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## **Mouvement Écologique Activity Report 2024 [www.meco.lu](http://www.meco.lu)**

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# Mouvement Ecologique

## Dynamic - Critical - Committed

2025 was an extremely eventful year for Mouvement Ecologique.

This comprehensive activity report impressively illustrates the wide range of Mouvement Écologique's activities.

Numerous forward-looking proposals were put forward, people were brought together, and information sharing and dialogue were encouraged. At the same time, Mouvement Ecologique did not hesitate to speak out when government decisions were heading in the wrong direction.

Commitment is certainly more important than ever in times of crisis.

That is why we would like to extend our sincere thanks to all members and supporters for their invaluable support. Without it, the Mouvement Écologique could not play the role it plays today!

A special thank you also goes to everyone who is actively involved in the Mouvement Écologique!

In 2026, MECO will continue to be committed with the same consistency, creativity and professionalism.



### Board of Directors 2025–2026

The Board of Directors, elected at the Congress on 26 March 2025, comprised the following members for the period 2025–2026:

Weber Blanche, Chair Muller  
Jeannot, Vice-Chair Dammé  
Roger, Secretary  
Espen Emile, Treasurer

Tom Becker, Théid Faber, Béatrice Kieffer, Gérard Kieffer, Joy Mertz, Marianne Milmeister, Claude Petit, Jacques Pir, Bob Reuter, Jean Rischette, Laure Simon, Thomas Steinmann, Patrick Weyrich, members.



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## Active and

# A better future – move.!

2025 was a year full of positive activities for move.: we kicked off with a climate debate and the conference 'Young, politically engaged – Perspectives rather than clichés'. On this occasion, several speakers discussed the findings of the Shell Youth Study, as well as the implications these might have for young people in Luxembourg.

One of the major successes of this year was winning first place in the Youth Prize with our Zukunftshaff project. The project was successfully renewed this summer.

This year also marked the return of our move.Fest, this time under the motto move.your.tomorrow.

The evening ended on a high note with good food, guest bands and karaoke.

One of our Movlerinnen was able to travel to Budapest for the annual general meeting of Young Friends of the Earth Europe, where she exchanged ideas with other youth groups in the network. To mark COP 30, we organised a symbolic protest with two coffins outside the Chamber of Deputies.

In addition to these activities, our regular meetings were, of course, a key focus, where we had lively discussions in a warm and friendly atmosphere.

There, we discussed and planned new ideas and actions.

## SUMMARY OF CLIMATE DISCUSSIONS: HOW YOUNG PEOPLE ARE GETTING INVOLVED IN LUXEMBOURG AND AROUND THE WORLD

What happens at major international climate conferences? Who speaks there and how are young people's voices represented? What does this mean for our (climate) policy and for the topic of climate change in schools in Luxembourg? We discussed these questions together!

Natasha Lepage has long been involved in the fight against the climate crisis. She began her activism at school and with move. and Youth for Climate. Last year, she was appointed youth climate delegate and took part in the 2024 Climate Conference in Baku, Azerbaijan.

The evening began with a brief presentation by Natasha, during which she shared her experiences as a youth climate delegate and her impressions of the climate conference in Baku. To our delight, other young people who had also attended the climate conference were present and shared their views with us too. The evening then became more interactive: everyone was invited to move around the room to indicate, on a scale of 1 to 10, how they would rate their own commitment, political support and the visibility of the climate crisis within their community or school. What was intended as a simple ice-breaker quickly turned into a lively discussion.



Why do the climate and the environment seem less important to young people? How can we change this, particularly in schools? Together, we discussed how to strengthen the role of environmental representatives and sustainability groups in secondary schools. At present, environmental representatives often still have fairly practical tasks, such as checking whether the heating is turned off, whether the windows are open, or whether the lights are still on when the class leaves the room. However, this could be transformed into something far more stimulating and exciting, where representatives could forge links with young activists from other schools and carry out joint actions to bring about real change in secondary schools.

## CONFERENCE: 'YOUNG PEOPLE, POLITICS, ENGAGED?' – AN OVERVIEW OF THE LATEST RESULTS FROM YOUTH RESEARCH

On 6 March 2025, the Mouvement Ecologique and move., supported by the "Zentrum für politisch Bildung" and "Jugend-rot", invited everyone to a conference on current youth research. The focus was on the 2024 Shell Youth Study for Germany and the 2024 Youth Survey in Luxembourg.

Ingo Leben, co-author of the Shell study, presented the findings of this study, entitled 'Pragmatically between disillusionment and

experience", presented the findings of this study. The central thesis: today's young people think less in terms of extremes and prefer pragmatic solutions, yet they remain interested in politics. Interest in politics has even increased in Germany. In this context, social background remains an important factor in political attitudes.



In Luxembourg, the picture is somewhat different. Interest in politics is declining; many young people feel politically unrepresented and do not know how they can make their views heard. Nevertheless, two-thirds of them would like to have a greater say, particularly at local level. As regards concerns, both countries are seeing a shift: war, economic uncertainty and violence are now at the forefront. Environmental and climate issues remain very important, but are currently taking a back seat.

Young people's engagement remains stable but is evolving. In Germany, young people continue to be highly engaged – they tend to get involved in associations, schools or self-organised projects, rather than in political parties. In Luxembourg, 41% of 16–29-year-olds are active, but political participation remains relatively low; many prefer to get involved in their immediate social circle.

In both countries, one thing is clear: young people want to be heard and play an active role – in politics, in society and in their daily lives.

## WORKSHOP: 'CIVIL SOCIETY AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IN LUXEMBOURG'

On 7 March 2025, an in-depth workshop on the theme 'Civil Society and Youth Engagement in Luxembourg' was held at the OekoZentrum Pfandell. This workshop built on the findings of the conference held the previous day and was aimed at school pupils, young people, representatives of youth organisations, youth work professionals and other stakeholders. The aim of this event was to analyse the findings of the 19th Shell Youth Study with experts, to examine the structures and practices of youth engagement in Luxembourg through this lens, and to formulate perspectives and recommendations for action.

At the start of the workshop, participants were invited to reflect on the three key questions for the morning.

- (1) What do you associate with the term 'youth engagement'?
- (2) What are your concerns when you think about young people?
- (3) What are your wishes or suggestions for strengthening youth engagement?

Subsequently, Ingo Leben, co-author of the 19th Shell Youth Study, presented the study's main findings. His presentation highlighted the following points in particular:

Young people find the best opportunities for participation within their circle of friends (84%) and within their family (72%), whereas these opportunities are severely limited at school (27%) and in politics (10%).



Engagement takes place mainly within associations, schools or self-organised projects, whilst political parties and trade unions play a minor role.

The motivations for engagement range from personal interests and social norms to the development of useful skills: being part of a group, having an influence and being able to participate actively in planning.

Emotions play a key role: fear of climate change, frustration at the lack of progress, but also a sense of gratitude, trust and belonging to a community motivate young people.

The following recommendations for action can be drawn from the workshop's findings:

- **Promoting participation:**

- o Remove structural barriers and actively involve young people in society's decision-making processes. School is a key setting for reaching young people in their daily lives and should constantly explore and expand opportunities for participation.

- o Social media can play an important role in co-decision-making if used specifically for that purpose (although they tend to be used more for one-off participation).

- **Creating sustainable structures:**

- o Strengthen cooperation between educational institutions, youth organisations and political actors.

- o Develop and establish common rules for collaboration together, in order to foster better understanding and acceptance on the part of all parties.

- o Manage expectations effectively to strike a balance between ambition and realism and avoid major disappointments. Adapt the pace of work to the group.

- **Make the commitment visible:** Increase recognition and appreciation, for example through certificates or media coverage.
- **Strengthen support services:** provide more financial resources, spaces and advice for young people.
- **Set up mentoring programmes:** experienced volunteers support newcomers and facilitate their integration.

The workshop highlighted the need to actively promote youth engagement and improve structural conditions. Close collaboration between all stakeholders is necessary to bring about lasting change. Mouvement Ecologique will continue to foster this exchange.

### “JUVENILE AWARD 2025” – 1ST PLACE IN THE “ONE FOR SCIENCE” CATEGORY

Our “Zukunftshaff” project took part in this year's SNJ Youth Award and was a resounding success! Alongside two excellent projects from the ASTM and the Luxembourg Scouts, we reached the final of the Youth Award in the “One for Science” category – and won. Congratulations to all the young people who contributed to and took part in the project, and a big thank you to the Youth Prize organisers for a successful awards evening at the Geesseknäppchen Campus, as well as to the farms that took part in this first edition!

This award has, of course, motivated us even more for the second edition, which will take place in September 2026. Over the weekend of 11–

14 September, young people will once again have the opportunity to discover the important work of farmers and gain a better understanding of how a farm operates, as well as the challenges it faces.



## MOVE. FEST 2025: MOVE YOUR TOMORROW

On 17 July, the first day of the holidays, this year's Move Fest took place once again at the Oekozen-ter. For the Move Fest, lots of young people gathered once again in Pfaffenthal to have a good time together and get to know one another – whilst enjoying delicious food and listening to music from great bands. As usual, there were also activities on the programme.

We started at 2 pm with a walk to discover aromatic herbs with Manon from 'Wèll Muert'. We explored the area around the Ökozen-ter in search of edible wild herbs and learnt fascinating facts about the different properties of the plants. After about 90 minutes, we'd gathered enough to add to our salads – including nettles, which we'd of course 'neutralised' beforehand.

Back at the Oekosoph, we decorated the terrace with our colourful garlands before the festivities began at 5 pm with a clothes swap stall, a relaxation corner and a quiz on the theme "move.your.tomorrow". Four teams took part and competed in the quiz, which featured three categories – in the end, the "Mover's" team won a voucher for the Intense Café, one of our move.approved partners.

The two live bands were one of the highlights of the evening: Emily Grogan impressed with her emotional solo performance. Then, the Ato-mic Pearls set the party alight: with covers of the Pixies, the Cranberries and many other artists, they made it clear: tonight, it was the young people who were setting the tone!

We were delighted to welcome everyone who came and helped make this move.fest another success.



## TOGETHER FOR OUR FUTURE – A MOVE.LER IN BUDAPEST

At the start of the summer holidays, a young Move.ler took part in an international meeting of Young Friends of the Earth in Budapest. Young people from various European countries gathered there to exchange views on environmental, climate and social policy issues, and to discuss challenges and solutions together.



The meeting focused on workshops, discussions and joint activities centred on climate justice, sustainable lifestyles and political engagement. Participants were able to share experiences from their respective countries, learn from one another and gain new perspectives. At the same time, the meeting provided an opportunity to forge international contacts and strengthen networks among young environmental activists.

For the participants from move., this event was a valuable opportunity to return home with new ideas and inspiration for future projects and actions. This exchange clearly demonstrated just how important international cooperation is when young people want to unite for a socially just and environmentally sustainable future.

## THIS WAS THE SECOND EDITION OF THIS FUTURE-FOCUSED EVENT

For the second time this year, the "Zukunftshaff" project was organised. This project aims to enable young people to work on a farm and offers them the opportunity to talk to farmers, ask questions and gain an insight into their work.

One of the aims of Zukunftshaff is to foster mutual understanding: young people learn about the challenges facing the farming industry, whilst farmers gain an insight into the perspective of the younger generation. Three enthusiastic participants spent a week



at Kass Haff, an educational and organic farm in Rollingen, and gained a fascinating insight into daily life on an organic farm. Work began early on Friday morning: milking the cows, mucking out the stables and preparing for the day's first tasks. Together, they headed out to the field in a tractor to harvest potatoes. This allowed them to see for themselves how food makes its way from the field to the table. The influence of soil composition on the potatoes and their harvest was also evident.

Over the weekend, other tasks were carried out – from working with the animals and sorting potatoes by hand to discussions with farmer Tom and his team. The conversations covered not only the day-to-day challenges but also the general situation of organic farms in Luxembourg.

In this way, the farmers also benefit from the project: not only do they come into contact with interested people, but they can also put forward their views more clearly and directly. Short interviews were also conducted with participants between tasks to gather their impressions. The participants' comments show just how rewarding the project has been for them:

*"I thought the Zukunftshaaf was absolutely brilliant and I'm so glad I was able to take part. Once again, a huge thank you to the organisers and to Kasshof, who gave us such a warm welcome."* – Mil

*"I highly recommend taking part in the Zukunftshaaf, as you learn so many fascinating things about ecology, nature, animals and the people who work there. It really is a wonderful experience to learn more about this field and reconnect with nature. I also met lots of lovely people."*  
-Victoria

This made Zukunftshaaf 2025 yet another enriching experience, allowing young people to discover ecological farming and giving them the opportunity to get closer to nature, animals and people, and it was certainly an enrichment for the farmers involved.

## 200 TREES IN ONE DAY FOR THE FOREST OF TOMORROW

Over a weekend in April, the move. tree-planting team was hard at work. We headed to the 'Far West', where we met Jacques Pir, a biologist and long-standing member of the Mouvement Écologique. He first explained the challenges currently facing the forest, and how it is clear that the climate crisis is already having a significant negative impact on the trees.

It can, of course, be quite depressing to see large, ancient trees – which have been able to grow undisturbed in the same spot for over a century – die in the coming months due to climate change. That's why it was all the more wonderful to be able to get stuck in ourselves.

So we rolled up our sleeves and planted rowan, larch and holm oak trees along the rows that Jacques had marked out. In total, we planted 200 trees in five hours. Of course, the pizza we ate in Pàrel in the meantime gave us a boost of energy, and by the end, the sun even came out. By late afternoon, we headed home, tired but very satisfied.





## ‘WHAT WE BURY’ ACTION

On Friday 14 November, to mark COP30, Fridays for Future called for a global climate strike, and of course, move. had to take part. But how?

After a productive meeting, we agreed on the action to take:

Because we all agreed: if the world carries on like this, we might as well organise a funeral – so why not make that the theme? It was clear that we didn’t want to bury our future, but to achieve that, we had to bury something else.

The idea of two coffins quickly emerged – as did the way we could symbolically represent these themes. All that remained was for us to get to work with paintbrushes and saws to ensure our symbolic action was aesthetically pleasing and easy to understand.

At 2.30 pm, we met up to carry our coffins, placards and the rest of the equipment to the Chamber of Deputies. Once everything was set up and the first passers-by had arrived, we were able to hand out our leaflets and strike up conversations with them.

The press were, of course, present. This gave our activist Movlerin the chance to explain the symbolic action and why it is so important for us to take a stand.

## NEW BROCHURE: FOOD FOR THE FUTURE IN YOUR SCHOOL!

Have you ever wondered what the link is between the food served in your school and the future of our planet? That is exactly the subject of move.’s new brochure, ‘Food for the Future in Your School’: how can we design our school canteen meals so that they are both delicious and healthy, whilst contributing to the protection of animals, the climate and the environment?

In early 2024, move., in collaboration with the CNEL (National Conference of Luxembourg Students), launched a survey in Luxembourg’s secondary schools. You can find the full campaign on our website. The aim of the survey was to determine whether a

‘Veggie Monday’ would also be supported in schools where it is not yet common practice.

Over 1,500 pupils from around 50 secondary schools took part in the survey, and more than half were in favour of introducing a “Veggie Monday”. Many young people really want to see things change!





In addition to the survey results, the brochure also includes an interview with Ms Monique Ludovicy, director of Restopolis, as well as suggestions aimed at encouraging pupils, school management and authorities to incorporate and discuss vegetarian and vegan diets in schools – whether in the form of a ‘Veggie Monday’ or an expanded range of vegetarian and vegan dishes.

With this booklet, we aim to promote a lively and engaging dialogue about our eating habits, both within and outside schools in Luxembourg.

Because: the future is on our plates too!

## MOVE. IN YOUR SCHOOL!

In 2025, move. once again visited several schools to explore the themes of sustainability, the environment and agriculture in greater depth with the pupils. The aim of the workshops is not only to impart knowledge, but also to encourage reflection, discussion and active participation. Here is a more detailed look at the different formats and the exciting results.

### 1. The Future of Agriculture – Lycée Michel Rodange

At the end of March, we were invited to a Year 8 class at Lycée Michel Rodange as part of ‘Fuussendeeg’. We brought along videos, background information and a range of perspectives on the future of agriculture in Luxembourg. The workshop was led by dedicated members of move., who had prepared thoroughly in advance and conducted interviews with experts.

Initially, the pupils worked in groups on different stakeholders – for example, from the worlds of agriculture, politics or civil society. They analysed interviews, read articles, carried out independent research and discussed their findings. The aim was to gain a better understanding of the respective interests, challenges and conflicts.

In the second part, the approach became more creative: the positions developed were presented in the form of role-plays, debates or media projects

. These included videos, short plays and visual presentations. The results were not only interesting in terms of content, but also surprisingly original and varied.

One participant described the workshop as a successful experience: he found it particularly interesting to gain new insights into agriculture and to exchange different perspectives with other students.

### 2. Out in the countryside – Workshop with Roger Schauls

As part of the ‘Green Days’ at Lalleng Technical College, a very special workshop took place at the end of April – outdoors, in the countryside. Accompanied by biologist Roger Schauls, a class went into the woods behind the school to explore biodiversity not only in theory but also in practice.

At various stations, the pupils explored plants, trees and ecological relationships. They learnt to distinguish between species, discovered interactions within the ecosystem and were able to experience nature with all their senses – through observation, listening and active exploration. Even unusual plants, such as the ‘disco flower’, sparked curiosity and led to lively discussions.

Although some were initially unaccustomed to leaving the classroom, an open and engaged atmosphere quickly took hold. Many realised that they rarely made use of the forest so close to the school, despite it being so easily accessible. The workshop was therefore seen as a catalyst for incorporating such outings more frequently into the school routine – by both teachers and pupils.

### 3. Visions: Luxembourg 2040

Another workshop organised as part of Green Days explored the question of how pupils imagine Luxembourg in 2040. At the heart of this discussion were personal hopes and societal challenges, as well as fears for the future.

To begin with, the group worked together to define what sustainability actually means and how it can be put into practice in everyday life. For many, this was not entirely straightforward at first, but thanks to the group discussion, numerous ideas and examples quickly emerged. Topics such as recycling, food waste, sustainable mobility and the climate crisis played a central role.

In a second step, the focus shifted to formulating positive and negative visions of the future. Whilst many wished for a fairer, more environmentally friendly and more peaceful society, clear concerns were also expressed – for example regarding war, environmental destruction or natural disasters.

The discussion on digitalisation in schools was particularly lively. Topics such as tablets and digital media gave rise to differing opinions and highlighted just how much this issue shapes pupils’ daily lives.

Although it was initially difficult for some to participate actively in the discussions, most got involved with great enthusiasm by the end. The group work and subsequent presentations showed just how many ideas, opinions and visions pupils have, if given the space to express them.





