

# The Value of Private Land Conservation

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**MEP Karl-Heinz FLORENZ**

Keynote by **Humberto DELGADO ROSA**

Director, Natural Capital, DG Environment

16h00-16h10	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> by MEP & President of the Intergroup “Biodiversity, Hunting and Countryside”, Karl-Heinz FLORENZ
16h10-16h30	<b>Opening and Keynote</b> , Director, Natural Capital, Directorate-general for Environment, Humberto DELGADO ROSA
16h30-17h15	<b>Panel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jan WINTERS, Senior Project Manager, Vleemo</li><li>• Andras KROLOPP, Senior Policy Adviser, The Nature Conservancy</li><li>• Els MARTENS, Team Strategy, EU &amp; International Processes, Flemish Government, Agency For Nature &amp; Forests</li><li>• Ing. Jakob R. K. LEIDEKKER, Head of Corporate Management of De Hoge Veluwe National Park</li></ul>
17h15-17h50	<b>Discussion</b>
17h50-18h00	<b>Conclusion</b> by MEP, Karl-Heinz FLORENZ



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## SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES



**Karl-Heinz FLORENZ** is MEP and the President of the Intergroup Biodiversity, Hunting, and Countryside. He is an economist and agricultural master. He has been a Member of the European Parliament since 1989. He is a Member of the Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety and was Chairman of this Committee from 2004 to 2007. He is also a substitute member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs and was a rapporteur and a member of the former Temporary Committee on Climate Change.

**Humberto DELGADO ROSA** is the Director for Natural Capital, DG Environment, European Commission. Previously he was Director for Mainstreaming Adaptation and Low Carbon Technology in DG Climate Action. He is experienced in European and international environmental policy, particularly in biodiversity and climate change issues. He served as Secretary of State for the Environment of the Portuguese Government from March 2005 to June 2011. Between 1995 and 2002 he was an advisor for environmental matters to the Prime-Minister of Portugal.



**Jan WINTERS** joined Vleemo (Vlaamse Ecologie, Energie en Milieu Onderneming) in 2014 as Senior Project Manager. He is involved in strategic projects and responsible for the development of large scale onshore wind parks in Port of Antwerp. Prior to this function, Jan was working for Belgacom

as director for public affairs Flanders from 2012-2014. From 2004-2012, he was working for the Flemish government as deputy chief of cabinet for environment and Nature. Afterward, he joined Umicore as project manager for environment and environment coordinator. Jan holds an PhD in Engineering and a master degree in Engineering.



**Andras KROLOPP** joined the TNC in 2012 as Senior Policy Advisor for government relations, focusing mainly on EU policy issues. Prior joining TNC, Andras was working for IUCN (Brussels) first as Deputy Head of the Countdown Initiative, later as Senior Policy Advisor covering EU biodiversity and regional policies.

He was seconded to the Hungarian Government during its EU presidency and covered Biodiversity finance in preparations and during CBD COP. Before working for IUCN, he was engaged with various NGOs, like CEEweb (covering Central and Eastern Europe), Global Nature Fund (Germany) and the Europe Centre for Nature Conservation (Netherlands). Andras has the MSc in Environmental Management and degrees in Biology and Geography.



**Els MARTENS** is working for the Policy Division of the Agency for Nature and Forests of the government of Flanders. Since more than 10 years she is involved in nature policy planning and follow-up processes of European union programmes, international conventions and agreements on biodiversity and nature.

Prior to this function, Els spent 13 years in Kenya where she was involved in various projects on coastal conservation, marine parks management planning and university environmental education programmes. Els is doctor in science and holds a postgraduate degree in marine ecology.



**Jakob LEIDEKKER** studied Forestry and Nature Management at the Hogere Bosbouw and Cultuurtechnische School in Velp (NL). After his Military service at the Dutch Special Forces he worked as a contractor for an engineering firm. He then worked part-time at a practical forestry School and part-time for the

Dutch hunters association. The First steps in the real management of nature he made at Veluwezoom National Park owned by Natuurmonumenten. In 2004 he moved to De Hoge Veluwe National Park and took the function of head of operations in which he is responsible for the management of the Park. Not only in the practical way but also political. He was for instance involved in the total process of the making of the Nature conservation law in Holland.