



Global Partnership for Business and Biodiversity: National and Regional Initiatives Report

The Global Partnership for Business and Biodiversity: National and Regional Initiatives Report will serve as a guide for existing and future initiatives to refer to. It will include information from all initiatives on all the points seen below. The purpose of this report is to have the most essential and pertinent information about GPBB initiatives in one place, for easy access and visibility, as well as the up-to-date information as the annual report in each initiative's webpage. Because the makeup of each national and regional initiative is different, we hope this report highlights the key characteristics that comprise the GPBB initiatives.

1. General Information

Profile
<u>Description:</u> Please include a brief summary of the initiative while mentioning the date of creation, who it represents, and its main purpose.
Please answer here: Business & Biodiversity Sweden is a national business network initiated and operated by Ecogain since 2017. It brings together large companies and industry associations that are committed to integrating biodiversity into core business strategies. The network aims to foster collaboration, provide access to strategic knowledge and best practices, and support Swedish businesses in leading the transition toward nature-positive business.

Vision
<u>Description:</u> Please summarize the initiatives' vision in one sentence.
Please answer here: To integrate biodiversity into business models and drive sustainable development.

Mission
<u>Description:</u> Please summarize the initiatives' mission in one sentence.
Please answer here: To strengthen the link between business strategy and biodiversity through collaboration, knowledge and innovation.



Objectives

Description: In point form, please include the main objectives of the initiative.

Please answer here:

- Strengthen the role of biodiversity in business development and strategy
- Provide strategic knowledge and tools to enable action
- Foster exchange of ideas and peer learning between companies
- Create influence and impact on national and international policy
- Promote nature-positive business through concrete examples and partnerships

Funding, Budget and Resources

Description: Briefly describe the funding aspect of the initiative, including membership fees, external funding, donations, funding through events, etc.

Please answer here:

The initiative is operated and managed by Ecogain, primarily through in-kind resources. Membership fees contribute partially to its operations, while Ecogain provides core support through staffing, content, and administration.

Services and Activities

Description: In point form, please include the main services and activities that the initiative provides. These can include projects, events, workshops, information sharing, resource mobilization, capacity building, program development and implementation, case studies, policy recommendations, indicators and methodologies, etc.

Please answer here:

- Strategic seminars, workshops and webinars with leading experts
- Annual field trip focused on hands-on learning and real-world restoration practices
- Training on biodiversity and business integration
- Dialogue with Swedish ministries and government agencies
- International collaboration through EU B@B and GPBB
- Promotion through publications, blogs and social media
- Knowledge-sharing via case studies, peer exchanges and expert panels
- Annual CEO event and themed roundtables with invited guests
- Continuous development of methods and metrics (e.g. CLIMB)



Membership and Governance
<u>Description:</u> Please describe the membership and governance structures of the initiative, including the executive body, types of membership, levels of engagement and any associated organizations.
<p>Please answer here:</p> <p>The network is managed by Ecogain and supported by a program council with strategic advisors. While there is no formal board, the initiative actively engages its members through annual interviews to gather input for planning and evaluation. Membership is open to large companies and trade organisations, with a shared ambition to be frontrunners in sustainability and biodiversity integration.</p>

2. Annual Updates

Businesses your initiative represents
<u>Description:</u> Please indicate the businesses that your initiative represents. Please provide a full list of their names and the total amount of businesses that are represented.
<p>Please answer here:</p> <p>As of 2025, the network includes approximately 25 large companies and trade organisations, including: Akademiska Hus, BDX, Boliden, Catena, Fortum, Handelsbanken, Jernkontoret, LKAB, NCC, Ragnsells, SBMI, SCA, SEB, Skandia fastigheter, Skellefteå Kraft, Specialfastigheter, SR Energy, Stora Enso, Sveaskog, Svemin, Svenska Kraftnät, Swedbank, Swerock, Södra, Vattenfall</p>

Highlights of Work in 2024
<u>Description:</u> Please highlight outstanding works in 2024.
<p>Please answer here:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in COP16 preparations, including a live webinar for members to address their questions and queries, and engagement in EU biodiversity dialogues • Contributed to Sweden's updated National Biodiversity Strategy (NBSAP) • Hosted expert sessions on future strategies for biodiversity and business, including the global "It's Now for Nature" campaign by Business for Nature, new biodiversity KPIs using CLIMB in Sigtuna, and the development of nature positive strategies and BNG (biodiversity net gain) approaches. • Featured guest speakers in 2024 included Karin André (Volvo Cars), Gavin Edwards (Nature Positive Initiative), Sandra Roling (Business for Nature), Claes Svedlindh (Swedish EPA), and a panel with experts from LKAB, Södra, County Administration Boards and Ecogain. Several biodiversity and strategy experts from Ecogain also contributed throughout the year.



- Field trip to Sigtuna to explore the biodiversity metric CLIMB in practice, guided by ecological experts and municipal representatives
- Strengthened consultation role with Swedish ministries and agencies

Reports, Platforms, or Publications Launched in 2024

Description: Please indicate reports, platforms, or publications launched by the initiative in 2024, if any.

Please answer here: –

Planning of Work in 2025

Description: Please indicate the initiative's remarkable work in 2025.

Please answer here:

- Field trip to Nynäs Nature Reserve focused on the new EU Nature Restoration Law
- Birdwatching and biodiversity excursion on Gotland
- Invitation-only CEO lunch featuring Johan Rockström
- Continued role as consulted stakeholder in national policy processes
- Seminar with invited experts from the UK
- Strengthening knowledge sharing through a public platform and member tools

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