

Business for Nature, EU Business & Biodiversity Platform, WWF European policy office, members of the EU parliament

10:15 - 10:45 – **How are ESRS setting the tone for corporate action on nature?**

An analysis of ESRS requirements for target setting, and WWF propositions to address them at best : focus on WWF Nature Targets Publication.

With speakers from :

the EFRAG, WWF European policy office, and early movers on CSRD from the private sector

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 SBTN target setting approach.

With speakers from the first companies to have validated SBTN targets

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12:15 – 13:00
BREAK-OUT SESSION 1

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

Choose your session, and listen to return on experience from the first companies who have piloted SBTN and have validated SBTN targets.

Examples from 5 different pilot companies

13:00 - 14:30
LUNCH AND NETWORKING

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 speakers from WWF, and 2 companies piloting Nature Transition Plans

15:15 - 16:00 – Financing the transition

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

With speakers from investment banks, public and private sector

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16:15 - 17:00

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS 2

Beyond value chain business action on nature.

Choose your session between :

Option 1 : Beyond reduction, towards positive contribution

Option 2 : Building collective answers: sectorial initiatives

Option 3 : Building collective answers: landscape initiatives

Option 4 : Building collective answers: the new BIODIVERSITY ACTION ALLIANCE by The Shift and WWF Belgium

17:15 - 18:00

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS 2 BIS

Business action on nature, beyond value chain (bis)

You could not choose between all the break-out sessions? Here is a second chance...

Choose your session between :

Option 1 : Beyond reduction, towards positive contribution

Option 2 : Building collective answers: sectorial initiatives

Option 3 : Building collective answers: landscape initiatives

Option 4 : Building collective answers: launch of a biodiversity action alliance by The Shift and WWF Belgium

18:00

CLOSIN REMARKS AND COCKTAIL

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FOR WWF CORPORATE PARTNERS ONLY

9:00 – 9:30
WELCOME COFFEE

9:30 – 10:30 – Joint advocacy

Together with business, WWF is working to secure a more sustainable future for people and the planet. This includes engaging in joint advocacy calling for and shaping government and sectoral policies and incentives that support sustainability.

Let's explore opportunities to engage in joint advocacy designed to secure European policies that deliver a sustainable economy.

10:30 – 12:00 – Networking and guided discussions on synergies between WWF EU corporate partners

WWF is building strong collaboration with different pioneer European corporate members.

This session will be the opportunity for participants to:

- Meet other WWF corporate partners
- Share best practices on building robust nature action plans
- Reflect on collective initiative opportunities and challenges