



125 Years

Europe Elects:

Together for the Restoration of Nature

Wednesday, May 15th 2024 | 09:30 - 12:30 am

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

The restoration of our damaged rivers, forests, peatlands and seas is indispensable – for secure food and water supply, climate protection and conservation of biodiversity. To this end, binding EU regulations and investments in the restoration of nature in the EU are necessary. Whether this will be successful, depends decisively on the results of the European elections from June 6th to 9th. We will discuss with representatives of the European Parliament and nature conservation practitioners, what decisions need to be taken at EU level now.

NABU, together with BirdLife Europe & Central Asia and our Polish partner organization OTOP, cordially invites you to a discussion in Frankfurt (Oder) as well as online, in three languages.

Using examples such as the cooperation of nature conservation organizations and volunteers in Poland and Ukraine and the cross-border work for the Oder River, we will highlight the importance of EU support for a free civil society and a democratic Europe – and how essential the elections in June will be for that.

We are looking forward to meeting you!

Best regards

Konstantin Kreiser
Director of Nature Conservation Policy, NABU

NABU –

We are what we do.

Living and breathing nature conservation.

Founded in 1899, NABU (Nature And Biodiversity Conservation Union) is the oldest and largest environment association in Germany. It encompasses more than 940,000 members and supporters, who commit themselves to the conservation of threatened habitats, flora, and fauna, to climate protection and energy policy.

NABU's main objectives are the preservation of habitats and biodiversity, the promotion of sustainability in agriculture, forest management, and water supply and distribution, as well as to enhance the significance of nature conservation in our society.

About 70,000 volunteers play an active role in practical nature conservation work, with great success: this is something that is special to NABU. These active NABU members look after more than 110,000 hectares of valuable protected reserves in Germany.

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09:00 am Admission

09:30 am **Welcome and Introduction**
Jörg-Andreas Krüger
President of NABU

09:45 am **Together for Nature in Ukraine:
Short Film, followed by a Discussion**
Izabela Wilczynska-Gadi
*Director of OTOP
(BirdLife Partner in Poland)*

Dr Ivan Rusev
*Board Member of USPB
(BirdLife Partner in Ukraine)*

10:45 am **Together for the Oder River:
Presentation**
Björn Ellner
Chairman NABU Brandenburg

Radek Gawlik
*President of the polish environmental orga-
nization EKO-UNIA*

11:15 am Coffee Break

11:30 am **Together for Nature in Europe - Expecta-
tions for the next European Parliament:
Podium Discussion**

Hannah Neumann
*(B90/Die Grünen), Member of the European
Parliament*

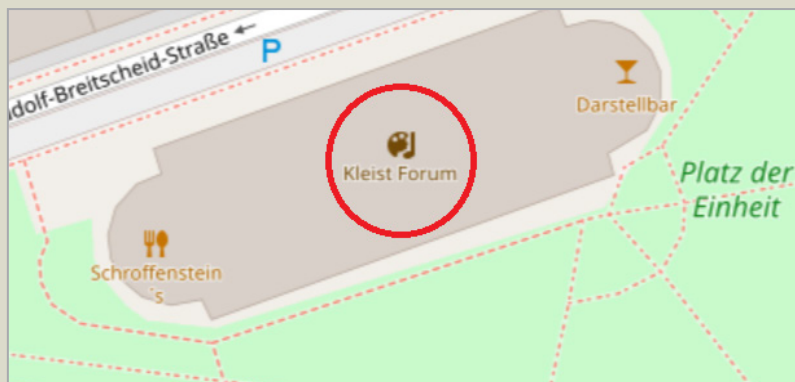
Róża Thun und Hohenstein
*(Polska 2050), Member of the European
Parliament*

Ariel Brunner
Director of BirdLife Europe & Central Asia

12:30 am **Concluding Remarks**
Konstantin Kreiser
*Director of Nature Conservation Policy,
NABU*

Snacks

Moderation:
Julia Vismann,
Scientific Journalist



REGISTRATION

The event is free of charge.
It will take place on-site and will also be broad-
cast via livestream.
In both cases, please register in advance by
May 8, 2024, at:
www.NABU.de/Election-Talk

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