



Climate change causes an important impact on the increase of rain, and more particularly on the intensity of rainfall precipitations. Combined with growing land waterproofing, this multiplies the risk of flooding.

The 2nd Edition of the Brussels Urban Landscape Biennial dives into the stakes related to water management in urban environments. How to deal with the retention, infiltration or evacuation of rainwater in an integrated manner? Can landscape architecture generate answers for these complex challenges?

What are the limits of the current way of addressing the question of water in the city? Through workshops, research by design, an exhibition, a colloquium and curated walks, during two months this biennial will to sensitize the broad public to the importance of water in urban environments. Instead of considering water as a threat, it will be approached as a vital and structuring element in the urban landscape.

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Lecturers

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BRUSSELS URBAN LANDSCAPE BIENNIAL

SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

08:50 - Welcome speech by Paul Dujardin (BOZAR) followed by an opening by Minister-President of the Government of the Brussels-Capital Region responsible for Spatial Development and Urban Policy, the Minister of the Government of the Brussels-Capital Region, responsible for the Environment and the Quality of Life, and Guillaume van der Vaeren (President of the FBU-BFS)

09:30 –Joachim Declerck (AWB, moderator of the symposium) and Michèle Laruë-Charlus (Bordeaux 2050, Executive Manager of Agora)

PART I : NEW URBAN WATERSCAPES, A MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH

09:50 – Theme 1 : « How to ensure the continuity, circularity and productivity of water cycles integrated to the city ? »
TBC Giambattista Zaccariotto
(Landscape Architect)

Coffee-Break (30')

11:00 – Theme 2 : « How to maximise biodiversity and ecological potential in space planning ? »
Sybrand Tjallingii
(NL, ecologist & urban planner)

11:30 – Theme 3 : « How to institute water access as a common right in shared space, awareness and common management ? »
Eva Pfannes (DE, Ooze, architect)

12:00 – Discussion with the 3 international speakers moderated by Joachim Declerck (AWB)

12:30 – LUNCH

PART II : ROUND TABLES - WATER IN THE BRUSSELS' LANDSCAPE

14:00 – Introduction of the afternoon programme by Guillaume van der Vaeren (President of the FBU-BFS)

14:05 – Presentation by Anne Claire Dewez from Bruxelles Environnement on the challenges, aims and strategies of the Water & Nature Management Plan

14:30 – Summary of the challenges raised in the exhibition :
Discussion with Joachim Declerck (AWB) with :
Bas Smets (Bureau Bas Smets)
Thierry Kandjee (Taktyk)
Laurent Miers (JNC International)
Marco Ranzato (Latitude, ULB/Metrolab)
Eric Mannes (Cabinet of the Minister Céline Frémault)
Michèle Laruë-Charlus (Bordeaux 2050, Executive Manager of Agora)

15:30 – Thematic workshops

Thème 1 : « How to ensure continuity, circularity and productivity of water cycles integrated to the city ? »

Thème 2 : « How to maximise biodiversity and ecological potential in space planning ? »

Theme 3 : « How to institute water access as a common right in shared space, awareness and common management ? »

16:45 – Joint discussion with the 3 workshop moderators and Joachim Declerck (AWB): « Which actions to undertake in order to face the uncertainties of tomorrow (Horizon 2050) ? »

17:00 – Conclusion by Guillaume van der Vaeren (President of the FBU-BFS)

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