





## **INNOVATING WITH NATURE**

## Natural capital and ecosystem services for sustainable EU policies

Tuesday, 1 March 2016, 09:30 – 13:00 Royal Academies for Sciences and the Arts of Belgium Hertogstraat 1 Rue Ducale, 1000 Brussels, Belgium

AGENDA	PLENARY SESSION at the Royal Academies
09:00	Registration
09:30	<ul> <li>WELCOMING ADDRESS by Mrs Sirpa PIETIKÄINEN MEP</li> <li>HIGH-LEVEL STATEMENTS by:         <ul> <li>Mrs Saskia L. RAS, the Netherlands Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment, EU</li> <li>Presidency</li> <li>Mr Kurt VANDENBERGHE, Director, European Commission DG R&amp;I.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
10:00	PANEL DISCUSSION: Dr <i>Eeva FURMAN</i> , OpenNESS; Dr <i>Mark ROUNSEVELL</i> , OPERAs; European Commission; MEPs.
10:30	INTRODUCING OPPLA - a 'one stop shop' for the latest knowledge and practice on nature-based solutions. (Participants will be invited to registering to Oppla before and during the event).
10:55	INTERACTIVE SCIENCE-POLICY DIALOGUE showcasing how innovating with nature contributes to sustainable EU policies. Four different policy issues will be addressed, circular economy and competitiveness; energy and climate; urban wellbeing; or Sustainable Development Goals. (EC policy offers to be confirmed).  All participants are invited to join the dialogue by posting questions to 'Ask Oppla'
12:40	Next steps, by Dr <i>Eeva FURMAN</i> and Dr <i>Mark ROUNSEVELL</i> Closing by Mr <i>Kurt VANDENBERGHE</i>
	AFTERNOON SESSION at DG Research & Innovation, European Commission (de Marsveldstraat 21 Rue du Champs, Brussels; walking distance)
13:30	LUNCH
14:00 – 17:00	<ul> <li>QUESTION &amp; ANSWER SESSION at DG Research &amp; Innovation or Online</li> <li>Answering morning session questions posed through 'Ask Oppla' through e-mail, by the Oppla team and with support of researchers from OpenNESS and OPERAs.</li> <li>Possibility for direct conversation with the Oppla, OpenNESS &amp; OPERAs teams in person and to discuss in more detail specific questions or policy briefs.</li> </ul>





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