# 02

## On the front line, day after day

Alongside major political issues at national level, the work of the Mouvement Écologique continues to be characterised by a constant commitment to everyday life – including directly on the ground.

Mouvement Écologique informs, raises awareness, motivates people to get actively involved, advises citizens and contributes to concrete projects at local level.

A key priority remains strong communication and ongoing dialogue with members and the general public, in order to advance the goals of sustainable development and enable active participation in societal debates.

## DIVERSE COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

Members and stakeholders are kept constantly informed of the Mouvement Écologique's activities and positions.

An important tool in this regard is the members' magazine **Kéisecker-info**, which was published 19 times in 2025. It continues to provide comprehensive information on the activities, positions, events and developments of the Mouvement Écologique.

The Mouvement Écologique **website**, [www.meco.lu](http://www.meco.lu), also remains an indispensable communication tool: all relevant documents, statements and reports are published there in three languages (**DE/FR/EN**) and are continuously updated.

The weekly **e-newsletter** reached an ever-growing number of subscribers in 2025 and offers a concise overview of the activities of the Mouvement Écologique, move and the Oekozer Pafendall.

A **social media** presence is also a key part of our communications work. Following the successful relaunch of the Facebook page in 2024 (it had been hacked in 2024), its audience stabilised further and grew steadily in 2025. Similarly, the Instagram account now has over 2,000 followers and is reaching an increasingly younger audience.

**Videos of events** are also shared on YouTube. The channel recorded a significantly higher audience in 2025.

In 2025, a **podcast series** entitled '**Ouerestëppler**' was also launched: the first episodes were a great success, but consistency still needs to be improved. For example, the topics '*The state of Luxembourg's forests*' and '*Young people's attitudes*' were very well received and play a significant role in reaching new target groups and presenting complex content in an accessible way.

Furthermore, in 2025, the creation of "**Reels**", specifically designed for social media, was launched. These are viewed very frequently and present the themes and actions of the Mouvement Écologique in an accessible and engaging way.

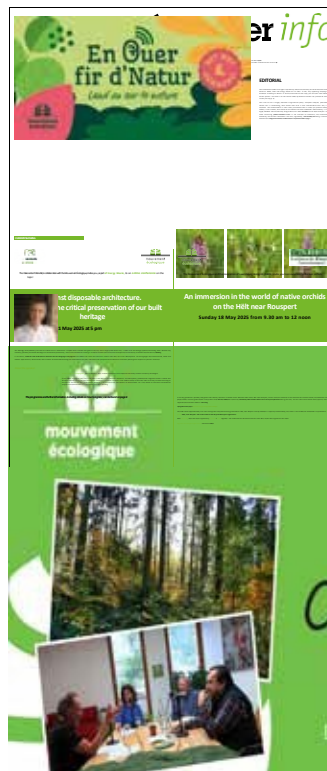
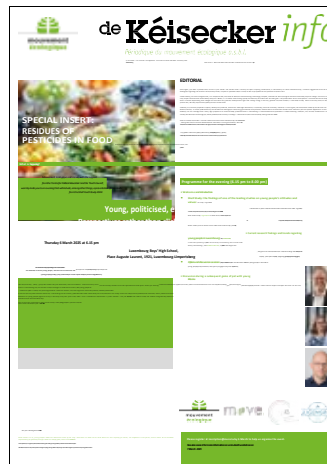
### Lobbying – with positions based on professional expertise

The positions developed by the working groups, regional bodies and the board of directors also made a significant contribution in 2025 to highlighting important issues, opening up future prospects and bringing scientific facts to the fore. They raise awareness among stakeholders and citizens and help to influence political and administrative decisions.

As in previous years, the position papers were distributed well beyond the membership to politicians, local authorities, government departments, professional bodies and interested parties, in order to maximise their impact.

Thanks to the commitment of many members who contribute their know-how and expertise, it is possible to produce well-founded and concrete documents that bring together different perspectives. As the topics become increasingly complex, this certainly presents a challenge.

Often, the contributions also led to direct discussions with ministries and other relevant stakeholders in 2025. In terms of content, the dossiers covered issues ranging from agricultural and energy policy, nature and water conservation, and aspects of local development, to pan-European issues such as EU legislation on biodiversity and climate.



### IN DIALOGUE WITH MEMBERS

Engagement with members remained at the heart of our work in 2025. The active involvement of volunteer members – whether on the Board of Directors, in working groups, in regional branches or at various events – is of paramount importance for an organisation such as Mouvement Écologique.

Conferences, visits, walks, the Oekofest, working group meetings, etc. provide opportunities for exchange and allow members to contribute their views and experiences. On several occasions, members were also actively encouraged to share their experiences and thus contribute to the development of the Mouvement Écologique's positions.



To familiarise new members with how the Mouvement Écologique operates and to encourage dialogue, informal meetings were once again organised in 2025, during which the organisation's methods and priorities were discussed. These forums are always very enriching and stimulating.

Mouvement Écologique's policy on communication and dialogue therefore continues to be based on diversity, openness and the involvement of everyone interested in a sustainable future.

Social evenings featuring music, cabaret or simply a chance to socialise are also part of our activities.

## REFORM OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION 2025

Due to the new 'non-profit organisation law', Mouvement Écologique also had to reform its statutes, which required a considerable amount of work. The Board of Directors, however, set about this task with determination, so that at an extraordinary congress in May/June, these statutes were adopted unanimously – with one abstention –

## CONSTRUCTIVE COOPERATION WITHIN GOVERNMENT BODIES

At national level, Mouvement Écologique was also represented in 2025 within numerous national advisory bodies in order to contribute its ideas and proposals.

As in previous years, it is regrettable to note that the functioning and impact of these bodies vary greatly. Their working methods and their significance must, to some extent, be called into question.

Regional representatives are also involved in various local organisations and cooperatives, notably municipal advisory committees or regional thematic platforms.

Mouvement Ecologique is currently represented, amongst others, on the following bodies: the 'myenergy' advisory committee, the 'Higher Council for Nature', the 'Higher Council for Spatial Planning', the 'Observatory of the Natural Environment', the 'Higher Council for Hunting', the 'Support Committee for Listed Establishments', the 'Airport Advisory Committee', the 'Support Group' for the construction of the modern tramway, the government working group on 'Soft Mobility', the 'Climate Platform'

*Climate Platform'*, etc. It is also represented in more ad hoc and informal working groups, such as those dedicated to promoting street trees or the jury for the 'More Nature in Our Towns and Villages' call for projects.

Furthermore, the Movement is represented on the board of directors of 'Etika'. On the 'My Agriculture' and Le Mouvement Écologique also participates in the "Action Committee Against Nuclear Power" and the civil society alliance Vočo.

## A SPACE FOR CITIZENS

The Ecological Movement has always served as a point of contact for questions and suggestions from citizens and interested stakeholders. The Ecological Movement receives numerous enquiries every day. These concern, for example, information on various laws and procedures, background information on local authority projects, and much more.

It is worth noting that citizens would become more involved in their local community if this were desired and encouraged by the authorities. This highlights just how important effective **local civic participation** is, as it is precisely at this level that people could achieve a great deal through their social interactions if local authorities were to support citizens' projects and ideas more actively, or involve them in projects that are more open to debate.

In many cases, the motto is: helping **people to help themselves**. Given its limited resources, the Mouvement Ecologique cannot always 'step in' and become actively involved in every case. It is important that those affected take action themselves at a local level. Mouvement Ecologique provides advice, outlines the legal framework, helps interpret complex information and, where necessary, directs people to the relevant authorities.

If Mouvement Ecologique does not itself possess the necessary expertise, it does its best to refer those affected to the relevant authorities. At the same time, it has once again become clear that the state's information structures are often inadequate. More systematic public information, clearly defined points of contact and a modern freedom of information act would be essential to facilitate engagement.

Mouvement Ecologique will continue to strive in future to fulfil its **advisory and information role** and to address particularly relevant issues as proactively as possible.



# 03

**A variety of**

**concrete projects!**

Mouvement Ecologique provides sound expert advice. At the same time, it implements numerous stimulating and inspiring initiatives and projects.

The focus is on experience, participation and practical advice.

## VEGGIETABLE – DISCOVER NEW RECIPES EVERY WEEK

For many years, the Mouvement Ecologique has been committed to promoting healthy eating, with a particular focus on vegetarian and vegan diets, as well as organic produce. An eco-friendly lifestyle is thus combined with culinary enjoyment.

Lydie Philippy's veggieTable.lu platform, where recipes are regularly published, remains a central feature. As the author of the 'Natierlech genéissen' cookbooks published by the Mouvement Écologique, she uses her creativity and experience to inspire people to cook with seasonal and regional organic produce. Every week, visitors to the website can discover a new recipe, inviting them to explore and try out for themselves the diversity of vegetarian and vegan cuisine.



## OEKOTOPTEN – PRACTICAL TIPS!

The Oekotopten.lu project, run by the Oekozenner Pafendall in collaboration with the Mouvement Écologique and with the support of the Ministry of the Environment, offers consumers very practical advice. The project is based on an independent online guide that lists the most energy-efficient and environmentally friendly products. Increasingly, interested users will also find practical guides on Oekotopten for everyday life, for example on the reparability of appliances, etc. It also provides practical advice on when a repair is worth it, as well as lists of the most easily repairable smartphones on the Luxembourg market.

Furthermore, Oekotopten.lu provides information on local authorities offering grants for the purchase of energy-efficient household appliances, electric bikes etc. The website, redesigned in 2024 and optimised for smartphone use, continued to be maintained and its content updated on an ongoing basis in 2025. Thanks to these regular updates to the lists of recommendations, it makes a valuable contribution to sustainable development. In addition, Oekotopten.lu provides information on local authorities offering grants for the purchase of energy-efficient household appliances and electric bikes.

The website, which was revamped in 2024 and optimised for use on smartphones, continued to be maintained and its content updated on an ongoing basis in 2025. Thanks to these regular updates to the recommendation lists, Oekotopten.lu makes a significant contribution to responsible consumption and facilitates environmentally friendly purchasing decisions in everyday life.

## GREAT INTEREST IN RENOVATION DURING ENERGY WEEKS

This year's Energy Weeks, organised by the Oekozenner Pafendall and the Mouvement Ecologique, took place under the motto '**Preserving buildings rather than demolishing them – a call for our built future**'.

The opening event was an online conference entitled "*Against Disposable Architecture*", during which architect and building historian Vittorio Magnago Lampugnani highlighted the social, ecological and urban planning consequences of demolition and demonstrated what a culture of sustainable building might look like.

Five tours of residential buildings were then organised, during which exemplary renovation and regeneration projects were presented. These projects demonstrated how existing buildings can be repurposed in a resource-efficient manner and modernised to improve their energy efficiency, whilst remaining a defining feature of their neighbourhood.

Experts and members of the public took the opportunity to exchange practical solutions and learn about the fundamental principles to be considered during repurposing and renovation to ensure they are as climate- and environmentally-friendly as possible.

The Energy Weeks thus sent a clear signal against throwaway architecture and highlighted the importance of the existing building stock in achieving climate targets.



## “NO ADVERTISING, PLEASE” - THE ISSUE REMAINS RELEVANT

For over 35 years, Mouvement Ecologique has been campaigning against unwanted advertising in letterboxes with its **“No advertising, please”** initiative. The distinctive yellow sticker, featuring an elephant, has played a significant role in the paper savings achieved during this period.

With the new Waste Act of January 2024, the distribution of ‘junk mail’ in letterboxes has been reorganised: adverts may only be distributed in letterboxes explicitly marked with the corresponding sticker. Advertising is prohibited in all other letterboxes.

In practice, the implementation of the law initially led to a rather chaotic situation. From 2024 onwards, the Mouvement Écologique received numerous complaints from citizens and forwarded them, along with a list of demands, to the relevant ministry.



In 2025, the issue remained topical: citizens continued to report infringements. The feedback received helped to raise awareness among the authorities and improve the enforcement of legal provisions. In 2025, according to information from the Mouvement Ecologique, the administration also took legal action against infringements of the law.

However, two key problems remain:

- the blurred distinction between advertising and ‘information’,
- as well as the increase in advertising supplements in daily newspapers.

Mouvement Écologique will continue to campaign for improvements to the legal framework and its implementation, and will seek to engage in dialogue with those responsible.

## YOUR EXPERIENCE AND OPINION ARE ESSENTIAL!

Mouvement Écologique regularly draws on the knowledge, experience and commitment of its members and interested citizens. This is particularly true when it comes to documenting abuses, gathering suggestions for improvement or receiving concrete feedback on legislative changes.

Feedback from members forms an important basis for many of our positions and actions, and helps to ground Mouvement Ecologique’s work in the reality and needs of the population.

## ON THE MOVE WITH ME - NATURE CONSERVATION IN PRACTICE

In 2025, the Mouvement Écologique also organised numerous events on nature and landscape conservation, partly in collaboration with the regional branches: Excursions, hikes and themed walks provided an opportunity to discover ecological connections in the field and learn about various projects – from the restoration of wetlands and watercourses to natural and cultural landscapes threatened by agriculture, urbanisation or infrastructure projects.





### **FIX IT! REPAIR. REUSE. USE - REPAIR INSTEAD OF THROWING AWAY**

The **'fixit! Repair. Borrow. Use.'** campaign, supported by Mouvement Écologique and its partner Oekozerter Pafendall with the backing of the Ministry of the Environment, continued in 2025.

Through practical advice and information materials, the campaign encourages repair, reuse and sharing, thereby promoting a community-based economy. The aim is to conserve resources, challenge consumption patterns and highlight alternative economic models.

### **THE OEKOSOPH: GOODBYE TO LOU – A NEW START FOR ELISABETH AND THE GRÉGORY**

In 2025, the Oekosoph remained an important meeting place, combining enjoyment with sustainability. Until the end of October, it continued to be run by Lou Steichen, who left her mark on the Oekosoph through her cooking and personal style for many years. With her departure into a well-deserved retirement, an era has come to an end. The Mouvement Ecologique sincerely thanks her for her long-standing commitment and for the special, friendly atmosphere she created.

In 2025, the search for new managers began, and it was a success!

In November, the Oekosoph premises were refurbished and the technical equipment modernised in preparation for the reopening. From 6 January 2026, Elisabete and Grégory will take over and continue the concept in this familiar and warm atmosphere: the focus will remain on organic dishes, preferably sourced locally, with a strong emphasis on vegetarian and vegan cuisine.

The new feature is that there will once again be a set menu (rather than mainly a buffet), and that the Oekosoph will be open more regularly, for both lunch and dinner. The Oekosoph thus remains a place where culinary pleasure, sustainability and conviviality come together – now with a new team building on the successful work of recent years.





# 04

## Conferences, discussions information

It is particularly important for the Mouvement Ecologique to promote forward-looking ideas and analyses, to share specialist knowledge, to bring people together, to exchange views and to develop shared perspectives through conferences and seminars (and the 'Patt' that follows) – and perhaps to provide answers to the big questions of the future.

In 2025, numerous conferences and visits were once again organised, attracting keen interest. The various events throughout the year covered a wide range of topics, from the socio-ecological transition and advances in neuroscience to quiz nights and walks.

The youth organisation move. was also very active in 2025.

Most events were translated into French, and increasingly into English.

Many events were recorded on video. They are available on YouTube under the name Mouvement Ecologique (@mouveco).

**INVITATION**

**mouvement écologique**

Mouvement Ecologique and OekoZenter Pafendall, with the support of the Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, invite you to a seminar on the transformation of recycling into resource centres.

**Towards recycling and resource recovery centres: experiences and ideas from the practice of municipalities and inter-municipal associations**

Thursday 30 October 2025 from 2.00 pm to 5.30 pm at the Prince Henri Cultural Centre, 3 Rte de Diekirch, 7220 Walferdange



This seminar is aimed at local elected representatives and members of inter-municipal associations, project managers and technicians in the field of waste management, municipal services, stakeholders in the social sector, people involved at the local level, as well as interested members of the public.

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## SUMMARY OF EVENTS IN 2025

- **14 January 2025 – “Emotionally charged discussions – an opportunity to shape the future and drive transformation?”** Online conference with Prof. Dr Maren Urner on the influence of emotions on decision-making in times of crisis.
- **5 February 2025 – Is society failing in the fight against climate change? What concrete conclusions can be drawn?** Lecture with Prof. Jens Beckert, Director of the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies and Professor of Sociology in Cologne.
- **12 February 2025 – “Stop demolition – Let’s promote the renovation and conversion of buildings”** Conference followed by a panel discussion at the Tramsschapp Cultural Centre, in collaboration with numerous partner organisations from the fields of architecture, heritage conservation and culture.
- **6 March 2025 – “Young, politicised, engaged?”** Presentation of the 2024 Shell Youth Study and the results of recent research on young people in Luxembourg, at the Lycée de Garçons de Luxembourg.
- **07.03.2025 – “Civil society and youth engagement”:** in-depth workshop at the OekoZenter Pafendall with experts in youth research.
- **26 March 2025 – Mouvement Ecologique 2025 Congress.** General Assembly at the OekoZenter Pafendall, followed by a discussion with the Minister for the Economy and Energy, Lex Delles.
- **13 April 2025 – ‘Birdsong’ excursion:** nature walk in Rollingen, near Mersch, to discover the songs of native birds.
- **23 April 2025 – “New visions for European agricultural policy?”** Conference at the OekoZenter Pafendall with Faustine Bas-Defossez (European Environmental Bureau) on the future prospects of agricultural policy.
- **27 April 2025 – Hike in the Haard leisure area.** Guided tour of the Mersch region and its surroundings.
- **6 May 2025 – “How much is enough?”** Lecture with Dr Elisabeth Dütschke on the role of lifestyle in socio-ecological transformation.
- **18 May 2025 – Orchid-spotting excursion on the Hält near Rosport.** Nature walk to discover native orchid species.
- **21 May 2025 – Online lecture: “Against disposable architecture”.** Opening lecture of Energy Weeks with Professor Vittorio Magnago Lampugnani on architectural culture and the preservation of existing buildings.



