

Program

15:00 – 15:05	Start Event
15.05 – 15:15	<p>Project introduction – what is the situation today for Private Land Conservation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quiz with the audience based on the Layman's Report <p>Animated by Tom Andries Project Coordinator Agentschap voor Natuur en Bos Philip Tabas, Senior Special Advisor TNC Jurgen Tack, Scientific Director, ELO</p>
15.15 – 15.25	Case studies video focusing on scalable solutions
15.25 – 15.50	<p>Policy recommendation presentation on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institutions Tom Andries • Tools Philip Tabas • Compensation mechanism Jurgen Tack
15.50 – 16.00	<p>Feedback with panellists on policy recommendation: Institutions</p> <p>3' - Joseph Van der Stegen, European Commission, DG Environment 3' – Thierry de l'Escaille - ELO Secretary General - on private land conservation and landowners 3' – ANB – on nature legislation in flanders</p>
16.00 – 16.35	<p>Feedback with panellists on policy recommendation: Tools</p> <p>4' Judicaelle Hammond, Director of Policy and Advice at the CLA, on land trust 4' Dr. Tilmann Disselhoff, President of Eurosite, on easement 4' Cécile Mérel, French member, Wildlife Estate & François Sommer Foundation, on programs & labels 4' Dr. Emilio Laguna, Senior officer for plant conservation, on land designation</p> <p>Quiz with the audience based on the tools – participation to the PLC lottery Q&A</p>
16.35 – 16.55	<p>Feedback with panellists on policy recommendation: Compensation (10')</p> <p>3' – Agriculture – Bela Jankovich, Jankovich Birtok Sustainable Estate 3' – Forestry – Bernhard Budil, Land&Forst Betriebe Österreich 3' – Nature – Alan Philips, Landgoed Scherpenbergen - De Hutten (TBC) Q&A</p>
16.55 – 17.00	<p>Conclusions Private Land Conservation lottery winner</p>



Speakers

Philip Tabas, Senior Special Advisor at The Nature Conservancy



Philip Tabas is a tax lawyer and a land use planner by professional training. He has worked to secure tax incentive policy and legislation changes for conservation at the US Federal and state levels of government as well as in other countries. He served as the Conservancy's General Counsel from 2003 to 2013. Philip Tabas is Special Advisor with the North American Conservation Region of The Nature Conservancy based in Arlington VA. He has also held a range of legal and non-legal positions in TNC in the areas of land protection, government relations, compatible economic development and conservation planning. Philip has been with the Conservancy for forty years. He has been involved in numerous private land conservation and compatible economic development projects, particularly involving the use of conservation easements in the United States and in other countries.

Tom Andries, Project Coordinator, Agentschap voor Natuur en Bos

Jurgen Tack, Scientific Director, ELO



Jurgen Tack obtained a PhD in Biology at the VUB. After a scientific and consultancy career in development cooperation, where he developed a number of oyster farms along the Kenyan coast, he became the General Administrator of the Institute for Nature and Forest Research in 2007. From 2016 on he's the General Administrator of Landelijk Vlaanderen, the Flemish Landowners' Organization active in the field of nature, forestry and agriculture.

Joseph van der Stegen, Policy Officer, DG Environment



Joseph van der Stegen works in the Nature Protection Unit of the Directorate-General for the Environment of the European Commission. He is in charge of files related to the implementation of the Birds and Habitats Directives and the EU Biodiversity Strategy. Before working for the Commission, he led the service coordinating environmental and agricultural policies for the Walloon Region of Belgium. Previously, he had the responsibility of two forests districts in southern Belgium and worked in a public body supporting private landowners in forest management in Northern France. He is a forest engineer by background.



Thierry de l'Escaille, Secretary General of ELO



Thierry de l'Escaille, Secretary General of ELO since 1996, deputy CEO of the RISE Foundation and an administrator in numerous organisations of national and EU wide importance with a strong relation with private property, the profitability of land, environment and finance. Trained as a lawyer, he also runs an agricultural family farming enterprise with properties in Belgium, France, and the Netherlands.

