

An aerial photograph of a landscape. In the foreground, there are rolling green hills with a mix of dense forest and open fields. A small waterfall is visible on the right side. In the middle ground, a large industrial facility with several tall chimneys and buildings is situated. The background shows a vast expanse of forest under a clear blue sky with some 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 of the European Commission's Directorate General for Environment*

Ester ASIN, *Director of WWF European Policy Office*

Anni VUOHELAINEN, *Nature Project Manager, Tetra Pack*

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*

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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

Udo FELTEN, Senior Manager Corporate Responsibility, SIG

Sigrïd LONGEAU, CSR Manager, Fontaine Pajot

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

Wouter VERMEULEN, Vice President Sustainability & Public Policy Europe, 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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17:15 - 18:00

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

Choose your session between :

Beyond reduction, towards positive contribution

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**18:00
CLOSING REMARKS
AND COCKTAIL**