- **21 May–14 June 2025 – Energy Weeks 2025:** an online conference and five visits to exemplary renovation and conversion projects under the motto ‘Preserving buildings rather than demolishing them’.
- **19 June 2025 – Walk and community barbecue in Eecherfeld:** discover innovative nature projects on the outskirts of Luxembourg City.
- **21 June 2025 – Visit to the Eechler vegetable gardens:** an excursion to the Mersch area to discover the local vegetable gardens.
- **25 June 2025 – Extraordinary General Meeting** of members at the Oekozenner Pafendall.
- **26 June 2025 – Lecture ‘The fatal consequences of an EU-Mercosur agreement’** at the Oekozenner Pafendall with a Brazilian scientist.
- **16 October 2025 – Quiz night at the Oekosoph:** a convivial evening with paella and a themed quiz at the Oekozenner Pafendall.
- **15 November 2025 – Practical workshop “Greening our façades”:** a practical workshop at the Oekozenner Pafendall on greening façades.
- **13 November 2025 – Lecture “PFAS: a worrying food contamination”** with Kildine Le Proux de La Rivière from Générations Futures on “forever chemicals”.
- **23 November 2025 – Walk “The Eischtal landscape speaks”:** guided walk in the Mersch region and its surroundings.
- **30 October 2025 – “From recycling to the resource centre”:** specialist seminar at the Prince Henri Centre in Walferdange featuring examples of best practice from local authorities and associations (Germany and Luxembourg).
- **4 December 2025 – “Heating without gas or oil – where will tomorrow’s heat come from?”** Online conference on the energy transition with Raphael Gruseck.





Despite constant rain throughout the day, Oekofest 2025 was a great success. Many visitors were not put off by the weather and made their way to Pfaffenthal.

The varied programme and the chance to catch up after the summer holidays created a fantastic atmosphere.

## OEKOFEST 2025: A HUGE SUCCESS DESPITE NON-STOP RAIN

Although the weather was anything but kind this year – it rained all day and, to make matters worse, the cable car leading to the upper town was out of service – the mood at Oekofest 2025 remained upbeat. Despite these conditions, many visitors still made their way to Pfaffenthal and contributed to the festival’s resounding success.

Oekofest was launched to a packed house at ‘Sang a Klang’ with an **official political address** by the president of the Mouvement Ecologique, Blanche Weber. In her speech, she addressed, among other things, current developments at EU level and in Luxembourg. The festival then continued with the official opening of the The ‘Patt’ was officially inaugurated.

As in previous years, many people took the opportunity to catch up with friends and acquaintances, exchange ideas and spend time together. **The atmosphere** in the various squares and streets of Pfaffenthal was warm and lively, despite the weather.

**The musical entertainment** was excellent, the guided tours very informative, and the stalls offered a wide variety of information as well as attractive products. Several exhibitors noted that, although sales had fallen slightly compared to the previous year, the atmosphere was exceptionally positive. The regional cuisine, often vegan or vegetarian, offered at the food stalls was also particularly well received.

As every year, the **children’s activities** were a huge success. The face-painting stand attracted many visitors, and the storytelling session was moved indoors at the last minute, much to the delight of young and old alike. And of course, Georges Christen once again captivated many visitors.

Once again in 2025, it became clear that Oekofest remains an important **forum** for dialogue within **civil society** and among citizens who are interested in and committed to the environment.

A **big thank you** to everyone who helped organise and make the festival a success, to those who attended the opening ceremony, and to the many visitors. And of course, we welcome all your suggestions for Oekofest 2026.





# 06

## International and

## EU

### **ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT - COMMITMENT BEYOND LUXEMBOURG**

Key decisions on sustainable development are taken at European and international level. It is therefore all the more important to actively monitor these developments and get involved.

Thanks to its European and international network, Mouvement Ecologique is able to do so in a coherent manner. At a time when deregulation is advancing at a dramatic pace, this is more important than ever.



## GLOBAL SOLIDARITY

Mouvement Écologique is a member of several global and European alliances. This membership is of paramount importance, as it is not possible for a national organisation such as Mouvement Écologique to regularly take the initiative on international and/or EU-level issues. The information and preparatory work provided by partner organisations are therefore crucial, enabling Mouvement Écologique to take action.

Furthermore, these partnerships enable joint actions to be carried out. A single organisation cannot achieve much at European level, but together they are stronger. Consequently, the Mouvement Écologique's involvement, particularly at European level, continues to grow, and it also actively contributes to global campaigns launched by partner organisations.

On key European issues, such as deregulation, pesticides, climate protection, etc., Mouvement Écologique has been active – particularly within the joint network at European level. This has mainly taken place within the framework of *'Friends of the Earth'*, of which Mouvement Écologique is the Luxembourg section, as well as in projects of the *European Environmental Bureau* (EEB).

Positions have been supported on several occasions, and letters from our European partner organisations on issues related to sustainable development have been sent to the relevant ministers; positions have been forwarded to MEPs; or European petitions have been co-signed.

These extensive *'Friends of the Earth'* networks across Europe and at the international level, as well as those of the *'European Environmental Bureau'*, are encouraging.

They show that citizens across Europe are committed to the same ideals.

As a member of CAN Europe, another pan-European network of organisations campaigning for climate protection, the Mouvement Écologique also regularly attends its general assemblies, keeps abreast of current developments at EU level, helps draft letters addressed to policy-makers, takes part in workshops and supports pan-European projects.

Mouvement Écologique is also a member of PAN (*Pesticide Action Network*) in order to run an even more coherent campaign against the use of pesticides.

Mouvement Écologique is also a member of the *'Right to Repair Network'*, a European network (which campaigns for the right to repair), as well as the German alliance *'Runder Tisch Reparatur'*.

## INFORMATION ON PEOPLE'S GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

For years, reports from FoE member organisations have been regularly published in the *'Kéisecker info'* and on the Mouvement Écologique website.

These articles aim to show that all over the world, people are campaigning for a better and fairer world – even in countries where such a commitment is far more difficult than in Luxembourg. At the same time, global solidarity is a source of inspiration!

## MERCOSUR FREE TRADE AGREEMENT: THE RESISTANCE CONTINUES

In 2025, resistance against the controversial Mercosur agreement – the agreement between the South American states and Europe – continued.

- **Open letter to the government: 'Put an end to this harmful free trade agreement'**

Primarily for geopolitical reasons, governments came out in favour of this agreement in 2025, including those that had been extremely sceptical of it until recently. The Luxembourg government also appeared to have changed its position in 2025.

ASTM, Forum Politique (an alliance of development organisations), Greenpeace Luxembourg and the Mouvement Écologique have called on the relevant ministers, in an open letter, to clearly reject this agreement, which encourages deforestation, human rights violations, exploitation, etc.

All the more so as the EU-Mercosur agreement, according to international experts, is expected to bring only very limited economic benefits, but would cause significant social, ecological and economic damage



(major problems: overproduction of export-oriented monocultures in the Global South, the undermining of small-scale farming systems, accelerated deforestation, etc.).

The agreement also reinforces a hierarchical trade dynamic between industrialised countries and commodity-exporting countries and exacerbates existing inequalities.

The signatory organisations have therefore called for a clear rejection of the agreement and for a trade policy that prioritises quality standards, small-scale agriculture, human rights and sustainable and fair development.

- **Conference: 'The fatal consequences of an "EU-Mercosur" trade agreement: the perspective of a Brazilian scientist'**

On 26 June 2025, Professor Antônio Inácio Andrioli, a Brazilian agronomist and philosopher, spoke at a conference organised by the Mouvement Écologique and ASTM on the social and ecological consequences of the planned EU-Mercosur agreement. He clearly warned that this agreement primarily serves the interests of large corporations and puts small farmers, indigenous peoples and environmental defenders at risk.

During the discussion, it became clear that large landowners in the Mercosur states wield considerable political influence, whilst local markets and peasant structures are being weakened. Andrioli called for a trade policy based on solidarity, fair partnerships and ecological responsibility, and spoke out clearly against the ratification of the agreement in its current form.

In conclusion, it was emphasised that this agreement not only poses ecological risks but also exacerbates structural inequalities. Even if European farmers would also face

to increased competition and problematic imports, it is the Mercosur states themselves that will suffer the most dramatic consequences: continued deforestation, increased use of pesticides, concentration of land ownership in the hands of a handful of players, and social upheaval.

## ARBITRATION COURTS ALSO THREATEN EUROPE'S CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL GOALS!

Luxembourg is currently being sued for \$16 billion by Russian oligarch Mikhail Fridman because our country froze his assets as part of EU sanctions following Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

This case illustrates a fundamental and far-reaching problem: thanks to so-called investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) mechanisms, enshrined in over 1,000 bilateral investment treaties, foreign investors can bypass national courts and sue governments for damages before private arbitration tribunals.

The Fridman case is not an isolated incident: *Friends of the Earth* and its partner organisations have demonstrated, using ten current case studies from the EU, how ISDS is also being used to challenge national security measures, windfall taxes or environmental decisions handed down by national courts. This mechanism places private profits above democracy, social and environmental protection, thereby undermining the ability of the EU and its Member States to govern sovereignly.

Le Mouvement Écologique and a broad coalition of European organisations are therefore calling for the systematic termination of these obsolete agreements and the abolition of these problematic tribunals, and have submitted a dossier containing 10 illustrative problematic cases, including the Fridman case.



## EU-WIDE INITIATIVES AND CAMPAIGNS: AGAINST REGULATORY DOWNSIZING

Numerous pan-European initiatives have been supported:

- **#HandsOffNature campaign:** in September 2025, MecO, in collaboration with natur&ëmwelt, hundreds of NGOs and over 65,000 European citizens, called for EU environmental legislation not to be weakened. The aim was to maintain existing protection measures for nature, forests and water conservation, including the EU Deforestation Regulation, the Water Framework Directive, the Habitats Directive and the Nature Restoration Law. Citizens were able to share their views directly via the European Commission’s platform. The #handsoff campaign will also continue in 2026 with various actions.
- **European Soil Act (Soil Monitoring Act):** in October, MecO, in collaboration with 50 other NGOs, campaigned for an EU-wide law to protect and restore degraded soil. The European Parliament adopted this law on 23 October 2025.
- **Uneven food standards within the EU:** in collaboration with other organisations, MecO highlighted the inequalities between pesticide standards on imports and called for stricter limits on banned substances.
- **Do not downgrade the wolf’s protection status:** in 2025, Mouvement Ecologique, alongside more than 200 European environmental organisations, signed a letter addressed to all EU environment ministers demanding that the wolf’s protection status not be downgraded at national level. This was despite the EU having recently downgraded the wolf from ‘strictly protected’ to ‘protected’. The organisations emphasised that this decision contradicts scientific evidence, as the wolf continues to be in an unfavourable conservation status in six of the EU’s seven biogeographical regions. The Court of Justice of the European Union had also confirmed in June 2025 that each Member State must independently ensure a favourable conservation status. Instead of calls for culling motivated by political considerations, the NGOs advocated for cooperative coexistence strategies – including livestock protection, preventive measures and fair compensation schemes. The wolf, as a conservation success story and an important element of European biodiversity, should continue to be protected in Luxembourg on the basis of scientific data.



These initiatives demonstrate the Mouvement Écologique’s ongoing commitment to environmental and health protection, biodiversity and sustainable agriculture, both at national and EU level.

## FINANCIAL PROBLEMS AT ‘FRIENDS OF THE EARTH INTERNATIONAL’ - AND SOLIDARITY MATTERS!

Following a significant reduction in public funding for environmental NGOs at both European and international levels, *Friends of the Earth International*, the global alliance of which Mouvement Écologique is a member, has found itself in a very difficult financial situation.

These cuts considerably weaken the functioning and voice of civil society, as well as engagement at the international and European levels (and also, to some extent, within Member States). The importance of these organisations is paramount, especially at a time when massive setbacks in the environmental field are anticipated and the influence of economic lobbies continues to grow.

As the coordinator of national ‘*Friends of the Earth*’ organisations worldwide, FOE International plays a central role in supporting initiatives for climate action and social justice in the Global South. The removal of co-financing opportunities for programmes in these countries has triggered a dramatic chain reaction for many national organisations.

On 30 June, an extraordinary general meeting was held to find a joint solution to maintain operations and continue funding international programmes. Significant budget cuts, an extraordinary drawdown of reserves and, in part, a reorganisation were decided upon. Whilst retaining a solid core business, *Friends of the Earth* is placing greater emphasis on fundraising in order to consolidate its finances.

As the Luxembourg representative of ‘*Friends of the Earth*’, the Mouvement Ecologique took part in this general meeting and expressed its solidarity with the parent organisation.

## MECO SUPPORTS THE DEMANDS FOR SUSTAINABLE FRAMEWORKS FOR AI

The application of artificial intelligence (AI) is becoming widespread across all sectors, particularly in the fields of science and business. These technologies are presented as the way forward, but they are already having a significant impact in terms of  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions as well as water and electricity consumption. This is why MECO supports CAN Europe’s demands: no fossil fuels, targeted restrictions on use to relieve pressure on networks, sustainable supply chains with equitable participation, and greater transparency in the use of AI.



## RESISTANCE AGAINST THE 'WEAKENING' OF EUROPEAN CLIMATE POLICY

The pressure for 'deregulation' in Brussels is considerable. Unfortunately, this masks a challenge to key objectives aimed at making the EU more sustainable.

In addition to the 'Omnibus' package, which aimed to reduce the responsibility of large companies in their supply chains (CSDD), biodiversity and climate targets are also under threat.

For example, new instruments are under discussion, supposedly designed to help achieve these objectives – without, however, decarbonising the European economy. These include the integration of CO<sub>2</sub> certificates from non-EU countries or carbon capture technologies that are still very immature. It is essential to maintain an ambitious and determined European climate policy.

In this context, MECO supports the measures initiated by its partner organisation CAN Europe: the signing of a letter prepared by CAN Europe addressed to the European Commission, and the joint drafting of a specific letter with ASTM addressed to the Minister for the Environment, Serge Wilmes.

## INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT

Le Mouvement Ecologique has expressed its solidarity with global initiatives led by partner organisations in numerous letters.

For example, in a letter addressed to the financial institutions involved in the Mozambique LNG project. In this letter, numerous civil society organisations make serious allegations of human rights violations that occurred in late 2024 around a gas extraction facility.

However, as the financial institutions have not yet taken a public stance on the alleged massacre of civilians, the coalition of 126 civil society organisations, including the Mouvement Ecologique, reiterated its call in 2025 for an independent international investigation to clarify the circumstances of this alleged massacre, as well as the suspension of support for the Mozambique LNG project until the results of this investigation are available.

## UN CONFERENCE ON BIODIVERSITY: LUXEMBOURG MUST FINALLY ASSUME ITS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PRESERVATION OF OUR LIFE-SUPPORT SYSTEM!

In October 2024, the 16th United Nations Conference on Biodiversity of the Convention on Biological Diversity was held in Cali, Colombia. In the run-up to the event, Mouvement Écologique had set out its recommendations and, in a press release, had called on the Luxembourg government and, in particular, the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Serge Wilmes, to fulfil their responsibilities regarding biodiversity conservation in Luxembourg.

For Mouvement Écologique, it was extremely strange that, just one month before this international conference on biodiversity, EU Member States had voted in favour of downgrading the wolf's protection status – and that Luxembourg was among those supporting this measure. This therefore seems almost schizophrenic, given that at the World Conference on Biodiversity, countries in the Global South are being urged to redouble their efforts to protect their large carnivores...

It therefore seems easier to preach water whilst drinking wine: wealthy Luxembourg itself has for years failed to meet its own targets aimed at curbing the rapid loss of biodiversity – the very issue on which we are trying to convince other countries... In October, there was no indication that the Minister for Biodiversity himself would take responsibility here at home. Instead of taking clear measures to strengthen nature conservation, he even supported the weakening of the Nature Conservation Act as part of the government's 'Build More and Faster' project (for our campaign on this issue, see the separate chapter).

Mouvement Ecologique's conclusion is therefore as follows: conferences such as the one on global biodiversity are important. But political credibility – and success in biodiversity protection – are achieved above all through concrete action in one's own country. This is where Minister Wilmes is finally put to the test, to act consistently in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture.



## The Mecoskop

# the 2023–2028 legislative

**A barometer for assessing the implementation of the government's promises arising from the coalition agreement**

Two years into the new legislative term, Mouvement Ecologique has updated and refined its analytical tool, the Mecoskop.

The aim remains to verify, in a fully transparent manner, whether the government is effectively implementing the sustainable development objectives set out in the coalition agreement.



## THE MECOSCOPE – A CRITICAL AND CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH TO THE GOVERNMENT – ALL EYES ARE ON IT

The fundamental question is:

**Is the government implementing what it announced in its government programme?**

The Mecoskop makes this clear. It shows the extent to which the government has made progress – or not – in key areas of sustainable development. At the same time, the Mecoskop aims to encourage ministries to tackle the promised measures with the necessary determination.

For this analysis, **77 key government commitments** in the field of 'sustainable development' were selected – exclusively those that Mouvement Ecologique is actively addressing or which are particularly relevant from a sustainability perspective.

### HOW DOES THE MECOSKOP WORK?

All pledges are assessed as objectively as possible.

For clarity, four stages of progress are distinguished, as already indicated in the first report:

1. **not yet started**
2. **underway**
3. **in the process of being implemented**
4. **implemented**

Photos of the responsible ministers also make it possible to clearly identify the relevant ministry.

Where possible, the **quality of implementation** is also assessed: it may be the case that the measures have been taken into account, but that their implementation is problematic or insufficient from the Mouvement Ecologique's point of view.

The Mecoskop is updated **continuously, at least every six months**, to reflect actual progress.

### Review of the government's first few years

The analysis paints a mixed picture, but one that is fundamentally very negative:

In some policy areas, progress was evident, whilst in others there has been virtually no progress. In December 2025, the situation was as follows:

- 38 of the promises made have not been kept (even though nearly half of the legislative term has already passed!);

38 are at an initial stage of implementation;

- only one is at an advanced stage of implementation;
- no measure has been fully implemented.

The Mouvement Ecologique then carried out a detailed analysis of the government's work during the first years of the legislative term, drawing in particular on the Mecoskop.

Conclusion: it must unfortunately be noted that this government is currently not living up to its own ambitions. It is not (yet) sufficiently implementing, in the field of sustainable development, what it promised its electorate.

The key issues:

1. A major shortcoming: the government's problematic approach to current social and environmental challenges
2. Short- and medium-term economic interests are the main focus – a lack of ecological understanding
3. The goals of preserving the foundations of life and building a positive future will not be achieved through purely piecemeal measures.
4. A Ministry for the Environment, Biodiversity and Climate with little political clout – a lack of integration of ecological issues into sectoral ministries
5. Some dialogue with civil society exists – but a genuine, solution-oriented exchange requires more
6. Under the pretext of reducing bureaucracy: deregulation – in Luxembourg and at EU level.

In 2026, the Mecoskop will resume its role and hold the government to account!

**The Mecoskop is available in German, French and English.**



# 08

## For a dynamic democracy

A vibrant democracy – offering citizens ample opportunities for information and participation – is the very foundation of social cohesion.

If we want to make our society and our economic system more sustainable, a ‘cultural’ shift is also necessary.

We must move away from consumerism and a culture of competition towards cooperation and social justice.

This is why a commitment to a diverse culture of debate and decision-making is of particular importance when working towards a sustainable society.

