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## Nature-related sessions

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The World Economic Forum's work on Nature Positive aims to catalyze multistakeholder action and systems change for the transition towards a nature positive economy. This results in the protection, sustainable management and restoration of forest, grassland, wetland and ocean ecosystems, securing the foundation for sustainable social and economic development.

The **Tropical Forest Alliance** is a multistakeholder partnership platform which catalyzes the power of collective action to drive the world's transition to deforestation-free supply chains, ensuring a forest-positive future.

**1t.org**, a platform for the trillion trees community, serves the global movement to conserve, restore and grow one trillion trees by 2030, in support of the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration.

The **Nature Action Agenda** is a multi-sector movement catalyzing economic action to halt biodiversity loss by 2030 and enable humans to live in harmony with nature.

The **Ocean Action Agenda** strives to unlock knowledge, engage champions, build collaboration, and catalyze innovation, in order to facilitate global change to bring about the healthy ocean that is essential for people, the climate and nature to thrive.

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## Forum events

### [No Paris Without the Ocean: Partnerships to Activate Ocean-Climate Solutions at Scale](#)

Thursday 30 November, 11:00-12:00

Ocean Pavilion (Blue Zone) (open session)

The Paris Agreement simply cannot be successful without the ocean, as ocean solutions could provide up to 35% of the emissions reductions needed to meet the 1.5C climate target. This session will showcase

ambitious partnerships that support the conservation and restoration of ocean ecosystems for climate, nature, and people, and will propose concrete next steps to scale up ambition.

### [Ocean Innovators Platform Reception: All Aboard for Blue Tech](#)

Friday 1 December, 18:00-21:00

OceanXplorer, Dubai Harbour (invite only)

This exclusive gathering aims to showcase the essential role of entrepreneurship, innovation and investment in developing a sustainable blue economy, highlighting commitments to propel ocean innovations for a healthy ocean.

### [Chief Sustainability Leaders & Youth Leaders Breakfast: Catalyzing Inclusive Climate Resilience at COP28](#)

Sunday 3 December, 08:00-09:30

Carnegie and Vanderbilt, St Regis The Palm (invite only)

In the face of escalating climate challenges and biodiversity loss, fostering a strong and inclusive dialogue between Chief Sustainability Leaders and Youth Leaders is imperative. This intimate and interactive breakfast will discuss the challenges, current state of business strategy and the role of community and youth-led solutions in addressing climate adaptation and resilience.

### [Nature Positive Transition: The Foundation of a Net-Zero Economy](#)

Tuesday 5 December, 09:00-10:00

Nature Positive Pavilion (Blue Zone) (open session, livestreamed)

There is no hope of achieving a net-zero economy unless we protect, restore and sustainably manage Earth's natural ecosystems. This session will outline the public-private partnership requirements, innovative financial mechanisms and the associated policy and market incentives required to transition to an economic model that is nature positive.

### **Nature Positive Economy Reception**

Tuesday 5 December, 17:00-19:00

Nature Positive Pavilion (Blue Zone) (invite only)

This reception will conclude 'Business in Action' day at the Nature Positive Pavilion, co-hosted by the World Economic Forum, bringing together many of the pioneering companies represented throughout the day to showcase collaborative solutions and provide a networking opportunity for those looking to learn.

### **Net-Zero, Nature-Positive Built Environment**

Wednesday 6 December, 14:00-15:00

ISO Pavilion (Blue Zone) (open session)

The global built floor area will increase by 20% by 2030. With the built environment responsible for 39% of global greenhouse gas emissions, 33% of material consumption and waste and 25% of land system change, the need for clear transition pathways for net-zero nature-positive urbanization is stronger than ever. What are the ready-to-implement solutions to transform the built environment in line with climate and nature targets while improving the wellbeing of populations and the resilience of urban spaces?

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## **Sessions of interest**

### **Roadmaps to Nature Positive: Accelerating Corporate Action, Ambition and Accountability to Halt and Reverse Nature Loss by 2030**

(led by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development)

Tuesday 5 December, 10:15-11:15

Nature Positive Pavilion (Blue Zone) (open session, livestreamed)

Nature Action is imperative for all businesses, irrespective of sector and maturity level on their nature journey. Representatives from key socio-economic systems will share insights and learnings to encourage the business community to take nature action.

### **How to Develop and Publish a Credible Nature Strategy**

(led by Business for Nature)

Tuesday 5 December, 14:15-15:15

Nature Positive Pavilion (Blue Zone) (open session, livestreamed)

'It's Now for Nature' is a global campaign to rally all businesses to act on nature. By setting a credible nature strategy and acting ambitiously, businesses can reduce negative impacts, boost business resilience, bring new commercial opportunities, create long-term value and strengthen climate and sustainability goals. We're asking business - where is nature in your business strategy? Join this session to understand how you can develop a nature strategy that contributes to halting and reversing nature loss by 2030.

### **Carbon and Biodiversity Credits: Directing Finance for Climate and Nature**

(co-hosted by the World Economic Forum and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development)

Wednesday 6 December, 15:00-16:00

Nature Positive Pavilion (Blue Zone) (open session, livestreamed)

Much more finance needs to be raised to address climate change, nature loss and inequality crises. Voluntary nature markets can mobilize private capital towards conservation and restoration interventions that would not otherwise be financially viable. This session will discuss how the nascent biodiversity credit market can complement and strengthen the market for carbon credits and, in particular, for natural climate solutions.

### **Oliver Wyman at COP28: The Nature Opportunity**

(co-hosted by the World Economic Forum and Oliver Wyman)

Wednesday 6 December, 16:00-17:00

Greening Education Hub (invite only)

Putting nature first is good for business and economic resilience. According to recent research by the World Economic Forum, nature positive solutions have the potential to generate US\$10 trillion in business opportunities. This joint session with Oliver Wyman and the World Economic Forum will discuss how businesses are capturing new nature-related opportunities.

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