

Biodiversa Final conference

16-17 November 2021 – Brussels

Meeting venue : Claridge Events, Chaussée de Louvain 24b, Brussels, Belgium

How to join remotely:

Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82492073897?pwd=TkkzbzJuZVlGdjQrQTBHTDNaTHJmdz09>

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DAY 1: 16 November from 2:00 to 6:20 p.m.

From 13:30 | Welcome coffee

14:00 | Introduction session

- Welcome words, by *Xavier Le Roux, Biodiversa Chair & Coordinator, French Foundation for Research on Biodiversity, France*
- Opening speech by *Marco Fritz, Biodiversity Team Leader, DG Research & Innovation, European Commission*

14:30 | Biodiversa's main achievements since 2008, by *Xavier Le Roux, Hilde Eggermont & Henrik Lange, the Biodiversa Coordination Team*

15:00 | A look-back at the development of a shared vision and priorities for biodiversity research programming across Europe

- Panel discussion on the development of the Biodiversa Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda: how did it help structure the biodiversity R&I domain and what was the impact beyond Biodiversa?
Panellists: Stefan Leiner, DG Environment, European Commission; Heather McKhann, FACCE-JPI; Anne-Hélène Prieur-Richard, ANR – France; and Philip Roche, INRAe, French Ministry of Research and PI of the [IMAGINE](#) project
- Q&A session

16:00 – 16:30 | Coffee break

16:30 | The Biodiversa model: promoting excellent research with an impact for policy and society

- Facts and figures highlighting the Biodiversa approach and tools developed to help researchers, by *Claire Blery, Biodiversa CEO*
- Testimonies on the Biodiversa research funded
 - Testimony by *Simon Gardner, Head of Virtual Environment at NERC – UK & former Biodiversa Evaluation Committee Vice-Chair*
 - Testimony by *Silvia Winter (University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna, Austria), from the [SECBIVIT](#) & [VineDivers](#) projects*
 - Testimony by *Klaus Birkhofer (Brandenburg University of Technology, Germany), from the [SoilMan](#) & [FunProd](#) projects*
 - Testimony by *Nathalie Charbonnel (INRAe, France), from the [BioRodDis](#) project*
- Discussion around the testimonies made

17:30 | Acknowledgements by *Xavier Le Roux, Biodiversa Chair & Coordinator*

17:40 | Address by *Philippe Tulkens, Head of Unit, climate and planetary boundaries at DG Research & Innovation, European Commission*

17:50 | The Biodiversa Prize - award ceremony, by *Lise Goudeseune, BelSPO, Belgium*

18:20 | End of the meeting

From 18:45 | Walking diner at Albert Restaurant at the KBR, Museumplein 1

DAY 2: 17 November from 9:00 to 12:15

From 08:30 | Welcome coffee

09:00 | Bridging the gap between science and society: a dialogue between researchers and stakeholders

- Facts and figures highlighting the outcomes of the Biodiversa approach to promote the science-society dialogue, by *Frédéric Lemaître, Biodiversa Science-society-policy officer*
- Short talks by funded researchers and their stakeholders: how to bridge the gap between research and society and lessons learnt from their collaboration
 - Aschwin Engelen (The Algarve Centre of Marine Sciences, Portugal) & Antonio Vieira (owner of a fish farm in the Algarve, Portugal), from the [MARFOR](#) project
 - Christopher Raymond (Helsinki Institute of Sustainability Science, Finland) & Alberto Arroyo Schnell (International Union for the Conservation of Nature - IUCN), from the [ENVISION](#) project
 - Claude Garcia (The French agricultural research and international cooperation organization - CIRAD, France and Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zürich, Switzerland) & Gemma Boetekees (Forest Stewardship Council - FSC), from the [CoForTips](#) project
- Discussion around the short talks

10:15 | How research results can guide policy?

- Highlight on Biodiversa policy briefs, by *Matt Smith, policy brief content coordinating partner*
- Roundtable on how research can influence policy making processes: what are the needs and enabling conditions?
Panellists: Julie Bélanger, FAO & Biodiversa Advisory Board member; Claire Brown, principal technical specialist at UNEP-WCMC – UK; Stefan Piskol, Adelphi, Germany & PI in the [BIOGEA](#) project; and Philip Roche, Chair of EKLIPSE Knowledge Coordination Body / French ministry for Research

11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee break

11:30 | The Biodiversa experience: lessons learnt and way forward

- Roundtable on reflections on the Biodiversa mission, research funded and achievements: lessons learnt and recommendations for the future
Panellists: Biodiversa Advisory Board members, namely: Julie Bélanger, FAO; Josefina Enfedaque, DG Research & Innovation, European Commission; Mari Stenseke, University of Gothenborg; and Marten Winter, sDiv
- Q & A session

12:10 | Conclusion by *Xavier Le Roux, Biodiversa Chair & Coordinator*

12:15 | End of the meeting

Light lunch at the Claridge Events