## EDUCATION: A PILLAR OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

At the start of the year, Mouvement Ecologique, in collaboration with move., organised a fascinating information evening on youth research.

The findings of *the Shell Study*, one of the leading surveys on young people's attitudes and values, were presented there. This study, regarded as a benchmark in youth research, has been conducted since 1953. Ingo Leven, head of the 'Family, Education, Civil Society' research department at the Verian research institute (formerly Kantar Public) and co-author of the 19th Shell Youth Study, presented the findings.

Dr Caroline Residori, a youth researcher at the University of Luxembourg and co-author of *the 'Survey on Youth in Luxembourg'*, along with Andreas Heinen, a qualified sociologist and youth researcher, provided an overview of the findings and current developments in research concerning the socio-political role of young people in Luxembourg.

It was a very stimulating evening, attended by a mixed audience of adults and young people. There was a consensus on the need to explore the evening's findings in greater depth.

This point was partly addressed during a follow-up event the following morning, where an interesting discussion took place with professionals and young people on the conclusions to be drawn from these findings for youth work.

Both events were very inspiring.

## CIVIL SOCIETY: A CRITICAL OPPOSITION – IN A VIBRANT DEMOCRACY

A collective of more than 30 civil society organisations (environmental organisations, international solidarity organisations, social justice organisations and human rights organisations), including the Mouvement Ecologique, was formed in late 2024 under the name Vočo. The common objective: to defend a vibrant democracy and respect for the work of civil society.

The starting point for this initiative was the Caritas affair, but also various statements by members of the government that gave the impression that the government was calling into question the important role of civil society.

In 2025, activities continued: for example, a discussion took place with Minister of State Luc Frieden on the role of civil society and key issues (freedom of information, new legislation on associations, etc.). The meeting was constructive, but no decisions were taken.

During the year, Vočo issued various statements, for example for example on the so-called 'deportation' law.

## FOR BETTER ACCESS TO INFORMATION FOR CITIZENS!

Citizens' access to information is governed by the Act of 14 September 2018 (*transparent and open administration*). Unfortunately, this is an extremely flawed piece of legislation. This was known from the outset, which is why the Chamber of Deputies, when passing the Act, had already decided that the new legislation should be evaluated two years after its entry into force.



Unfortunately, this has so far remained a promise; in practice, very little has been done. This is why the Mouvement Ecologique continues to campaign tirelessly for improvements to the law through various letters, statements and discussions.

It is important to Mouvement Ecologique that the 'Commission for Access to Documents' can always be called upon when requests made to the public sector remain unanswered.

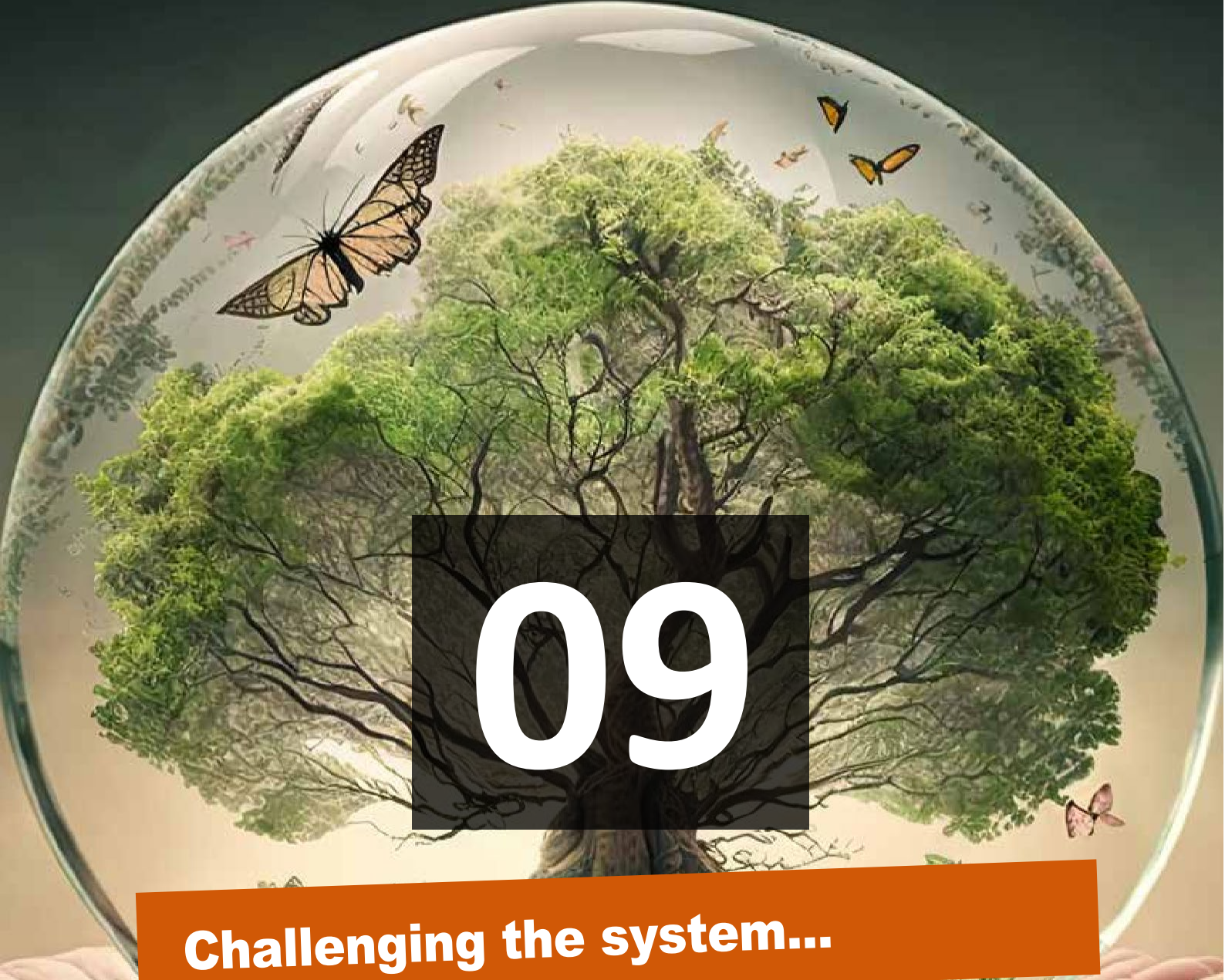
## 'COMMISSION FOR ACCESS TO STRENGTHENING DEMOCRACY AND CIVIL RIGHTS!

Building a sustainable and resilient society for tomorrow requires, more than ever, open dialogue, consideration of factual arguments, as well as well-developed civil rights and modern political education. Unfortunately, Luxembourg is far from achieving these objectives. This makes the commitment of civil society, and in particular that of Mouvement Ecologique, all the more important.

This is why the issue of 'civil society' is a common thread running through all of the Mouvement Ecologique's activities.

In various legislative proposals and dossiers, the organisation consistently advocates for sound information policy and broad public participation. It also advises citizens seeking information on their civic rights or on opportunities to get involved.





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## Challenging the system...

Our current model of society and economy is not sustainable. Not only scientists, but also experts in economics and finance have demonstrated this in numerous publications.

This is also the fundamental conviction of the Ecological Movement, which has been following this work for years.

We need a new social consensus on the pillars upon which we wish to build our economic system in the future – whilst respecting the planet's ecological limits and global distributive justice.

We therefore need dialogue and discussion on fundamental issues, such as how we envisage the world of tomorrow and the kind of planet we want to leave to future generations.

To this end, it is also essential to have positive visions of the future. Today, no one can yet say how a 'sustainable' economic system in detail, as there are too many levers to pull. But the key steps to be taken are known.

That is why Mouvement Ecologique was once again very active in 2025, with a view to enriching the debate in the spirit of a gradual transformation of the current system.

## FOR A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL MODEL!

Our current socio-economic model is not sustainable. This has been demonstrated in numerous publications, not only by scientists, but also by economic and financial experts. It is this fundamental conviction that has guided the work of the Mouvement Écologique for years.

We need a new social consensus on the pillars upon which we wish to build our economic system in the future – whilst respecting the planet’s ecological limits and global distributive justice.

We therefore need to engage in dialogue and discussion on fundamental questions: how do we define ‘good living’ today whilst respecting planetary boundaries and global justice; how do we envisage the world of tomorrow; and what kind of Earth do we want to leave to future generations?

Above all, we need positive visions for the future. For we know that material growth does not make people happier. What is more crucial for this are good social relations, justice, a sense of personal autonomy...

Today, no one can say in detail what a ‘sustainable’ economic system serving as the basis for a ‘good life’ will ultimately look like; many levers need to be pulled. But the key steps to achieving this are known.

That is why, in 2025, the Mouvement Écologique once again played a very active role in enriching the debate in favour of a gradual transformation of the current system. The subject was addressed on several occasions in various statements, discussions, conferences, round tables, etc.

## THE PENSION SYSTEM’S RELIANCE ON CONSTANT GROWTH AND THE QUESTIONS THIS RAISES

The belief that the economy will continue to grow as it has in past years or decades rests on shaky foundations.

Geopolitical tensions and their effects amply demonstrate this – from an ecological perspective, this objective is also clearly absurd: this has been amply demonstrated, among others, by the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

The fact is, however, that the financing of the current pension system in Luxembourg relies on continuous growth: both in gross domestic product and in the number of people in work. In particular, it is assumed that the number of employees will rise steadily and that productivity will increase significantly. If these trends do not materialise, the financing will collapse in the medium term.

Is the current pension system model therefore a driver of growth?

Yes and no: through reforms to its funding, it could be designed to be independent of growth, but this requires political will.

Le Mouvement Ecologique has been drawing attention to this situation for years and has therefore commissioned, among others, *the Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO)* to analyse to what extent it is ‘plausible’ that the Luxembourg economy, under the current funding formula, can actually ensure the financing of the pension system. The authors’ conclusions were revealing: funding under the current model is by no means on a sound footing.

This analysis and the Mouvement Écologique’s numerous interventions on this issue were likely also the decisive factor in the Mouvement Écologique 2025 being invited, as the sole environmental organisation, to the government’s ‘pensions round table’ in Bourg-lénster (alongside, amongst others, employees and employers).

## Obsession with growth and e-democracy – HOW CAN WE ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE SOCIAL AND ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION?

Conferences contribute to shaping public opinion in Luxembourg. They are of particular importance in times of upheaval. It goes without saying that, for Mouvement Écologique, events relating to the issue of growth and the economic system are of particular interest.

As part of the series: *‘Addressing the climate and biodiversity crises in a coherent and socially just manner: what are the prerequisites? How to make the transition a success!’*, the Mouvement Ecologique has organised the following conferences, some in collaboration with partners:

- 5 February 2025 – *Is society failing in the fight against climate change? What concrete conclusions can be drawn?* with Jens Beckert, Director of the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies and Professor of Sociology in Cologne.
- During a Zoom event attended by nearly 100 people entitled: *“Emotionally charged discussions – an opportunity for shaping the future and the transition?”*, Prof. Dr Maren Urner, neuroscientist, author and professor of transformation design, presented new ideas for addressing current crises from a neuroscientific perspective.
- *“How much is enough? Living well without compromising the foundations of life: the role of lifestyle”* was the topic addressed next by *Dr Elisabeth Dütschke, senior researcher at the Fraunhofer Institute for Systems and Innovation Research*. The speaker presented the subject from both a psychological and a practical perspective. The podcast is well worth a listen.

These events always attract a large audience and shed light on these very important yet complex societal challenges.



## OVERSHOOT DAY

In 2025, Luxembourg once again found itself on the winners' podium. As the second country in the world, we reached Earth Overshoot Day on a global scale. Reason enough for the Mouvement Écologique to break new ground by publishing full-page advertisements. With a clear message for the general public and policymakers: this date must be pushed back, which we can achieve if we want to... and it even has benefits for us all. Let's do it!

## TAX THE SUPER-RICH – A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR ALL!

In 2024, the Mouvement Écologique supported the pan-European initiative

supported the 'Tax the Super-Rich' initiative. Although the threshold required for a European citizens' initiative could not be met at the time, experts and civil society organisations around the world are increasingly campaigning for fairer taxation of the super-rich. This is essential for a socio-ecological transition.

Le Mouvement Ecologique remains active within the alliance and regularly addresses the issue of social justice.

## STATE OF THE NATION SPEECH: “DISAPPOINTING AND WORRYING – 'DISAPPOINTING FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE'

... this is how the Mouvement Écologique commented on Prime Minister Luc Frieden's speech in May 2025.

According to the Mouvement Écologique, this speech revealed a problematic attitude on the part of the Minister of State towards the central issue of sustainable development and the acute challenges posed by the climate and biodiversity crises. These central challenges do not appear to feature on the government's list of priorities, nor does the issue of the fair distribution of wealth.

Unfortunately, the impression is still being given that the socio-ecological transition is possible through acts of 'goodwill' and mere awareness-raising, which is not the case.

At the same time, however, deregulation measures are constantly being promoted – particularly at EU level. An analysis of the Minister of State's speech has therefore been published.

## INFORMATIVE MEETING WITH FINANCE MINISTER GILLES ROTH

During an interview with Finance Minister G. Roth, key issues from a sustainable development perspective that directly concern the Ministry of Finance were discussed.

For example, the concept of 'Green Budgeting'. This involves specifically scrutinising the state budget to identify expenditure that is counterproductive in terms of climate and the environment. Many countries have already introduced this tool or are in the process of phasing it in. This ensures, on the one hand, that public funds are no longer spent in a way that contradicts societal objectives (namely climate protection and biodiversity conservation) and, on the other hand, that new financial resources are made available for relevant measures.

Finance Minister Gilles Roth has shown himself to be open to the introduction of such an instrument, provided that existing budgetary structures are not called into question. His staff are already in discussions with foreign experts on this subject.



The 'GDP-wellbeing' instrument was also discussed. It was included for the first time in the 2026 budget, although unfortunately in a rather unsatisfactory manner. The indicators selected are certainly open to debate. But at least a first step has been taken, and the minister is willing to optimise this instrument.

Other topics discussed included the **climate social plan** designed to support the most financially vulnerable households, **sustainable tax reform** and a 'penalty' system for high-emission vehicles. Finally, the **transition from the CO<sub>2</sub> tax** to the ETS2 emissions trading scheme was discussed, with the Mouvement Écologique arguing that a phased approach and social compensation measures were necessary.

The controversial **arbitration tribunals** were also addressed: these allow companies to take states to court to claim billions of euros in compensation if environmental or climate protection measures reduce their profits. Luxembourg is currently involved, among other cases, in the 'Fridman case' (see EU/International).



## IN DIALOGUE WITH POLITICAL STAKEHOLDERS

It is precisely the challenge of sustainably reshaping our social and economic model that requires close dialogue. This is why various discussions have taken place, notably with the Minister for the Economy and Energy, Lex Delles, with the Minister for the Environment, Serge Wilmes (abolition of counterproductive subsidies, design of the <sup>carbon</sup> tax, conducting a stress test for Luxembourg's development...), and with the Minister for Finance, Gilles Roth.



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## Reuse, repair and share

### Elements of a new economy

Breaking free from dependence on economic growth, protecting our vital systems – biodiversity and the climate –, strengthening mutual aid and solidarity, promoting the common good... all these positive objectives are intrinsically linked to the promotion of 'Reuse – Repair – Share'.

This is why Mouvement Ecologique is heavily involved in this area, often in collaboration with the Oekozynter Pafendall and, thanks to an agreement with the Ministry of the Environment, as part of the 'Rethink' project.



## ON THE PATH FROM RECYCLING TO RESOURCE CENTRES: EXPERIENCES AND PRACTICAL IDEAS FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND UNIONS

On 30 October 2025, Mouvement Écologique and Oekozenner Pfandfall invited everyone to the seminar “From Recycling to Resource Centres” at the Prince Henri Centre in Walferdange, with the support of the Ministry of the Environment and the municipality of Walferdange.

Numerous participants from local authorities, the waste management sector, social institutions, businesses and interested members of the public discussed ways of transforming recycling centres into genuine resource centres – centres where reuse, repair and sharing take centre stage.

Using concrete examples, innovative approaches and concepts were presented to show how resource centres can successfully become places dedicated to the circular economy and resource conservation, tailored to the size of the local authorities. These examples came from both Luxembourg and Germany.

The seminar impressively demonstrated the potential impact of such centres, including from a social perspective. Indeed, modern resource centres go far beyond traditional waste management: they can become important meeting places for the community, raise awareness of the circular economy and foster social interaction. In doing so, they offer communities numerous opportunities to organise additional activities: themed reuse markets (school supplies, books, party decorations, etc.), ‘social reuse’, etc.

The seminar highlighted the importance of such an exchange and showed that there are still various issues to be debated at national level, such as whether local authorities can grant their residents preferential access to their municipal centre.

## LUXEMBOURG’S NEW WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN – A GOOD FOUNDATION, BUT POOR IMPLEMENTATION

In 2025, Luxembourg’s new national waste and resource management plan was put out for public consultation. It is an important tool for the future development of waste management in Luxembourg and for adapting to national and European requirements.

In a position paper, Mouvement Écologique welcomes the key elements of this plan.

However, it believes that improvements are needed in key areas. For example, the plan is in many respects rather vague and not sufficiently binding to initiate a genuine transition to a circular economy.

Mouvement Écologique has therefore urged the government to build on this plan, focusing particularly on the most relevant measures to be further developed, and to prioritise prevention and reuse, the strengthening of resource centres, reducing massive exports, monitoring the ‘use’ of exported waste, establishing local repair and reuse activities, and the circular economy at the heart of its priorities.

This plan should also be supplemented by a binding financing plan, as well as an analysis of available human resources and governance structures.





### THE 'FIXIT' CAMPAIGN CONTINUES

In 2025, Mouvement Ecologique and Oekozer Pafendall, with the support of the Ministry of the Environment, continued the “fixit! Repair. Borrow. Use.” campaign. The aim is to promote repair, reuse and sharing for everyone through practical advice, thereby strengthening the economy of the common good.

The campaign advocates not only reduced consumption and better protection of resources, but also an alternative economic model. As part of the campaign, the website was updated with new advice, and template notices were also provided to local authorities for their ‘Buet’. These resources were used by several local authorities throughout the year and received positive feedback.

In 2025, the following content was published:

- **“Children’s toys and clothes – Better to share than throw away”** – Initiatives and actions for the reuse of children’s toys and clothes.
- **“Second-hand bikes are just as good for cycling”** – In recent years, there has been a real boom in cycling, which has now led to the emergence of a dynamic second-hand market. The Fixit campaign highlights special initiatives where second-hand bikes are refurbished and sold at affordable prices.
- **“Refurbished – electrical appliances as good as new”** – In the field of household appliances and smartphones, a similar trend is also developing, allowing people to continue using appliances in very good condition at more affordable prices.

