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PRIVATE SESSIONS

Wednesday, 1 October

CICG, Geneva

Catalysing Nature-Positive Investment: Private Sessions

As efforts to address climate change and biodiversity loss intensify, nature-based solutions are increasingly recognised as both essential and investible. The challenge now is not just proving the concept, but scaling proven models and embedding them within mainstream finance. Unlocking capital for nature requires concrete deal pipelines, blended finance approaches, and mechanisms that can move quickly from commitment to deployment.

At Building Bridges 2025, three curated, private sessions will convene philanthropies, family offices, and financial institutions alongside African-led platforms and global partners. The focus will be operational: deploying investment vehicles, scaling revenue models, and aligning capital flows with nature-positive outcomes. Africa's ecosystems and entrepreneurial leadership will anchor the discussions, while insights will also address global frameworks and systemic solutions.

These sessions offer a trusted space for practical exchange, where participants can share real-world experiences and explore how catalytic structures can translate recognition of nature's value into sustained investment impact.

About Building Bridges

At the core of the initiative, launched by the finance community, Swiss public authorities, the United Nations, NGOs, and other international actors, is the recognition that the scale and complexity of the sustainability transition requires "building bridges" between private and public stakeholders. Each year, the Building Bridges Foundation hosts a flagship event designed to showcase investment-ready ideas, strategic alliances, and high-impact partnerships. From 30 September – 2 October 2025, the sixth edition builds on proven formats that enable collaboration to drive capital towards real-world impact, sharpen the investment case for sustainability, and strengthen collaboration across sectors.

Please check out the full [programme of Building Briges 2025](#) for more information.

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From Aid to Ownership: Catalytic Capital for Africa's Nature-Positive Future

This session introduces Africa's Bioeconomy Finance Hub which seeks to catalyse finance for a thriving, nature-positive bioeconomy across the continent. It is working under the aspiration that by 2035, Africa can capture up to 50% of the final value of its biomass—up from less than 10% today—through innovation, local value addition, and equitable market access, positioning itself as a key player in the global bioeconomy, a sector projected to exceed USD 30 trillion in value over the coming decades.

Africa Rising: Investing in Nature, Powering the Planet

This private luncheon will highlight pioneering African-led finance platforms:

- **REGEN De-Risking Facility** - a blended finance vehicle designed to mobilise large-scale investment into regenerative agriculture and sustainable forestry across Africa.
- **Nature Finance Innovation Lab** - a catalytic accelerator, turning post-feasibility, nature-positive enterprises into investment-ready businesses that prove nature can generate returns beyond carbon.
- **Africa's Bioeconomy Finance Hub** - A catalytic platform to turn current G20 momentum on the bioeconomy into a lasting legacy for Africa by scaling finance into a sustainable, nature-positive African bioeconomy.

In addition, leading ANCA members, including Natural State, New Forests, and Kijani Pamoja, will present investible projects that demonstrate how African innovation can connect with global capital to power a more sustainable future.

Catalysing Scale: Investing in Nature-Positive Ventures with Proven Revenue Models

This private session will spotlight the deployment of catalytic capital into restoration and nature-based solutions revenue-generating models around the world, all aligned with Target 19 of the Global Biodiversity Framework. Building on initiatives already supported by catalytic philanthropy, participants will explore how these ventures can be scaled, replicated, and de-risked through collaborative vehicles. The session will catalyse co-investment opportunities, advance venture philanthropy, and define actionable next steps to accelerate capital flows into nature-positive outcomes.

Practical Information

Wednesday, 1st October 10:30-12:00
Roundtable (20PAX)

Host: ANCA & NatureFinance

Partner: Building Bridges

Target Audience: Family Offices, Philantropies, Impact Investors

Wednesday, 1st October 13:00-14:30
Private Luncheon (40 PAX)

Host: ANCA

Partner: Building Bridges

Target Audience: Swiss investors & institutions

Wednesday, 1st October 16:30-18:00
Roundtable (20 PAX)

Host: UNEP-FI, GFI, UNDP BIOFIN

Target Audience: Swiss Family Offices & Foundations