



BBA Newsletter – June 2026

After weeks of intense heat — with temperatures climbing above 35°C — Belgium's ecosystems are feeling the strain. This month, we turn our attention to **water and climate resilience**: how citizens, companies and organisations alike can help nature recover and become more resilient to the extremes ahead. From urban wetlands to collective action for biodiversity, this edition is all about building buffers for a changing climate.

Let's dive in 👉

Tip of the month

Put a water bowl outside. This dry period is tough on animals big and small. Place a shallow bowl of fresh water in your garden, on your balcony or on your business premises — for birds, bees, hedgehogs and insects. Put a small stone or twig in it so that small animals can climb out safely, and change the water regularly. A small gesture with a big impact. 🐦💧



Project in the spotlight

Wetlands4Cities, a project by Natuurpunt in collaboration with Ecover, is installing five urban wetlands across Flanders, turning them into biodiversity hotspots and natural climate buffers. Wetlands act as natural sponges — retaining water, mitigating heat, capturing carbon and supporting thousands of species. Connected to the Natura 2000 network and the Flemish Ecological Network, these wetlands also strengthen ecological connectivity across Flanders, improving quality of life in cities while building resilience against climate extremes. 🌿💧

[Learn more](#)

Partner in the spotlight

This month we spotlight our partner **PlantC**, which connects companies and individuals with local biodiversity and climate projects through a network of farmers, foresters and landowners. PlantC has just launched "**Les Fourmis de PlantC**" — a campaign inviting companies to pool resources as "Biodiversity Ambassador Companies" to fund high-impact local projects: hedgerows, ponds, orchards and ecosystem restoration. Just like ants in a colony, every contribution counts — but it's the collective effort that truly transforms the landscape. Interested in joining? Get in touch with PlantC to learn more. 🐜🌳



[Learn more](#)

Upcoming events on biodiversity



Our Land – Nuestra Tierra – 8 July

Nuestra Tierra is coming to Belgian cinemas on 8 July! This award-winning documentary by Lucrecia Martel tells the story of Javier Chocobar, leader of Argentina's Chuschagasta community, murdered in 2009 while resisting eviction from ancestral lands. A must-watch for everyone interested in human rights, the rights of indigenous peoples, or social and environmental justice! 👥

[Learn more](#)



BBA Symposium – 9 September

Join us for an inspiring one-day symposium at Hasselt University, bringing together diverse stakeholders around one question: *how do we accelerate the transition to a biodiversity-positive society?*

Exciting news: more speakers have now been confirmed for the BBA Symposium, and the day is shaping up to be a truly inspiring one! A few spots are still available: check the website for the latest programme and to register. 🎉

[Learn more](#)



NatuurFutuur – 17 September

On 17 September 2026, the **Agency for Nature and Forests** will launch the first edition of NatuurFutuur at the Nekkerhal in Mechelen.

During this inspiring event, ANB will bring together everyone working in the fields of nature, space and the environment. Don't expect a traditional seminar, but rather a dynamic day featuring 18 interactive sessions, real-life examples and plenty of opportunity for discussion and collaboration! 🌳

[Learn more](#)

Do you know inspiring initiatives that contribute to the objectives of the BBA? We'd love to discover and showcase more inspiring

actions on our website, so feel free to email us.

Email us

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A network diagram consisting of several dark teal circles of varying sizes connected by thin lines, set against a teal background. The circles are arranged in a roughly circular pattern, with some larger circles acting as hubs.