



Bringing Nature and Industry Together: Protecting Biodiversity in Europe's Quarries

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10:00 — 11:30 am (CET)

Quarries are often seen only through the lens of extraction. Yet across Europe, many have become valuable habitats through rehabilitation for protected and endangered species.

Since the publication of its [Biodiversity Roadmap](#), the European cement sector has further stepped up its efforts to protect and restore biodiversity at quarry sites, working with scientists, NGOs and local communities to track progress and improve conservation outcomes.

This webinar will explore how these initiatives contribute to protecting Europe's species and habitats while demonstrating how industry can play a constructive role in contributing to a nature-positive economy.

Speakers from the European Commission, civil society, research organisations and the cement industry will share perspectives on the policy framework, the progress achieved so far and practical examples from quarry sites across Europe.

Agenda

All speakers to be confirmed.

10:00 Introduction by the moderator **Dr. Carolyn Jewell, Senior Manager Biodiversity and Natural Resources at CRH**

10:05 State of play of the Biodiversity Roadmap by **Alexandra Silva, Environmental and Biodiversity Manager at SECIL and Chair of the Biodiversity Task Force at Cement Europe**

10:15 Intervention from **Przemyslaw Oginski, European Commission, DG-Environment, Unit D3. Nature Conservation**

10:30 Intervention from **Nigel Symes, Conservation Partnership Manager, BirdLife Europe and Central Asia**

10:45 Case studies from the cement industry

11:25 Closing remarks