### LOCAL REPAIR WORKSHOPS RATHER THAN REPLACEMENT: 43 MUNICIPALITIES NOW OFFER A ‘REPAIR GRANT’

Over ten years ago, Wiltz became the first municipality in Luxembourg to introduce financial support for the repair of household appliances: the ‘repair grant’. Since then, the Oekozer Pafendall, the Mouvement Ecologique and Oekotopen.lu have campaigned vigorously for the extension of this scheme at national level

Other municipalities have since followed suit, so that, including the municipality of Schengen, a total of 43 municipalities will offer this support from January 2026 – in some, the grant complements existing subsidies for the purchase of new, energy-efficient appliances, whilst in others, it has replaced them. The offer varies from one municipality to another (in terms of the amount of the eco-bonus, the repairs covered, etc.).

Repair is particularly environmentally friendly for appliances with a high ‘ecological footprint’: that is, those containing valuable and sometimes critical raw materials, such as IT equipment, for which resource consumption during production is far more problematic than their subsequent energy consumption. Some municipalities follow the Oekotopen.lu repair guide, which includes criteria for promoting energy-efficient appliances as well as for environmentally friendly repairs.

Unlike in Austria, France or certain German Länder, there are currently no national guidelines or nationwide repair subsidies in Luxembourg. However, the growing involvement of local authorities shows that the promotion of repair is increasingly seen as a permanent feature of sustainable local policy. The Mouvement Écologique continued to work towards this goal in 2025.





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## Tackling the climate to drive forward the climate

Whilst science urges us to 'climate emergency' demonstrates that the climate catastrophe is becoming increasingly evident on a global scale... the energy transition is, unfortunately, progressing rather slowly.

It is therefore important that organisations such as the Mouvement Écologique advocate for a proactive policy that takes climate protection seriously and drives forward the energy transition.

According to Mouvement Écologique, concrete measures in favour of the energy transition should have been implemented by 2025.

It is essential to put the right incentives in place for the energy transition to be successful. Particular attention must be paid to low-income households.



## MOUVEMENT ÉCOLOGIQUE MAKES IT CLEAR: THE GOVERNMENT IS DRAGGING ITS FEET – EMISSION REDUCTIONS IN KEY AREAS

In reality, a national outcry should have erupted in the middle of the year, following the publication of the alarming report on  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions in Luxembourg for 2024. Yet this did not happen: the ministry is downplaying the situation.

A more in-depth analysis carried out by the Mouvement Ecologique has, however, revealed that, although  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions are falling, this reduction is not sufficient across all sectors.

In 2024, only the emission reductions in the transport sector were in line with the targets of the National Energy and Climate Plan (PNEC). In key sectors, however, the necessary reductions were not achieved or were significantly missed.

In some cases, the opposite has even occurred: since 2025, emissions from the industrial sector have risen by 21%. In the building sector, the reduction stands at 19% compared to 2005, whereas according to the Climate and Energy Plan, a 64% reduction should have been achieved within four years! In the water sector, we are at -3%, whereas by 2030, this figure should be -40%!

Nevertheless, the government has even attempted to present the situation in a positive light. Without Meco, it would probably have succeeded...

## INTERNATIONAL MOBILISATION AGAINST REGULATIONS AIMED AT PROTECTING PEOPLE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

In 2025, at EU level, under the pretext of 'administrative simplification' and 'competitiveness', considerable efforts were made to weaken environmental and social regulations.

In response to these worrying developments, the Mouvement Ecologique has notably supported a call launched by more than 470 organisations, trade unions and collectives from Europe and around the world to oppose the deregulation being pushed by the European Commission.

At a time of climate crisis, biodiversity loss and growing inequality, this deregulation and deliberate weakening of important rules and objectives would constitute a dangerous step backwards. It would primarily strengthen large corporations, whilst undermining sustainability goals, public interest actors and democratic processes.

## TOGETHER AGAINST DEREGULATION AND THE WEAKENING OF EUROPEAN CLIMATE POLICY

2025 was also the year in which European climate policy and emissions targets came under intense pressure. Combined with the planned deregulation in the areas of nature conservation, supply chain legislation, etc., this clearly shows the extent to which the measures taken serve the interests of big business and the extent to which important, forward-looking rules aimed at the common good are being called into question. For example, the provisions aimed at achieving the 1.5°C target were to be relaxed (even though it is known that this target is too low).

Thus, new instruments were introduced which, without decarbonising the European economy, were nevertheless supposed to contribute to the achievement of climate targets (for example, the inclusion of  $\text{CO}_2$  certificates from non-EU countries or the still very immature carbon capture technologies). A European alliance, of which the Mouvement Écologique was also a part, opposed this proposal.

In this context, NGOs play an extremely important role at European level: they highlight how policymakers get bogged down in attempts at justification, seek to water down targets and, at the same time, put forward concrete demands. Their recommendations are based on scientific data.

The work of European partners is of great importance to Mouvement Écologique: the handling of the issue by partner organisations such as CAN-Europe enables Meco to react swiftly and call on the Luxembourg government to remain committed to an ambitious climate policy.

In this context, Meco has supported the measures initiated by its partner organisation CAN Europe: the signing of a letter prepared by CAN Europe addressed to the European Commission, and the joint drafting with ASTM of a specific letter addressed to the Minister for the Environment, Serge Wilmes.



## ONLINE CONFERENCE: HEATING WITHOUT GAS OR FIO: BUT WHERE DOES THE HEAT COME FROM? - FOR THE HEATING OF TOMORROW?

In 2024, Mouvement Ecologique launched a series of conferences on the energy transition. The aim: to present the key pillars of this transition to interested parties and to support public debate. The first was entitled: *“Heating without gas or oil: but where will the heat for tomorrow’s heating come from?”*.

*“When we talk about the energy transition, we generally think of the electrification transition – but the thermal transition is actually just as important.”* It was with this clear message that Raphael Gruseck (Ludwigsburg District Energy Agency LEA e.V.) opened an in-depth online conference attended by 55 participants. He explained, with professional precision and clarity, that there is no one-size-fits-all solution: depending on the structure of the housing stock, central heating networks or decentralised solutions such as heat pumps may be more appropriate. Weighing up the various options is not just a technical matter, but also a political one – and must be communicated transparently.

The key role of municipal heating planning became particularly clear. It must be realistic, feasible and strategically focused. It is essential to clarify responsibilities, resources and funding from the outset in order to ensure planning certainty. The lively discussion that followed made it clear: decarbonising the heating sector is a key challenge – and requires clear decisions as well as broad public participation.

## CALL FOR ACTION: WE NEED YOUR EXPERIENCE!

In 2025, Mouvement Ecologique twice called on its members to share their experiences and knowledge, so that these could be incorporated into its contributions and presented at meetings with, amongst others, the Minister for the Economy, Lex Delles.

In a call entitled *“Call: what problems do you see in the development of renewable energy? Share your experiences with us!”*, members’ insights were sought so that Mouvement Ecologique could contribute suggestions to the national energy roundtable. The aim was to identify the obstacles to the development of renewable energy and, in a subsequent phase, to overcome them. The second call focused on the theme: *“Are you a member of a*

*solar energy cooperative? What are your experiences?”*. Through the testimonies of energy cooperatives, the aim was to examine how to improve the framework conditions for their success. Given that a draft law on the pre-financing of solar installations was, in particular, being drawn up, this approach proved to be highly relevant.

In both cases, this contribution proved highly valuable and greatly assisted Mouvement Ecologique in participating constructively in the debates, including with the relevant minister.

## CONTRIBUTION TO THE CREOS 10-YEAR NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PLAN

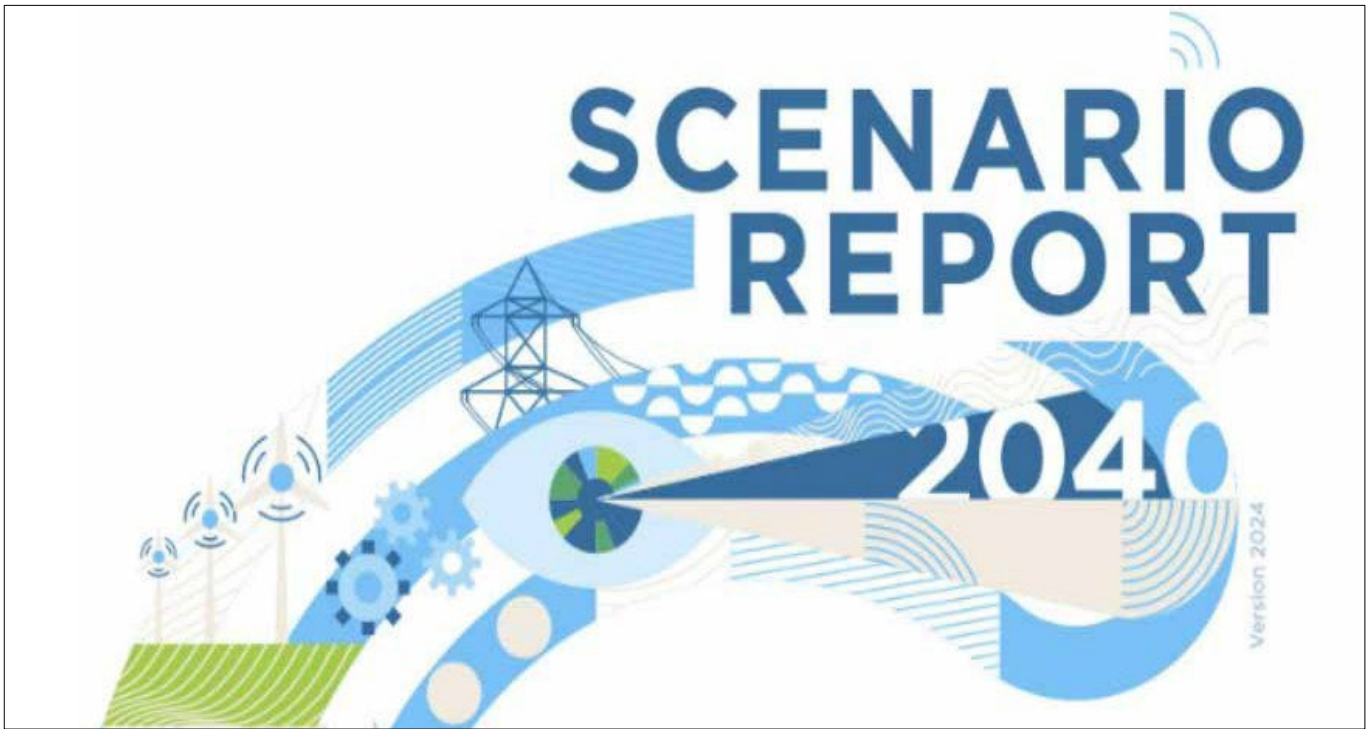
In 2024, the Luxembourg Regulatory Institute (ILR) published the Ten-Year Network Development Plan 2024–2034, drawn up by CREOS as part of a public consultation. As its name suggests, this plan outlines the development of the electricity grid, in particular, over the next ten years.

Mouvement Ecologique took this opportunity to propose fundamental improvements to the plan. It emphasised that a modern and efficient electricity grid is an essential prerequisite for security of supply and the success of the energy transition in Luxembourg. As such, the construction of new power lines is also entirely justifiable.

Nevertheless, Mouvement Écologique notes a clear need for improvement in several areas and, in many respects, agrees with the ILR, which has put forward similar suggestions for improvement.

For instance, the project lacked clarity and transparency. Above all, however, it deals almost exclusively with the maximum expansion of the grid. Alternatives such as flexibility mechanisms, interruptible loads, storage solutions or new technologies like hydrogen and battery storage are not sufficiently taken into account. A transparent comparison between a maximum expansion and a more flexibility-oriented approach – taking into account costs and benefits – would also be essential.

The aim must be to develop the grid expansion strategically, efficiently and in the public interest.



In the view of Mouvement Écologique, the State should also set out much clearer binding guidelines for the drafting of grid development plans. This is all the more important given that CREOS both develops consumption scenarios and plans grid expansion, whilst simultaneously profiting from this expansion as an investor.

Mouvement Écologique’s position has been highlighted in a report by the ILR. The coming years are certainly set to be exciting in this area.

### **WHERE WILL OUR ELECTRICITY COME FROM IN THE FUTURE – AND HOW WILL IT REACH US?**

In the ‘Scenario Report’, CREOS sets out how Luxembourg’s electricity system is expected to evolve to meet the energy needs of different sectors whilst supporting the energy transition. This complex document was presented to the public in 2025 as a draft subject to public consultation. Mouvement Écologique took this opportunity to submit its comments.

It was welcomed that the “Scenario Report” presented in 2025 had addressed some of the shortcomings of its predecessor. Nevertheless, there is still room for improvement. Fundamentally, the Mouvement Écologique regrets that the report, in its current form, is difficult for non-specialists to understand. A democratic consultation process requires that key content be presented in an understandable manner.

In substance, Mouvement Écologique calls in particular for a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis of the measures, as well as a systematic comparison of the different scenarios.

Greater ‘flexibility’ across all sectors should be prioritised to minimise the expansion of the network. This includes, amongst other things, the recovery of industrial waste heat, seasonal heat storage, demand management and district heating solutions.

Furthermore, coherent integration with other planning processes and strategies is necessary to exploit synergies and identify conflicting objectives at an early stage. Legal, organisational and financial frameworks must be put in place to effectively promote network-friendly behaviour. Finally, communication on these measures must be clear, accessible and understandable, particularly for private households, in order to avoid any misinterpretation.



### **DIALOGUE – THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORK**

It goes without saying that, at the start of the legislative term, a dialogue was sought with the competent Minister for the Economy and Energy. During an initial stimulating exchange, topics such as the expansion of district heating networks, the direction of Luxembourg’s economic policy, ‘sustainability checks’ or ‘compatibility checks’ for businesses, the issue of growth and the agreement with Mercosur were on the agenda.



## ENERGY WEEKS 2025: 5 THOUGHTS ON THE SUBJECT ‘PRESERVING BUILDINGS RATHER THAN DEMOLISHING THEM’: AN INTERESTING PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE

The Oekozer Pafendall’s ‘Energy Weeks’, in collaboration with the Mouvement Ecologique, took place from 21 May to

### A fascinating conference – Moving away from the demolition mindset

An online conference on 21 May addressed a central theme of the building revolution: why are buildings often demolished long before they have truly reached the end of their useful life? Together with architect and urban planner Vittorio Magnago Lampugnani, the discussion focused on the mechanisms driving this trend – and on how this dynamic can be halted or reversed.

In doing so, Lampugnani criticises the fact that sustainability has so far been reduced too narrowly to technology and CO<sub>2</sub> and calls for a historical and cultural grounding. He advocates for the long-term preservation of buildings, adaptability and enduring aesthetic appeal. Building also entails social responsibility. Urban sprawl threatens the landscape, and limiting areas of urban development is crucial. New builds should be the exception; a fundamental paradigm shift is needed to effectively tackle the ecological crisis.

### 5 visits: from builder to builder

Under the motto *‘preserve buildings rather than demolish them’*, five site visits demonstrated how the conversion and reuse of existing structures can be achieved in a resource-efficient manner whilst reinforcing identity. In the case of a former courtyard in Esch-sur-Alzette, for example, the structure that had stood for generations was retained whilst visibly preserving its former functions.

Adapting historic buildings used to be a matter of course; today, however, strict building regulations and heritage protection often make it difficult to maintain them. Differentiated regulations, which distinguish between old and new buildings, are needed to facilitate this. Examples such as the former vicarage in Saeul or the courtyards in Bartringen and Dillingen show that

transformation protects buildings from deterioration whilst simultaneously creating modern living spaces – whether through insulation renovation or the ‘house-within-a-house’ principle.

## NEW STRATEGY FOR ADAPTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Transformation protects buildings from deterioration whilst simultaneously creating modern living spaces – whether through insulation renovation or the ‘house-within-a-house’ principle. In Greiveldingen, a family home has been preserved for future generations using natural building materials.

This strategy is of great importance. For we know that every effort must be made to limit global warming as much as possible. However, temperatures will continue to rise, extreme weather events will become more frequent, and so on. That is why this strategy sets out measures that the state, local authorities, and others should implement in the coming years to limit the impacts as much as possible.

## LET’S MAKE HEATING PLANNING A PRIORITY!

The energy transition in the heating sector is the main challenge facing Luxembourg’s energy and climate policy. Whilst the electricity sector has already made significant progress thanks to renewable energy, the heating sector remains heavily dependent on fossil gas and heating oil, and is also much less discussed in the public (political) sphere.

It should be noted that over 80% of household energy consumption is used for heating and hot water. Without a fundamental transformation of the heating supply, national and European climate targets cannot be met.

At the same time, the energy transition for heating is a social, geopolitical and economic necessity: it reduces dependence on energy imports, strengthens security of supply, stabilises prices in the long term (for both industry and households) and opens up opportunities for innovation and investment.

Throughout 2025, Mouvement Ecologique has consistently reiterated at every opportunity that the energy transition for heating must finally become a priority. For example, during discussions with the Minister for the Economy on the RTL programme ‘Background’, amongst others.



## NATIONAL CLIMATE PLATFORM – MECO COMMITS

Luxembourg's Climate Protection Act provides for the creation of a 'national platform for climate action and the energy transition', comprising employers and employees, NGOs, local authorities and other stakeholders. Mouvement Écologique is a member of this platform. During three meetings held in 2025, the focus was primarily on the progress of the implementation of the National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP) and on the development of Luxembourg's Social Climate Plan.

During these meetings, the Mouvement Écologique repeatedly emphasised the importance of evaluating the implementation of the National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP) and the need to analyse potential obstacles to its implementation. According to the Mouvement Écologique,  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions are currently not being reduced to the desired extent.

A joint position paper was drafted with the Chamber of Employees on the draft Social Climate Plan, which was submitted to the platform.

## TAX BENEFITS ONLY FOR FULLY ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND NOT FOR HYBRIDS

Currently, only fully electric cars benefit from 'benefits in kind' for company cars. Not plug-in hybrid vehicles. And for good reason.

Studies show that plug-in hybrids have  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions under real-world driving conditions that are three to five times higher than the manufacturers' official figures. This phenomenon is particularly pronounced in the case of company cars, where the proportion of electric driving sometimes falls below 15%. Added to this is unnecessarily high resource consumption due to the dual-motor design.

In 2025, it emerged that certain quarters intended to 'relax' the current incentives for electric cars.

Mouvement Écologique therefore campaigned to ensure that the current system remains unchanged. The reason is clear: public funds should only be used where there is a genuine contribution to reducing emissions and a sufficient contribution to achieving climate targets. This is not the case with so-called plug-in hybrid vehicles.

