

Public Hearing on

"Investing in nature and biodiversity: challenges and opportunities"

organised by the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI)

12 October 2015 15h30 - 17h00 European Parliament, Room PHS 3C050, Brussels

DRAFT PROGRAMME

15h30 - 15h35	Welcome and opening by the Chair
15h35 - 15h40	Opening statement by the Rapporteur - Mark Demesmaeker
15h40 - 15h45	Short statement by the Committee of the Regions Rapporteur - Roby Biwer
15h45 - 15h55	Challenges faced in implementing the EU's Biodiversity Strategy - Luc Bas - Director, International Union for Conservation of Nature
15h55 - 16h05	The socio-economic opportunities of investing in nature & biodiversity Ignace Schops, President, Europarc Federation Council
16h05 - 16h15	Green infrastructures and ecological engineering in France - Virginie Dumoulin, Ministry for Ecology, Sustainable Development & Energy, France

16h15 - 16h25	Knowledge-development and research on nature and its sustainable management - Jurgen Tack, Director, Research Institute for Nature	
	and Forest	
16h25 - 16h50	Questions by MEPs	
Conclusions		
16h50 - 16h55	Concluding remarks by the Rapporteur	
16h55 - 17h00	Closing statement by the Chair	