

SAFEGUARD FINAL CONFERENCE



26 February 2026



10:00–17:00 (CET)



Maison Irène et Frédéric Joliot-Curie, 100 Rue du Trône, 1050 Brussels, Belgium



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PLENARY

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| 10:00 – 10:05 | Welcome
<i>Ingolf Steffan-Dewenter, Adam Vanbergen</i> |
| 10:05 – 10:10 | Welcome
<i>Christophe Coudun, Project Officer REA</i> |
| 10:10 – 10:20 | Introduction to Safeguard and aims of the conference
<i>Ingolf Steffan-Dewenter</i> |
| 10:20 – 10:30 | Building on Safeguard: DG ENV's expectations and policy needs
<i>Andreas Gumbert, DG ENV</i> |

SESSION 1: European pollinator monitoring (EU PoMS and EU PI)

Chair: Simon Potts

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| 10:30 – 10:45 | Status and trends of European pollinators
<i>Nacho Bartomeus, Denis Michez</i> |
| 10:45 – 10:55 | Stakeholder perspective on future directions
<i>Konstantin Gospodinov, IUCN</i> |
| 10:55 – 11:15 | Plenary discussion |
| 11:15 – 11:45 | Coffee break |

SESSION 2: Understanding pressures on pollinators to guide land management (supporting Nature Restoration Regulation and CAP)

Chair: Ingolf Steffan-Dewenter

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| 11:45 – 12:00 | Synthesis on major drivers of pollinator declines
<i>Oliver Schweiger</i> |
| 12:00 – 12:15 | Role of landscape management and resource competition for pollinator conservation in high-value habitats
<i>Ingolf Steffan-Dewenter</i> |
| 12:15 – 12:25 | Emerging pressures on pollinators
<i>Simon Potts, Adam Vanbergen, Mark Brown</i> |
| 12:25 – 12:35 | Stakeholder perspective on future directions
<i>TBA, Butterfly Conservation Europe</i> |
| 12:35 – 13:00 | Plenary discussion |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch break |

SESSION 3: Integrated approaches to pollinator protection (supporting EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030 and Urban Nature Platform)

Chair: David Kleijn

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| 14:00 – 14:20 | Effective responses to counteract pollinator decline in managed landscapes
<i>David Kleijn, Lorenzo Marini</i> |
| 14:20 – 14:30 | Urban pollinator-promoting interventions
<i>Andr s Baldi</i> |
| 14:30 – 14:40 | How we value and talk about pollinators
<i>Ren  van der Wal</i> |
| 14:40 – 14:50 | Linking values to actions for wild pollinator conservation
<i>Zafarani Uwingabire</i> |
| 14:50 – 15:00 | Stakeholder perspective on future directions
<i>TBA, European Landowner Organisation</i> |
| 15:00 – 15:20 | Plenary discussion |
| 15:20 – 15:50 | Coffee break |

SESSION 4: Building on Safeguard: future perspectives and knowledge needs

Chair: Evelyn Underwood

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| 15:50 – 16:10 | Integrative assessment framework to strengthen pollinator relevant policy and decision making
<i>Adam Vanbergen, Henrik Smith</i> |
| 16:10 – 16:20 | Stakeholder perspective on future directions
<i>Katarzyna Biala, European Environmental Agency</i> |
| 16:20 – 16:40 | Plenary discussion |
| 16:40 – 17:00 | Final discussion and wrap-up
<i>Ingolf Steffan-Dewenter, Adam Vanbergen</i> |