The company car sector also plays an important role as a model: it shapes vehicle fleets, influences the second-hand market and promotes the development of charging infrastructure.

## CARBON CAPTURE: TWO MEETINGS AND MANY UNRESOLVED ISSUES REGARDING THESE TECHNOLOGIES

In 2025, two major meetings organised by the government on so-called 'carbon capture' procedures took place. This shows that the government attaches great importance to this issue.

Furthermore, the government has set up a working group tasked with developing a framework for 'carbon capture', in which Mouvement Écologique is partly involved, alongside industry, research and urban planning departments (albeit to a limited extent). As might be expected, this body is 'dominated' by industry and research. Until



However, to date, the forums have not been organised in a way that allows for a genuine discussion of the pros and cons. Many questions therefore remain unanswered: storage options in Luxembourg, connection to foreign infrastructure, cost allocation and the prevention of greenwashing are just some of the issues raised.

Mouvement Écologique is monitoring this issue very critically: a 2024 study by the Öko-Institut highlights significant risks in terms of safety, the environment and costs, and calls for caution. Above all, however, Mouvement Écologique regrets that the ministry is currently devoting so many resources to this issue, whilst the heating plan is making virtually no progress. This should clearly be the priority.

## GET INVOLVED: IN SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL CASES TOO

In 2024, a European directive was transposed, establishing new rules on how the consumption of certain types of energy by individual households in a block of flats must be recorded (*Draft Bill – Individual metering and cost allocation for heating, cooling and hot water (No. 8250)*). One of its objectives is to promote energy savings. Mouvement Écologique welcomed the general direction of the draft but made a number of suggestions to address inconsistencies in the text.

These were welcomed by the Minister for Energy, Lex Delles, and Mouvement Écologique was therefore informed in detail, by letter, of the proposed amendments that were incorporated into the final law.

## THE ANTI-NUCLEAR COMMITTEE REMAINS ACTIVE

Mouvement Écologique coordinates this 'Action Committee' in collaboration with Greenpeace.

In 2025, a meeting took place, among others, with Energy Minister Lex Delles on key issues of nuclear and energy policy. Ahead of the next 'decadal inspection' in 2027, the alliance proposed reactivating the government working group established in 2012 following the Fukushima disaster to strengthen dialogue with civil society. The development of technical and legal expertise was also requested



in order to quickly identify opportunities for intervention in problematic cases.

The minister was receptive and requested that an official letter be sent to the relevant ministries. Cooperation with the regions of the Greater Region – in particular Saarland and Rhineland-Palatinate – was also deemed beneficial.

The action committee criticised the state's investments in nuclear energy – for example via the pension fund – deeming them incompatible with a credible negotiating position vis-à-vis France. On the subject of small modular reactors (SMRs), the minister emphasised that Luxembourg, along with other states critical of nuclear power, opposes the relevant European initiatives, a task that is becoming increasingly difficult. He stressed that one red line remains: no European funds for new nuclear power stations. In conclusion, it was suggested that the public should be better informed about the costs and risks of nuclear energy in order to combat misinformation.





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## For a Transition in energy

The energy transition can only succeed if it is socially just. In other words: if, on the one hand, people with fewer financial resources are relieved of the burden of rising energy prices and, on the other hand, are supported so that they can actively participate in the energy transition (i.e. if they also have access to renewable energy, etc.).

Unfortunately, too little is currently being done in this area. That is why Mouvement Ecologique, the Chamber of Labour, the OGBL and the LCGB are also running a joint campaign to secure improvements.

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## **‘SOCIAL CLIMATE PLAN’ SOCIO-ECOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATION MUST BECOME A POLITICAL PRIORITY! JOINT POSITION OF THE MOUVEMENT ÉCOLOGIQUE AND THE CHAMBRE DES SALARIÉS**

Those with fewer financial resources are the ones who suffer most from the biodiversity and climate crisis, even though it is proven that they contribute the least to it.

The EU is therefore requiring Member States to draw up a social climate plan to protect low-income households and vulnerable businesses from the consequences of rising fuel and heating prices, and to enable them to play an active role in the energy transition. Low-income households are particularly affected, as energy costs account for a disproportionate share of their budget (even though they consume less on average than those on higher incomes) and they cannot afford to invest in energy-saving measures.

Such a scheme is also of particular importance in Luxembourg, as current measures tend to exclude people on low incomes.

Unfortunately, according to Mouvement Écologique, the government has not worked on this crucial plan with the necessary vigour. This is why a joint statement was published with the Chamber of Employees, the OGBL and the LCGB. This initiative has borne fruit: the social climate plan has finally become a political issue. The aim: much more needs to be done, and faster, in Luxembourg to include people with limited financial means in the transition.

These joint actions have borne fruit: various discussions have taken place (including meetings with the Minister for the Economy, Lex Delles, and the Minister for the Environment, Serge Wilmes), a working group has been set up, the first draft of the plan has been revised, and so on. However, the new draft plan subsequently presented once again revealed a number of shortcomings, prompting the alliance of the Mouvement Écologique and the trade unions, in collaboration with the Chamber of Employees, to mobilise once more and demand improvements. The final plan is now due to be presented in 2026; we will have to wait and see.



## SOCIAL RENTAL: AN IMPORTANT PROJECT TO ADVANCE SOCIAL RIGHTS IN THE TRANSPORT SECTOR'S TRANSITION

On behalf of the Ministry of the Environment, *Luxmobility and the consultancy firm Fier* have conducted a study on the feasibility of a social long-term electric car rental scheme in Luxembourg. The aim is to enable households with limited financial resources to move away from combustion engine vehicles and give them access to more affordable electric cars. This long-term leasing programme is designed to offer particularly favourable terms regarding the vehicle, maintenance and insurance.

Mouvement Ecologique has been campaigning for years in favour of this social scheme and has expressly welcomed this initiative.

Representatives from the long-term leasing, automotive, social and environmental sectors took part in workshops, including Mouvement Ecologique. The latter successfully advocated for the long-term leasing programme to be made as accessible as possible, regardless of commuting distances or public transport links. The study sets out clear recommendations, which must now be implemented by the relevant ministries.

To further reduce costs, the study recommends incorporating the 'Mobility' climate bonus. This scheme will be reserved for households already receiving REVIS or the 'Cost of Living Allowance'. In addition, an expansion of the public charging infrastructure and a wide choice of vehicles are planned.

The Department for the Environment has announced that a social leasing scheme will be put through the legislative process in 2026.

## ELECTRICITY TARIFFS FOR HEAT PUMPS AND ELECTRIC CARS MUST REMAIN MORE ADVANTAGEOUS THAN THOSE FOR FOSSIL FUELS – the most disadvantaged towns MUST BE STRONGLY SUPPORTED!

In 2024, the overhaul of electricity tariffs, the rising costs of charging points, etc., sparked some fairly heated debates.

At the same time, many feared that these changes would not be sufficient for the energy transition, as the switch to renewable energy would not be sufficiently encouraged. Consequently, many citizens began to doubt the value of this transition.

This raised the following question: what needs to be done to shape the energy transition in such a way that it is socially just and also benefits those who are investing in it today? What decisions need to be taken to ensure that renewable energies remain attractive in the long term (i.e. including heat pumps and electric mobility)?

To achieve this, clear political framework conditions are needed that are transparent, predictable and socially equitable. During the discussions, Mouvement Ecologique advocated the following measures in particular:

- Electricity from renewable sources must be and remain cheaper than fossil fuels;
- Electricity pricing should be co-determined by the state through greater public participation in grid costs;
- A gradual increase in the CO2 tax up to 2030 should be decided and set now;
- The green transition must be socially just;
- The State and local authorities are required, amongst other things, to propose collective solutions for a just energy transition.

The State is required to present a medium- and long-term strategy, taking social criteria into account and considering the potential consequences for individual businesses or certain types of businesses.





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**More (regional) organic**

**- for health**

**and biodiversity**

In 2025, the promotion of (regional) organic farming was the focus of particular attention, due to ongoing agricultural issues.

At the same time, Mouvement Ecologique is also campaigning for greater support for conventional farming in the interests of sustainable management.

But the fact is that organic food is healthier and offers a significant benefit for biodiversity.

## 20 MILLION EUROS IN PUBLIC FUNDS FOR NEW FENCES – BUT SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA ARE MISSING!

In early 2025, Agriculture Minister Martine Hansen presented a draft bill on agricultural diversification, aimed at increasing Luxembourg's low self-sufficiency rate in fruit and vegetables. The ministry planned to grant 20 million euros in subsidies for new greenhouse facilities for the production of tomatoes, strawberries and other crops.

In a press release (*"Public funds for new greenhouses: the focus on large-scale facilities and the lack of sustainability criteria cast a shadow over the initiative to develop fruit and vegetable cultivation in Luxembourg"*), Mouvement Ecologique welcomed the general aim of promoting fruit and vegetable cultivation through this project. However, the direction of the draft law was criticised, as it favours large industrial companies and neglects small-scale sustainable agriculture.

Furthermore, no criteria for organic farming were included. For Mouvement Écologique, such an approach seemed utterly unacceptable and regressive given the substantial sums allocated.

This statement prompted reactions from the Ministry of Agriculture and the National Association of Fruit Growers, to which the Mouvement Écologique responded once again, setting the record straight on certain false claims.

Mouvement Écologique continued to systematically challenge the fact that the State does not make the granting of public funds conditional on compliance with farming conditions (no pesticides, etc.), which would be easily achievable and would be in keeping with the spirit of forward-looking agriculture.

Unfortunately, the project was carried out in its original form.

The Mouvement Écologique's initiative has, however, helped to raise public awareness of this issue and has been a key pillar in discussions on future agricultural policy.

## RESTOPOLIS DOSSIER – PROMOTING ORGANIC FARMING, BIODIVERSITY AND HEALTH PREVENTION

For years, the Mouvement Écologique has been campaigning for the continuation and expansion of the Restopolis project, which, through its procurement policy focused on local and organic produce ('Supply4future'), creates significant added value for Luxembourg agriculture in school canteens. Surprisingly, this project is supported exclusively by the Ministry of Education and not by the Ministry of Agriculture.

Towards the end of 2025, attempts (notably by the Ministry of Agriculture) were made to weaken the procurement criteria.

Currently, to put it simply, the hierarchy for food procurement is as follows: organic products, regional origin, price. This means that food produced abroad is sometimes given preference over locally produced food. This situation has been criticised by stakeholders in the agricultural sector – whilst the Mouvement Écologique has explicitly supported it.

In a publication, the Mouvement Écologique explained that, from the perspective of biodiversity and climate protection, as well as public health, organic food produced abroad also offers advantages over products from conventional agriculture.

Furthermore, it should be noted that over 80% of the food purchased by Restopolis comes from Europe, and in particular from neighbouring countries, and that food sourced from further afield is mostly not produced here (ginger, rice, etc.).

In a detailed statement issued in early December, the Mouvement Écologique called on the government to maintain the current regulations and

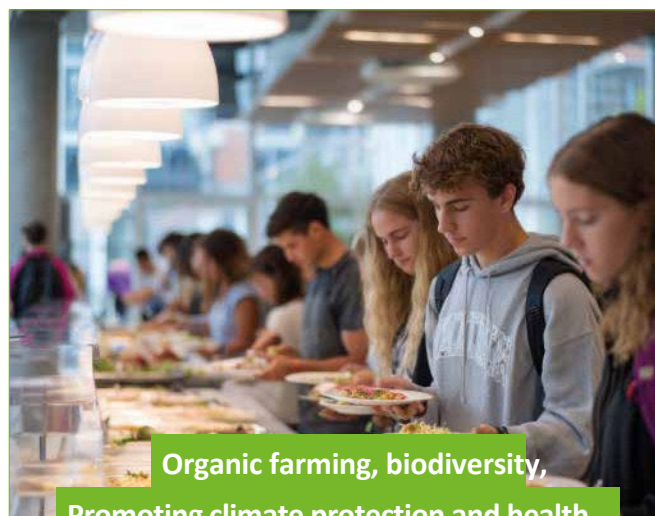
- extend the tried-and-tested Restopolis model to all public canteens (hospitals, care homes, 'public canteens'),
- present a progressive action plan for organic farming (PAN Bio),
- and to strengthen structures within the Ministry of Agriculture to promote organic farming.

Furthermore, Mouvement Écologique is concerned about the dominant market position of a major company in the Luxembourg food sector, whose influence on national agriculture and food supply must be taken into account at a policy level.

This issue has elicited numerous positive reactions. Criticism has come mainly from various agricultural circles.

In mid-December, a stimulating discussion took place with the Minister for Education, Claude Meisch. The minister's key message was that he would stick to the current system and that no changes would be made.

Mouvement Ecologique explicitly welcomed this decision! The campaign has borne fruit. We can only hope that the Ministry of Agriculture will finally take a leaf out of the Ministry of Education's book and ensure, in a similar and consistent manner, that (regional) organic food is also offered in all public canteens (hospitals, care homes, etc.).



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## Health and biodiversity

### Key theme: No to pesticides –

### No to ‘forever chemicals’

Thanks to partnerships with European colleagues, the issues of ‘pesticide use and exposure’ and ‘forever chemicals’ took centre stage in 2025, particularly through a series of food analyses.

Mouvement Ecologique wants to show just how important it is to take action today! It is not just a matter of protecting biodiversity, but also our health.

Taking action today also means avoiding unmanageable burdens in the future.

## FOOD CONTAMINATION BY PESTICIDES – EVEN ONE PESTICIDE IS TOO MANY!

The Luxembourg Veterinary and Food Administration (ALVA) regularly publishes food analyses aimed at detecting pesticide residues. In 2022, 608 food samples from Luxembourg, the EU and third countries were tested (fruit, vegetables, cereals, spices, herbs, tea, oilseeds, nuts, tubers and wine). As no more recent data was available and the results are extremely revealing, Mouvement Ecologique published a detailed analysis of these findings in February 2025. It was entitled: *'Official analyses by the Ministry of Agriculture show: 50% of foodstuffs tested are contaminated with pesticides – when will the government take action?'*



These official samples demonstrated strikingly how common pesticide residues are in food produced using conventional farming methods (in contrast to food produced using organic farming methods). In fact, only around half of the samples were completely free of pesticide residues – 5.8% of the samples exceeded the legal maximum residue limits and were partially withdrawn from sale. Organic products contained significantly fewer residues than those from conventional farming.

It was particularly worrying to note that many foods were contaminated by several pesticides at once, known as 'pesticide cocktails'.

Mouvement Ecologique regretted that ALVA had not itself highlighted this key point in its report.

Minister Martine Hansen responded to Mouvement Ecologique's statement in the press, describing the report as "misleading" and downplayed the risks by citing legal limits and the selection of samples examined.

Mouvement Ecologique explicitly rejected this interpretation. In light of the growing body of scientific evidence demonstrating the clear threat that pesticides pose to nature and health, it is incumbent upon policymakers to respond more consistently and provide better information. When a food product contains several pesticides, one must not pretend that everything is fine simply because there are no legal limits for such mixtures. The Ministry must also be far more consistent in informing the public that organic food products are significantly less contaminated.

Although a direct exchange with the Minister took place a few weeks later, from the Mouvement Écologique's perspective, little progress has been made.

## EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WITH THE ALVA

The issue of pesticide residues was addressed in the autumn during a fruitful exchange with the Luxembourg Administration for Veterinary and Food Affairs (ALVA).

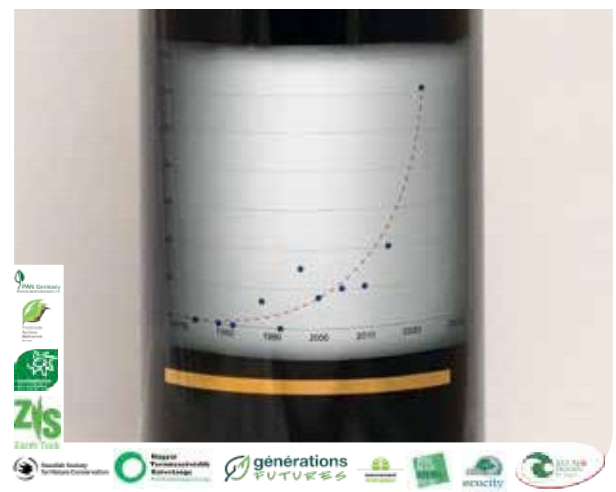
A factual discussion took place regarding ALVA's remit and the EU requirements for such analyses. ALVA emphasised its neutrality on this matter, as well as the high standards of professional and scientific quality required for the analyses and their complexity.

At the same time, Mouvement Ecologique emphasised the importance of presenting these analyses in a way that is easily understandable to interested members of the public and organisations, whilst also objectively highlighting the differences in contamination levels between organically and conventionally farmed food. Furthermore, in anticipation of various upcoming European requirements in Luxembourg, the Ministry should promote the precautionary principle much more systematically.



## MESSAGE FROM THE BOTTLE

The rapid increase in trans-fatty acid contamination in the EU



## PERFLUORINATED CHEMICALS (PFCs) AND FOODSTUFFS: A THREAT TO HEALTH AND NATURE – POLICY MUST ACT

In 2025, the actions of the Ecological Movement have been highly consistent in drawing attention to the growing contamination of nature and food by TFA (trifluoroacetic acid), an extremely persistent chemical. The primary aim is to urge policymakers to take action against the growing accumulation of this highly polluting substance, which originates largely from agricultural pesticides. At the same time, the aim is to raise public awareness of this issue.

- **‘Message from the Bottle’: Evidence of increasing TFA contamination in wine**

As part of its collaboration with Pesticide Action Network Europe (PAN Europe), Mouvement Écologique published new analyses in April on the contamination of agricultural products by trifluoroacetic acid (TFA), a ‘forever chemical’. The study focused on wine, mainly due to its long shelf life, which allowed researchers to check whether TFA contamination had increased over recent decades. Unfortunately, this was the case.

These findings confirm studies conducted in 2024 on TFA contamination of groundwater, surface water, drinking water and mineral water. Wine is representative of agricultural products in general and shows that TFA accumulates in plants, thereby entering the food chain.

Although it was emphasised that there is no immediate cause for alarm, the analyses highlight the urgency of taking action: setting limit values, reducing TFA releases into the environment and raising public awareness to minimise the ingestion of this ‘forever chemical’ through food.

- **‘Forever Chemicals’ in the food chain – cereals are also contaminated**

Following the study on TFA in wine, a new pan-European campaign has been launched with PAN-Europe. The new analyses have shown that TFA, a ‘forever chemical’, is also widespread in everyday cereal products – including in Luxembourg (bread, pasta, flour). The concentrations measured are on average 100 times higher than the levels previously found in drinking water.

The report clearly shows that food is a major route of exposure to TFA. At the same time, adequate limits are lacking, as policymakers and the scientific community have largely ignored this molecule for decades.