Judicaelle Hammond, Director of Policy and Advice, The CLA



Judicaelle Hammond joined the Country Land and Business Association (CLA) as their Director of Policy and Advice in July 2019. Her team delivers expert support and guidance to CLA members, develops CLA policy positions and innovative ideas, and works closely with rural and government stakeholders to inform new proposals. Judicaelle was previously a senior civil servant and has over 20 years' experience of policy design and implementation at BEIS, Defra, HM Treasury, as well as the Food Standards Agency. She holds an MBA (Distinction) from Imperial College, London.

Tilmann Disselhoff, President of Eurosité



Tilmann Disselhoff is a nature conservationist by heart and by profession. He holds a PhD in Civil Engineering from the Technical University of Berlin. Focusing on conservation financing and private land conservation, Tilmann has worked for numerous national and international organisations, such as the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization, the European Commission, the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, and the German Federal Environmental Foundation. In 2017, Tilmann joined NABU (Nature And Biodiversity Conservation Union - the German chapter of Birdlife International) as the coordinator of a LIFE project to set up the European Land Conservation Network (ELCN).

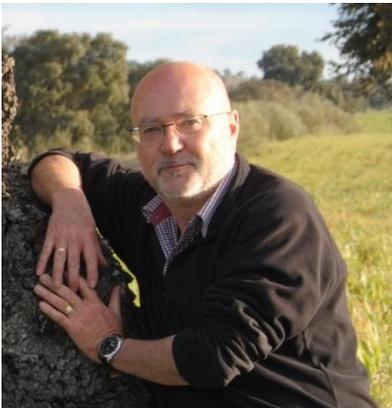


Cécile Mérel, French member, Wildlife Estate & François Sommer Foundation



Cécile Mérel has a master's degree in ecology. After her graduation she did a civic service at the François Sommer foundation to study the relation between genetic and morphology in Tanzanian lion. Now, she is project officer at the François Sommer foundation, and she is involved in projects on wildlife management and research to improve knowledge on species and their habitats in France and in Africa. She evaluates project proposals for the call for projects. Since 2018, she coordinates the Wildlife Estates label in France with the support of the National Federation of hunters and French Office of Biodiversity.

Dr Emilio Laguna, Senior officer for plant conservation, Generalitat Valenciana



Dr Emilio Laguna has a PhD in Biological Sciences, Botanist. He is Head of Section for Protection of Natural Resources, Wildlife Service of Generalitat Valenciana (Autonomous Government of Valencian Community, Spain). He is the author of more than 800 scientific-technical and popularization papers, mainly on plant conservation. He is also a pioneer and leader of Plant Micro-reserve initiative. Which consist of 312 protected micro-sites in the Valencian Community, including 70 of private lands models. The set up was possible thanks to initial LIFE financial support, and the concept was exported to several EU countries through LIFE projects. Emilio Laguna is expert of several IUCN specialist group, and was awarded with Silver Leaf Award Planta Europa for excellence in European plants conservation.

Béla Jankovich, Co-owner and manager of Jankovich Birtok Sustainable Estate in Hungary



Béla Jankovich de Jeszenice is active on the crossroads of agriculture, the environment and technical and social innovation. Béla is leading the operations of the family estate 'Jankovich Birtok'. In addition, Béla is Chair of the Board of non-profit organisation Commonland, driving Commonland's mission to support restoration of 100 million hectares of degraded landscapes by 2040 with its proven holistic approach. Béla is an advisor to Anterra Capital, a global Venture Capital Fund focused on food and agriculture technologies, and an active investor and Board member of AgroVIR Kft, a regional leader in farm management software.

Bernhard Budil, Forester & General Secretary of Land&Forst Betriebe Österreich

Alan Phillips, Landgoed Scherpenbergen - De Hutten (TBC)

