



## 3<sup>RD</sup> WARSAW CLIMATE TALKS

### THE POTENTIAL OF EMISSION REDUCTION AND INNOVATIVE FARMING ON REWETTED PEATLANDS

18 September 2025 German Embassy in Poland, Warszawa ul. Jazdów 12\*

- 09:30-10:00** Registration and networking
- 10:00-10:05** Opening/Welcome remarks:
- **Miguel Berger**,  
Ambassador-Designate of the Federal Republic of Germany to Poland
- 10:05-10:30** Keynotes:
- **Franziska Tanneberger**, Director of the Greifswald Mire Centre
  - **Wiktór Kotowski**, Wetlands Conservation Centre
- 10:30-12:00** **Panel 1: Policy Pathways for Peatland Rewetting**  
*The panel will focus on legal constraints of rewetting actions. We will ask about necessary changes in specific regulations, but also in general, long-lasting paradigms in land management and agricultural subsidies*
- **Ulf Hauke**, Division "Precautionary Soil Conservation, Peatland Conservation" German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Climate Action, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety
  - **Lisa Neumann**, Division "Climate protection, climate adaptation, water", German Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Regional Identity
  - **Piotr Kropiński**, Deputy Director of the Department of Nature Conservation at the Ministry of Climate and Environment
  - **Elżbieta Budka**, Deputy Director at the Direct Payments Department at the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
- At the end of the panel 5-10 min Q&A with the audience.
- Moderator: **Monika Łaskawska-Wolszczak**, Wetland Conservation Centre
- 12:00-13:00** Lunch & networking

**13:00-15:00**

**Panel 2: Peatland rewetting: Practical experience and technical solutions**

*This panel will focus on the benefits and limitations of restoration with emphasis on wet farming. It will be a chance for representatives of Polish farmers to confront their needs and expectations with people working on large, ongoing projects in Germany.*

- **Anje Marten**, Manager of the pilot project „BLuMo“  
*BLuMo – A state-funded local project which aims on wet agriculture for climate protection, conducted in Brandenburg, Germany*
- **Michael Hafner**, Management and research projects of the special-purpose association “Donaumoos”  
*Donaumoos is the largest fen in Southern Germany, which faces large environmental challenges due to drainage*
- **Jessica K. Meißner**, Head of the Paludiculture Competence Centre of Lower Saxony, 3N Competence Centre Renewable Resources  
*The Paludiculture Competence Centre is the central information point for paludiculture in Lower Saxony. The Centre aims to promote and raise awareness of paludiculture as a peatland- and climate-friendly alternative to the previous agricultural and forestry use of peatlands.*
- **Jarosław Krogulec**, The Polish Society for the Protection of Birds (OTOP)  
*OTOP manages five nature reserves in Poland – coastal, Baltic halophilic meadows and wet meadows in the Biebrza Valley. In these areas, in cooperation with local farmers, it restores water regime and limits succession in formerly drained areas. We protect birds by protecting their habitats, which contributes to the preservation of biodiversity in the broadest sense.*
- **Wiktor Szmulewicz**, President of the National Council of Agricultural Chambers, tbc
- **Olaf Horbańczuk**, Director of the Association for Sustainable Agriculture & Food in Poland

At the end of the panel 5-10 min Q&A with the audience.

Moderator: **Aleksandra Leszczyńska**, Wetland Conservation Centre

**15:00-15:15**

**Closing Remarks**

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**15:15-16:00**

Coffee Break and net working

**Location:**

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Warsaw, ul. Jazdów 12 | 00-467 Warszawa

**Languages:**

German and Polish (with simultaneous translation)

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