As PFAS are potentially harmful to health and accumulate in the environment, PAN Europe and its member organisations, including Mouvement Écologique, have called for immediate action: the introduction of precautionary limits and comprehensive strategies to reduce PFAS contamination in food and the environment.

To help the public, Mouvement Écologique has also made available on its website a list of alternatives to PFAS for everyday use.

- **Open letter on the ban on PFAS pesticides**

On 3 July 2025, Mouvement Écologique sent an open letter to the Minister for Agriculture, Martine Hansen, and the Minister for Health, Martine Deprez, as well as an appeal to Luxembourg’s MEPs. It demanded that the government launch a campaign at national and European level in favour of a ban on pesticides containing PFAS.

Mouvement Écologique urged Luxembourg to support the non-renewal of the authorisation for the active substance flutolanil at European level and, at the same time, to ban pesticides containing PFAS at national level in order to better protect the environment and public health.





- **Conference on PFAS contamination in food:**  
*"The bath is overflowing, we must turn off the PFAS tap!"*

In November, Mouvement Écologique organised a well-attended conference at the Oeko-Zentrum Pafendall on the theme *"Alarming food contamination by 'Forever Chemicals' (PFAS)"*. Around 70 participants from civil society, as well as government departments, academia and the political sphere, attended the presentation by Kildine Le Proux de La Rivière, a chemical engineer and doctor of pharmacy with the French NGO Générations Futures.

The speaker clearly explained what PFAS are – extremely stable and persistent chemicals – and why they pose a major challenge to the environment and health.

Particular emphasis was placed on the urgency of taking action: even small amounts of food, such as a single egg, can cause children to exceed the maximum weekly limits for PFAS. The speaker cited existing examples within the EU, such as Denmark and France, which regulate products containing PFAS, and called on Luxembourg to take proactive action as well.

The event highlighted that whilst consumers can take protective measures by choosing organic products and PFAS-free consumption habits, real change must come from regulation and legal bans aimed at ending the release of PFAS into the environment. The conference was filmed and made available on the website.

## EU-WIDE ACTION AGAINST THE USE OF PESTICIDES

Mouvement Ecologique has also been involved in various initiatives at European level:

- **Joint call for stricter pesticide regulations:** in October, alongside 137 environmental organisations, Mouvement Ecologique signed a letter addressed to the President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen. The aim was to strengthen European legislation on pesticides and prevent dangerous transition periods that would allow the temporary use of banned substances.
- **Stop the 'omnibus' deregulation:** in December, alongside natur& Umwelt, Greenpeace and other NGOs, Mouvement Ecologique called on the European Commission and national ministries to put an end to deregulation proposals in the food and feed sector, which would significantly weaken protection against pesticides.
- **Pesticide reduction and roadmap:** in January 2025, in collaboration with more than 85 international organisations, a roadmap was drawn up for a phased-out of pesticides, which includes the consistent implementation of existing European regulations and practical measures for farmers.

A large, leafy tree stands in a grassy field. In the background, a town is visible under a clear blue sky. The scene is captured during the golden hour, with warm light illuminating the landscape.

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## **Biodiversity conservation and sustainable agriculture in everyone's interest**

The biodiversity crisis is one of the greatest threats to humanity. At the same time, nature is also essential to our well-being.

In the interests of all, protecting nature is therefore a top priority for the Mouvement Ecologique, which will place particular emphasis on awareness-raising projects in 2025.

Biodiversity is also the foundation of forward-looking agriculture, and environmentally friendly and sustainable agriculture is in turn necessary for the preservation of biodiversity.

Reconciling the protection of biodiversity with the promotion of agriculture was therefore also a major concern for the Mouvement Ecologique in 2025.

## ON THE OCCASION OF WORLD BIODIVERSITY DAY: AN ANALYSIS OF LUXEMBOURG’S AGRICULTURAL POLICY: WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BIODIVERSITY CRISIS?

*“It is not the silence of the insects, but that of politics that should alarm us.”*

Luxembourg provides several hundred million euros in support for its agriculture; the majority of these funds come from the EU. In addition to supporting farmers, these funds are also intended to combat biodiversity loss and climate change. In the context of European and national agricultural subsidies for the 2023–2027 funding period, Mouvement Ecologique commissioned a study to determine whether these funds are actually linked to effective programmes for strengthening biodiversity in the country – that is, whether they are invested in the public interest – and where improvements are still possible.

The analysis carried out by Nadja Kasperczyk (a biology graduate from Justus Liebig University in Giessen) was published to mark World Biodiversity Day on 22 May 2025 and showed that: Although the state of the natural environment in Luxembourg is alarming and continues to deteriorate, agricultural practices that contribute to worsening the situation are currently subsidised by taxpayers’ money.



## ACCELERATING CONSTRUCTION – AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT NEW NATURE CONSERVATION LAWS – THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE NATURE CONSERVATION ACT ARE UNACCEPTABLE

In 2024, the government proposed an amendment to the Nature Conservation Act, which Mouvement Ecologique analysed in detail in early 2025. This reform forms part of the government’s ‘Build Ever Faster’ initiative.

Following more general analyses carried out in 2024, this new publication from 2025 specifically addressed the various articles of the reform text and, in a constructive spirit, also presented concrete proposals for improvements deemed important by Mouvement Écologique.

The Mouvement Écologique’s objectives: whilst procedures must certainly be simplified, the preservation of biodiversity and green infrastructure in urban areas must not be compromised to this extent.

Following a thorough review (and requests for information from the Ministry), the Mouvement Écologique concluded that the draft, in its current form, is not based on scientifically verifiable grounds, **contravenes European nature conservation directives**, could **undermine the principle of equality among citizens**, and guarantees **neither the preservation of biodiversity nor genuine administrative simplification**.

Mouvement Écologique has reaffirmed its long-standing support for the **simplification of procedures in the field of housing construction**, but has emphasised that a reform of the Nature Conservation Act must be compatible with European law and protect the quality of life in local communities, for both people and animals. In a constructive spirit, specific amendments to the text have been proposed.

The reform is not yet complete; the Mouvement Écologique will continue to oppose any deterioration and will contribute constructively.

## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU’S ‘NATURE RESTORATION REGULATION’ IN LUXEMBOURG – PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL PLANS

In October 2025, Mouvement Écologique took part in an information meeting organised by the Ministry of the Environment on **national restoration plans**, which must be submitted to the European Commission by September 2026 in accordance with the EU Nature Restoration Regulation.

During the discussion, Mouvement Ecologique emphasised that a **reform of agricultural policy** is essential, as it is on agricultural land that the need for restoration is greatest. At the same time, the risk was raised that the plans would remain ineffective without concrete support for their implementation. Mouvement Ecologique will continue to actively monitor the process.





## NGOs call on European environment ministers not to weaken the wolf's protected status

On 17 December 2025, Mouvement Ecologique, in collaboration with more than 200 European environmental organisations, signed an open letter addressed to all EU environment ministers. The letter called for the wolf's protection status not to be downgraded at national level – even though the EU has recently downgraded it from 'strictly protected' to "protected".

The signatories emphasised that this decision contradicts scientific evidence, as the wolf remains in an unfavourable conservation status in six of the EU's seven biogeographical regions. The European Court of Justice had also confirmed in June 2025 that each Member State must independently ensure a favourable conservation status. Instead of calls for culling motivated by political considerations, the NGOs advocated for cooperative coexistence strategies – including livestock protection, preventive measures and fair compensation agreements. The wolf, as a conservation success story and an important element of European biodiversity, should continue to be protected in Luxembourg on the basis of scientific evidence.

## CONFERENCE ON THE STRATEGIC DIALOGUE ON THE FUTURE OF EU AGRICULTURE

In April, Mouvement Ecologique organised a well-attended conference on the theme of the 'Strategic Dialogue on the Future of EU Agriculture'. Around 45 experts from the environmental and agricultural sectors took part.

The agricultural sector was represented, notably by representatives from NGOs, public authorities and research institutes.

The speaker was Faustine Bas-Defossez, Director of Nature, Health and Environment at the European Environmental Bureau (EEB) and co-author of the Strategic Dialogue. She presented the key elements of the final report, published in September 2024, and explained the historic consensus-building process involving 29 different stakeholders from the agriculture, environment, trade and civil society sectors.

The conference specifically addressed the organisation and conduct of the dialogue, the possibilities for compromise in a polarised environment, and the development of shared visions for a sustainable European food system. It was particularly emphasised that the consensus had been built over the course of a large number of meetings (around 100) over a period of seven months, including informal exchange formats that fostered a common understanding.

The discussions following the conference also demonstrated the strong willingness of all parties present to work together constructively to reconcile environmental, climate and agricultural objectives. The event was recorded and a podcast was produced with the speaker.

## SCHOOL FRUIT SCHEME 2025/2026 – ANOTHER MISSED OPPORTUNITY

Until 1 September 2025, the Ministry of Agriculture's 17th call for tenders for the public distribution of fruit in schools in Luxembourg for the 2025/2026 school year was open – it covered the considerable quantity of 156 tonnes of fruit.

Mouvement Ecologique has once again criticised (*"it's always the same old story"*) the fact that the Ministry of Agriculture does not take sufficient account of environmental and health considerations: despite the opportunity to promote organic farming, regional produce and the reduction of pesticide residues in children, the tender remains focused on price and the 'perfection' of the fruit.

According to Mouvement Écologique, Restopolis shows that with clear criteria regarding regional and organic products, it is possible to promote organic farming and offer planning security to producers. One wonders why the Ministry of Agriculture is not taking this approach with the school fruit scheme.



## REFORM OF THE CURRENT FOOD PRODUCTION SYSTEM

The Ministry of Agriculture had invited stakeholders to give their views on the future development of food production in Luxembourg.

In May 2025, Mouvement Ecologique submitted its position paper on this subject.

Key demands include a reorientation of agricultural policy with increased support for organic farming, the protection of agricultural land and a reduction in pesticide use, the development of regional marketing structures, as well as a requirement to offer organic and regional products in public canteens.

Furthermore, Mouvement Ecologique has called for a broader public debate on agriculture and food – extending beyond the narrow circle of stakeholders in the agricultural sector.

## DISCUSSION WITH THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, MARTINE HANSEN

In May, the Mouvement Écologique held a two-hour discussion with Minister Martine Hansen, attended by several senior officials from the ministry.

The topics discussed included public subsidies for greenhouses, the contamination of water and wine by chemicals from asbestos cement, pesticide residues in food, and the reform of the Nature Conservation Act.

The exchange was fairly direct and open, although significant differences of opinion emerged during the discussion. The lack of a platform on which the agricultural sector, environmental organisations and consumers could work together to develop solutions was deemed particularly critical.

Mouvement Ecologique regretted in particular that the minister – according to Mecos – had not spoken out strongly enough in favour of organic farming and the need to reform agriculture with a view to sustainability. According to Mouvement Ecologique, this would amount to neglecting the central challenges facing agriculture, to the detriment of biodiversity, health and, ultimately, agriculture itself.



## PROPOSALS FOR THE REFORM OF HUNTING PRACTICES

### Expert conference on forest-based hunting strategies

To mark International Day of Forests in March 2025, Mouvement Ecologique, in collaboration with an alliance of nine organisations – including natur&ëmwelt, ProSilva Luxembourg and the Federation of Hunting Associations of Luxembourg – organised a public conference on forest-focused hunting strategies. This conference was a logical follow-up to the joint statements on the issue of hunting issued in the preceding months.

The focus was on how excessive game populations endanger the natural regeneration of forests, reduce biodiversity and cause significant economic damage. Frank Christian Heute, a wildlife ecologist and president of the Association for Ecological Hunting in North Rhine-Westphalia, used concrete examples to demonstrate how hunting that respects animal welfare and is ecosystem-focused can ensure natural regeneration – whilst questioning the feasibility of such an approach given current game management practices.

The conference was deliberately aimed not only at professionals but also at all interested parties, and highlighted the need for a radical shift in mindset – among both forest owners and hunters – in the face of worsening climate change and the pressure on forest ecosystems.

### Hunting practices must be reformed

In May 2025, Mouvement Ecologique, in collaboration with seven other organisations – including Lëtzebuurger Privatbësch, Pro Silva Lëtzebuerg, natur&ëmwelt and the Hëllef fir d'Na-tur Foundation – presented a detailed statement on the reform of hunting practices at national level. The central concern was the culling of wild game populations, a prerequisite for the survival of Luxembourg's forests.

The position paper included 14 specific demands aimed at reconciling nature conservation, hunting and animal welfare: from the introduction of scientific monitoring tools in every hunting ground and measurable regeneration targets – with the oak as an indicator species – to clear penalties for non-compliance. A fundamental reform of the hunting lease system was also called for, with shorter, performance-based contracts, stricter selection criteria for hunting leaseholders, and a democratisation of hunting to benefit young, locally-based hunters.

Furthermore, the organisations called for enhanced environmental training for hunters, better support for forest owners in assessing damage, and the introduction of minimum standards in lease agreements. The statement emphasised that hunting must, in future, fulfil a clearly defined societal role.





### WILD HONEYSUCKLE IN THE EU NOW ON THE RED LIST – APPEAL TO THE RELEVANT MINISTERS

Following a European study that classified wild honey bees as a threatened species on the IUCN Red List, Mouvement Ecologique has once again called on the Minister for Agriculture, Martine Hansen, and the Minister for the Environment, Serge Wilmes. They have demanded the repeal of a legal obligation still in force that mandates the destruction of wild bee nests – an anachronism that is no longer tenable in view of the decline in biodiversity. A letter on this subject sent in 2022 to the then Minister for Agriculture remained unanswered.

### GET INVOLVED 'ACTION HARE' ENTERS ITS NEXT PHASE

The citizen science initiative dedicated to the brown hare continued in 2025. As part of the "Action Hare" participation campaign, Mouvement Écologique called on citizens to report their sightings of brown hares via the iNa app

The aim was to collect data on the distribution of a species that is poorly documented scientifically due to the lack of official national monitoring.

The brown hare is representative of many species found in the agricultural landscape, whose populations have declined due to the loss of habitat features and the increase in monocultures, the use of pesticides and road traffic.



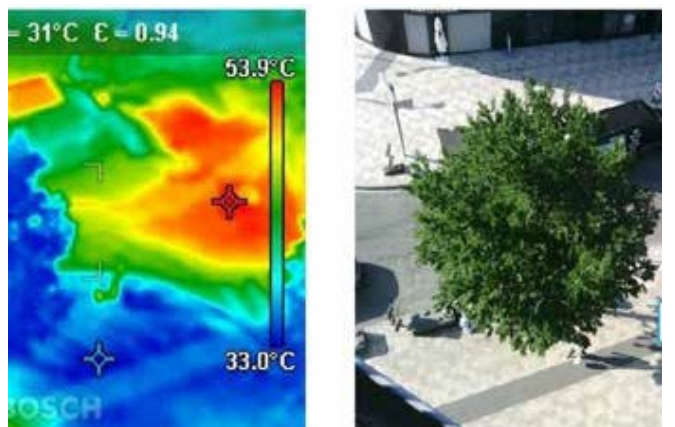
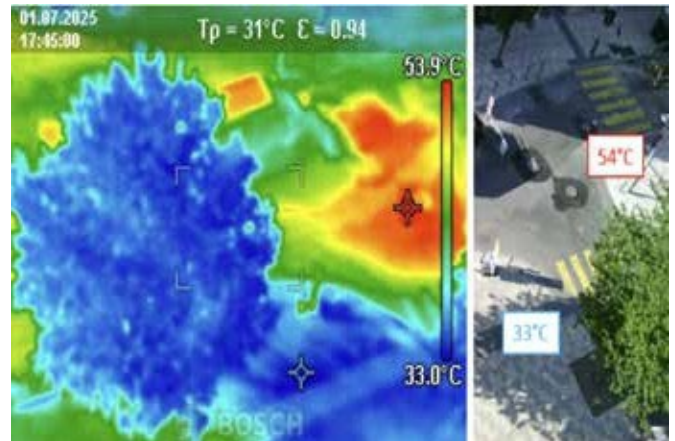
### HANEBOSCH CASE IN DÉIFFERDENG: DESTRUCTION OF A PROTECTED FOREST FOR AN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE?

In spring 2025, Mouvement Ecologique opposed the planned felling of two hectares of the 'Sternmieren-Eichen-Hainbuchenwald' protected forest in the Haneboesch near Niederkorn, which is to make way for an expanding industrial estate. Although the intervention is in principle legal, the Nature Conservation Act stipulates that certain compensatory measures aimed at protecting the animal and plant species living there must be implemented before felling work begins. Following an on-site inspection, Mouvement Ecologique concluded that these measures had not yet been fully implemented. It therefore sent a letter from its lawyer to the Ministry of the Environment, threatening to take immediate legal action in the event of a breach of the Nature Conservation Act.

### A GLIMPSE OF THE FUTURE? – THE HEAT WAVE SHOWS HOW ESSENTIAL GREEN SPACES ARE IN URBAN AREAS

On 2 July 2025, at the height of a heatwave with temperatures reaching up to 38°C, Mouvement Ecologique published a press release featuring striking thermal images of towns and villages in Luxembourg. In this press release, it urged local authorities to embark on ambitious, immediate and coherent green planning – because, due to climate change, such heatwaves will occur more frequently and last longer in the future.

Mouvement Écologique emphasised that vegetation and tree shade not only cool the microclimate and improve the quality of public spaces, but also have positive effects on biodiversity and public health.



## EXAMPLE OF AN AWARENESS CAMPAIGN 'LISTENING TO NATURE'

The song of a lark, the buzzing of bees or a rustling hidden in the leaves: all these sounds bear witness to the living, diverse nature that surrounds us day after day – often unnoticed and drowned out by everyday noise. Unfortunately, many of these voices are becoming increasingly rare. This is precisely where the campaign 'An Ear for Nature', run by the Mouvement Ecologique from late April to November 2025, was very well received by the public.

During this period, **two short videos** were published each month on endangered animal species found in Luxembourg's towns and countryside – each accompanied by an animal sound puzzle.

The animals featured were selected so that they could actually be heard in the wild at the time the video was published. At the end of each video, the call of the next species could already be heard, and participants were asked to guess which one it was. Participants could submit their answers by email or in the comments on Facebook and Instagram; for each video, a voucher for an organic shop was raffled off among the correct answers.

