

# Mobilising Capital for Climate Impact: Luxembourg Launches International Climate Finance Days (04.06.2026)

From 3 to 5 June 2026, the Ministry for the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity is bringing together key decision makers for its first *Luxembourg International Climate Finance Days* (Luxembourg ICF Days). The event marks a significant step in strengthening global efforts to bridge the gap between climate ambition and concrete implementation. The inaugural edition was officially launched last night, on 3 June 2026, at the Cercle Cité, in the presence of high-level representatives from governments, European institutions, international finance organisations and the private sector.

Climate impacts intensify worldwide as translating commitments on emission reductions and resilience into effective action remains a key challenge. With public budgets under pressure, energy security at the top of government and business agendas, and a world in turmoil, mobilising climate finance – particularly from private sources – is essential to accelerate the transition towards a climate-resilient and more sustainable future.

The Luxembourg ICF Days aim to align decision-makers and accelerate progress on high-impact action and investible opportunities that create lasting value for climate, people, and biodiversity. The event brings together Ministers and high-level representatives, including Wopke Hoekstra, European Commissioner for Climate Action, Mauro Vieira, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Brazil and Nadia Calviño, President of the European Investment Bank (EIB); major climate finance institutions and implementation partners such as the EIB, Green Climate Fund, Tropical Forest Forever Facility, World Federation of Exchanges, Global Green Growth Institute, and Global Landscapes Forum; senior leaders from Luxembourg's global financial centre, including the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, Luxembourg Green Exchange, Luxembourg Sustainable Finance Initiative, LuxFlag, as well as international climate finance experts from governments, multilateral organisations, the financial sector, and civil society.

## **Opening Ceremony**

The Opening Ceremony included a series of keynotes by:

- Serge Wilmes, Minister of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, who opened the political segment by underlining the urgent need to turn climate commitments into concrete, investment-ready action;
- Wopke Hoekstra, European Commissioner for Climate, Net Zero and Clean Growth, who highlighted the role of Europe in advancing climate finance;
- Nadia Calviño, President of the European Investment Bank Group, who emphasised scaling investments and strengthening partnerships;
- Marie-Ange Saraka-Yao, Director of External Relations at the Green Climate Fund, who stressed the importance of supporting developing countries through climate finance.

Another highlight of the evening was the celebration of the 10-year anniversary of the Luxembourg Green Exchange. Led by representatives of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, the segment retraced a decade of progress in advancing transparent and impactful sustainable finance, including testimonials and a dedicated video.

The celebration concluded with a keynote address by Gilles Roth, Minister of Finance, reaffirming Luxembourg's commitment to sustainable finance.

A symbolic "Ring the Bell" ceremony brought together government representatives, European and international partners, and LuxSE leadership to mark this milestone and continued progress in climate finance.

### **Setting the stage for the days ahead**

Taking place just ahead of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies meetings in Bonn, the Luxembourg ICF Days reinforce continuity in the global climate process, linking outcomes from COP29 in Baku with COP30 in Belém and beyond.

Over the coming days, participants will engage in keynotes, roundtables, working sessions and partner-led events focusing on:

- Strengthening cooperation between public and private finance
- Unlocking investments through innovative financial instruments
- Scaling up funding for adaptation and biodiversity
- Enhancing the effectiveness and impact of climate finance.

With *Luxembourg International Climate Finance Days*, by the Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg reaffirms its commitment and position at the heart of international discussions on how to scale and direct financial flows where they are most needed.

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