

An aerial photograph of a landscape. In the foreground, there are rolling green hills with patches of brown soil, suggesting agricultural activity. A dense forest of green trees covers the middle ground. In the background, an 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

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 for biodiversity, European Commission, Directorate-General for Environment*

Ester ASIN, *Director of WWF European Policy Office*

Anni VUOHELAINEN, *Nature Project Manager, Tetra Pak*

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*

Pierre-Yves BURLOT, *Sustainable Development Director, SECHE Group*

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*

Agathe GROSSMITH, *CSR Director, Carrefour*

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 Carrefour : Jenna MALLET and Manon CAUDRELIER, CSR Project Managers

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

Eva MAYERHOFER, Head of Environment Policy Unit, Lead Biodiversity Specialist, European Investment Bank

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

Peter VAN DER WERF, Head of Active Ownership, Portfoliomanager SDG Engagement, Robeco

Marie-Claire FRANZEN, Lead Nature, Rabobank

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16:15 - 17:00

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

Choose your session between :

Beyond reudction : towards positive and transformative contributions for nature

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Udo FELTEN, Senior Manager Corporate Responsibility, SIG

Sigrig LONGEAU, CSR Manager, Fountaine Pajot

Hector FERNANDEZ, Policy, Advocacy and Compliance, Bolton Group

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

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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 Sustainability at Edeka

Sofia KILIFI, Sustainability & Communication Director, The Coca-Cola Company

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

Presented by The Shift and WWF Belgium, with

Quentin MEEKERS, Business Action Advisor, Business for Nature

Pauline HERPELS, Senior Engineer, Marine Environmental Department, Jan de Nul Group

Alice LEMESLE, Sustainability Manager, Danone Belux

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18:00
CLOSING REMARKS
AND COCKTAIL