A total of 14 animal species were featured, each accompanied by a fact sheet detailing its habitat, the causes of its endangerment and specific conservation measures:

1. Proyer's Bunting
2. Hedgehog
3. The swallow and the swallow's nest
4. Field cricket
5. Midwife toad
6. Dragonflies
7. Long-eared bat
8. Swallow
9. Marsh grasshopper

**En Ouer fir d'Natur**  
Lead an ear to nature

**PROFILE**  
LUX: LITTLE BIRDS, DEAR BIRDS  
LAT: ALAUDA ARVENSIS

**Who is singing and chirping so insistently above the field...?**

**Did you recognise the song of the skylark in the clip?**

The skylark is particularly well known for its melodious, long and steady song, which it sings during what is known as its 'song flight'. During this, the male rises in wide spirals to a height of several dozen metres in the sky – often so high that he is nothing more than a tiny dot – and sings there without interruption for up to 15 minutes (!). This is how, during the spring mating season, the male marks his territory and attracts females. Unlike the skylark, most other songbirds sing from a perch, often for much shorter periods and in a less conspicuous manner.

**Keep your eyes and ears peeled on your next walk from April onwards! Their song can be heard from afar, but who will be the first to spot them in the sky?**

**Lifestyle and needs**

The skylark is heavily dependent on open landscapes consisting of farmland. However, these areas must not be too 'uniform', meaning they must not consist solely of very large, intensively farmed fields. The skylark needs variety, for example through strips between fields where grasses and herbs grow, known as 'field margins', or parts of fields left fallow for a certain period. The skylark is also found in sparsely sown fields and nutrient poor meadows with low vegetation.

It needs the features and refuges mentioned above to be able to build its nest in peace. Indeed, it builds its nest on the ground, it is what is known as a ground-nesting bird.

10. House sparrow
11. Booted Eagle
12. Dormouse
13. Wildcat
14. Little owl

An information **sheet** has been published for each species, detailing its habitat, the threats it faces and concrete conservation measures (including suggestions for the general public).

The campaign aimed to raise public awareness of native (endangered) biodiversity in an engaging way, to highlight lesser-known species, and to ask the following question: what concrete steps can policymakers – and indeed every individual – take to preserve these species and their habitats?



## PODCAST 'OUERESTËPPLER' – EPISODE 1: "IS OUR FOREST SICK?"

In March 2025, Mouvement Ecologique launched the podcast 'Ouerestëppler'. In the first episode, the two biologists and forestry experts Roger Schauls and Jacques Pir discussed the current challenges facing Luxembourg's forests.

During the conversation, they highlighted the impact of climate change, drought and excessive wildlife populations on forest ecosystems.

## COURSE AND VIDEO SERIES ON NATURAL FARMING 'SPARE ME THE SPADE'

In 2025, Mouvement Ecologique organised this course in collaboration with 'Krautgart', a very popular course on natural market gardening based on the 'No-Dig' principle – that is, growing vegetables without tilling, chemical fertilisers or pesticides. The course attracted many participants and provided practical advice on how to make a vegetable garden efficient, sustainable and soil-friendly.

To reach a wider audience and raise awareness, the course content was filmed: four detailed episodes guide participants through

the different seasons and cover planning, seed propagation, maintenance and harvesting.

Shorter clips offer personalised tips and advice for your own garden (these will continue until 2026). The video series and clips are available to the public to encourage a wider audience to grow vegetables in an environmentally friendly and resource-efficient way.

## NATURNO GARDENING TIPS FOR MEMBERS

Throughout the year, the Mouvement Écologique has provided its members with practical advice for a nature-friendly approach to gardens, balconies and outdoor spaces. In spring, for example, people were encouraged to create a wildflower meadow using mixtures of native wildflower seeds.

In autumn, however, the message was: 'Do more by doing nothing' – because perennials left in place and plant debris provide insects, birds and mammals with valuable shelter and food for the winter.

## "OUT INTO NATURE!" – EXCURSIONS 2025

In 2025, the Mouvement Écologique, in collaboration with its regional groups, organised a series of nature excursions for its members and other interested parties. All the excursions combined experiences in nature with the sharing of knowledge on topics such as biodiversity, forest health and measures to protect the habitats visited.

The series kicked off on 13 April with a morning **birdwatching walk** in Rollingen, near Mersch, led by ornithologist Max Steinmetz.

Two weeks later, on 27 April, Roger Schauls led a **walk in the forest** to the 'Plateau Haard' near Mersch, where the damage caused to trees by wild animals and practical solutions were the focus of discussion.

On 18 May, Mouvement Ecologique, in collaboration with *the Association of Luxembourg Biologists* (ABIOL), organised an **excursion** to discover orchids at 'Hêlt', near Rosport, led by biologist Jean-Marie Mangen.



In June, a night-time walk with the Forestry Service followed at 'Echerfeld', an initiative focusing on **innovative nature conservation projects** on the outskirts of Luxembourg City, followed by a community barbecue.

The season concluded with a walk through the **picturesque Eisch Valley** in the company of Roger Schauls and Marc Schoellen.

## VISIT TO THE HISTORIC GARDENS OF AANSEBUERG

In June 2025, the regional association 'Mersch and its surroundings' organised an informative tour of the historic vegetable gardens of Aansenburg. In addition to the magnificent castle gardens, extensive vegetable gardens were also showcased, dedicated not only to food production but above all to the preservation and propagation of regional heirloom seeds certified as organic – varieties that are sometimes no longer available on the market. The tour was led by Frank Adams, founder of the 'Seed' platform dedicated to the preservation of heirloom varieties. The event allowed participants to discover for themselves the importance of seed diversity, biodiversity and sustainable agriculture, and to find inspiration for their own gardens or regional projects.

## THE SCARECROW SPEAKS: MAKE WAY FOR BIODIVERSITY!

To mark **International Biodiversity Day** in May 2025, the Mouvement Écologique action group sent an unusual ambassador out into the field: **the scarecrow** – reimagined, this time not to scare away birds, but to attract biodiversity. These charming installations have appeared in various locations across Luxembourg City, showing passers-by where 'nature is still thriving' and where it is not at all. The aim was to demonstrate **that there are oases of biodiversity in towns and cities**, and that it is worth preserving, improving and raising awareness of them.



## COLLABORATION ON THE PLATFORM 'MY FARMING': NEW ROOTS FOR OUR AGRICULTURE – A CALL FOR A FAIR AND FORWARD-LOOKING AGRICULTURAL POLICY

On 30 June 2025, the "My Agriculture" platform, of which Mouvement Écologique is also a member, published the fourth edition of its advocacy document for an agricultural policy.

The 19 member organisations are calling for a fundamental reorientation of agricultural policy based on the principle of *'public money for the public good'* – with eight concrete proposals for greater sustainability, biodiversity, animal welfare and regional value creation.



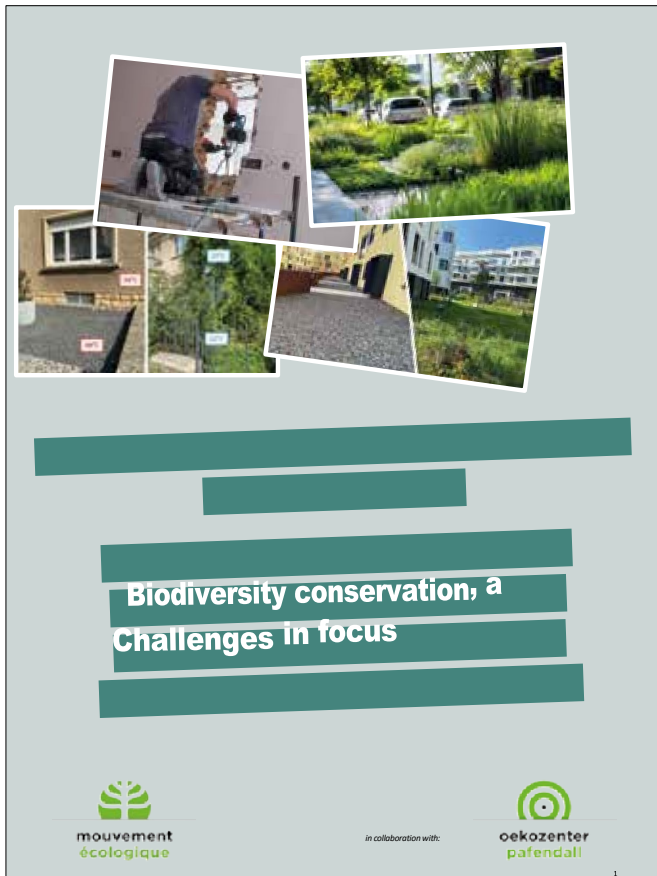


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## Practical work and environmental policy briefs

The environmental policy briefs support the Mouvement Écologique throughout the year. The scope is very broad: from local government policy to transport issues, including water protection.

It is precisely these issues that are particularly close to many people's hearts.



## HOUSEEUROPE!: STOP DEMOLITION – PRIORITISE RENOVATION AND REHABILITATION OF HOUSING

... this was the slogan of a joint initiative led by numerous stakeholders from the fields of architecture, heritage conservation, academia and the environment, including Mouvement Écologique, etc.

The common goal: to drive forward renovation by significantly improving the framework conditions set by policymakers. Only by renovating more rather than building new can we achieve our climate targets and ensure the necessary conservation of resources. However, this must also be prioritised from a social, urban planning and cultural perspective.

The HouseEurope! initiative aimed to collect 4 million signatures across Europe to kick-start this crucial change and make renovation in Luxembourg and across Europe easier, more cost-effective and more accessible than demolition.

The event kicked off with a major joint event at 'Tramschapp', during which experts emphasised to an audience of over 250 people the importance of renovation – but also demonstrated just how attractive and modern it can be today.

Although it was not possible to collect the required signatures across Europe, the importance of renovation is now a hot topic. It is now essential to maintain this momentum.



## NEW NATIONAL BUILDING REGULATIONS: THE GREEN TRANSITION AS A KEY ELEMENT

In 2024, the government presented its strategy entitled 'Build more and faster'. One of its key elements is a national 'building code', i.e. a national building code that will apply to all local authorities. Until now, each local authority had its own building regulations. The Ministry of the Interior is currently drafting a national building code that will apply to all municipalities.

For many reasons, the Mouvement Ecologique welcomes the creation and implementation of such national regulations (uniform standards across the country, in the interests of citizens, time savings for municipalities, planning certainty, etc.). Why – to cite just one frequently mentioned example – the distance at which a solar installation must be situated from a neighbouring building varies from one municipality to another is, in fact, no longer comprehensible, professionally justifiable or appropriate. Well-designed national regulations can therefore bring about substantial improvements and simplifications for everyone.

However, according to Mouvement Ecologique and Oekozenfer Pafendall, it is essential that this process is not limited to non-technical adjustments and harmonisation, but that it also addresses **current challenges, namely: the urgent need for climate and biodiversity protection, adaptation to climate change, the transport transition, and the efficient use of resources.** Renovations must also be facilitated; the requirements imposed on them can no longer be the same as those applicable to new builds. The project must also be discussed with all stakeholders.

A joint position paper has been drafted and circulated to all stakeholders. It has received positive feedback and sparked numerous discussions.

## GOOGLE DATA CENTRE: THE COMMITMENT CONTINUES

For a very long time, there was silence surrounding the 'Google data centre' in Bissen.

In 2025, however, Mouvement Ecologique was informed that the draft environmental impact assessment (albeit somewhat 'concealed' and under the name 'London Bridge') on the Ministry of the Environment's website. Statements from various ministries regarding this project were also available there.

These documents were highly revealing, as they highlighted several key points:

- For years, the Mouvement Ecologique had been pointing out that Google would require 10 to 15% of Luxembourg's annual water consumption for cooling, whereas this water was not available. How many times did we then hear from official sources: "We can manage it all; that's an exaggeration." ' And now? The facts prove Mouvement Ecologique right! Google is abandoning water cooling and has now opted for air cooling.

- The documents also show that Google must provide much more detailed information if we are finally to put an end to the lack of transparency in this case. Indeed, the dossier contains problematic passages and is characterised by a lack of transparency; amongst other things, it is not clear in detail how cooling will be provided, and there is a lack of concrete figures and specifications regarding energy consumption and the use of waste heat, etc. The liberal invocation of commercial confidentiality in the dossier is also questionable.

This is reason enough for Mouvement Ecologique to intervene with L. Delles, Minister for the Economy, SMEs, Energy and Tourism, and S. Wilmes, Minister for the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, in order to once again draw attention to the importance of this dossier.

## WATER MANAGEMENT, WASTE, NOISE, THE COMODO-INCOMODO CASE, ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY: A DAILY COMMITMENT

It is clear that environmental policy is the guiding principle of Mouvement Ecologique's work. Citizens are supported, for example, when they need information on air quality, wish to raise objections in the context of applications for operating licences, etc.

The limited nature of Luxembourg's water resources has also been a recurring theme – the fact that Luxembourg is currently and blatantly failing to meet its water management targets; issues regarding air pollution have also been raised, etc.

These issues are integrated into the day-to-day work of the Mouvement Écologique, through various policy statements, public consultations, etc.



## FOR A FORWARD-LOOKING POLICY ON SPATIAL PLANNING, MOBILITY AND HOUSING

In various ways, the Mouvement Écologique campaigns for a different form of mobility. Promoting sustainable mobility and public transport is a priority. However, it is also a question of making private cars less attractive (for example, by limiting the number of available parking spaces). This perspective runs through the Mouvement Écologique's various positions and forms the basis of its work.

The same applies to spatial planning and housing policy. Unfortunately, it must be acknowledged that urban sprawl has not been curbed, that the housing crisis has long since reached dramatic proportions, and that **spatial planning** is more than ever relegated to **the background**. It is essential that spatial planning redefines the framework for housing and mobility policy and no longer merely chases after growth.

Discussions on spatial planning guidelines, on various aspects of housing construction such as the densification of town centres and new housing developments equipped with communal social and green spaces, as well as on the importance of **reducing** land consumption... are issues that feature daily in the Mouvement écologique's agenda.

Where do new housing developments make sense? How can an urban development project be made more sustainable? What does attractive, 'denser' and high-quality construction look like? How can we create **attractive public spaces that offer a good quality of life**? How much 'green' space should be preserved or newly created, and where? These questions, among others, occupied the Mouvement Écologique in 2025.

The Mouvement Écologique is also frequently approached by citizens who need help with construction and development projects in their local area. As a general rule, the Mouvement Écologique does not follow these cases in detail. There are simply too many of them. The main aim is to advise those concerned, with the aim of helping them to help themselves. However, in certain cases, Mouvement Écologique plays an active role, particularly when the matter has particularly significant consequences and there are regional representatives or active members in the local area or region.

## LET'S GIVE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY THE PLACE IT DESERVES!

In the eyes of the general public, environmental policy is often associated with environmental offences, breaches of limit values (particularly regarding air quality) and the 'environmental scandals' that make the headlines.

In this context, particular attention must be paid to **preventive environmental protection**, which aims, on the one hand, to prevent such developments and, on the other, to guarantee citizens a high quality of the environment. Mouvement Ecologique works towards this in its daily activities.

## THE EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT AGENCY GIVES LUXEMBOURG A POOR RATING!

At the end of September, the European Environment Agency published its 2025 report on the state of the environment in the European Union, which, in addition to a general analysis, also includes country-specific chapters on the various EU Member States. The analysis concerning Luxembourg is, unfortunately, rather disappointing: we are far from achieving our sustainability targets in many areas. The Mouvement Écologique has published this report.



## Close to the people – of the Mouvement

The regional branches of Mouvement Écologique form the essential local and regional backbone of Mouvement Écologique.

Thanks to the regional branches, national issues can be addressed at a local level, knowledge can be shared, and issues can be tackled at the level of a municipality or region.

The regional branches are active to varying degrees throughout the year, depending on the issues and current events.

In principle, members of the regional sections also participate in national issues and contribute their experience.

## REGIONAL BRANCHES – A KEY PILLAR OF THE ECOLOGICAL MOVEMENT

Local regional sections are of paramount importance to the Mouvement Ecologique: it is indeed at the municipal or regional level that the Mouvement Ecologique's ideas can come to life, and that municipalities can play a leading pioneering role.

It is also important that the Mouvement Ecologique has people on the ground who are able to get involved, even when controversial issues arise within a municipality.

It is therefore essential that these people live in the municipality, get involved, develop positive visions and exchange ideas at a local level.

Would you like to get involved in a regional group? Perhaps you'd like to set one up in your own municipality?

In that case, please contact us: [meco@oeko.lu](mailto:meco@oeko.lu).

The regional sections are open to all contributions.



### The regional sections of the Mouvement Ecologique:

- Mersch and the surrounding area

- Mëllerdall

- Nordstad

- Syrdall

- Uelzecht Valley

- City of Luxembourg

- South





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# stëftung oekofonds

**Making a difference -**

**Stëftung Oekofonds**

For over 30 years, the Oekofonds Foundation has been supporting projects promoting sustainable development and has launched many of them.

For the Mouvement Écologique in particular, the foundation's support is essential.

It is only thanks to the donations collected, combined with membership fees, that a certain

The Mouvement Écologique's independence from public funding is thus ensured.

The diversity of the projects supported is truly remarkable, as the following list shows.

# The Oekofonds Foundation:

## Your support for innovative projects!

*In 1987, Mouvement Ecologique established the non-profit Oekofonds Foundation. Since then, the foundation has supported a wide variety of projects promoting sustainable development. In 2025, too, thanks to numerous donations, the Oekofonds Foundation was once again able to support many important projects. We would like to briefly introduce these projects to you, so that you can see for yourself that every donation you make is worthwhile. We would like to take this opportunity to warmly thank all our donors and hope that you will continue to support the foundation.*

### RETHINKING AND SHAPING THE FUTURE TOGETHER! FOR A STRONG MECO

Mouvement Ecologique is tirelessly committed to sustainable development, for current generations but above all for future generations.

In doing so, it takes a critical look at current developments, devises practical solutions – often on a voluntary basis – and implements concrete projects.

In 2025, numerous initiatives were carried out: from protecting biodiversity and greening our cities to raising awareness about pesticides, promoting a socially just energy transition and challenging the imperative of growth.

All these activities are only possible thanks to Mouvement Écologique's financial independence from public bodies and, consequently, thanks to its members and the donations made to the Oekofonds Foundation.

### GIVING NATURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT A LEGAL VOICE

However important awareness-raising campaigns, creative projects, policy statements and the like may be, it is sometimes necessary to take legal action.

This is the case, for example, with Google's data centre in Bissen, where Mouvement Écologique is doing everything in its power to prevent a fait accompli from being created without the environmental impact of this facility having been disclosed and without the concerns

But legal assistance is not only needed in the Google case.

It is also needed when, for example, the right of access to information is not respected, controversial nature conservation permits are granted, problematic construction projects are planned, or ill-conceived reforms of key environmental laws are proposed. Generally speaking, legal cases are becoming increasingly important. These naturally incur costs, for which donations are urgently needed.

### MOVE – A DYNAMIC YOUTH SECTION

The Mouvement Ecologique's youth movement has been very active since its inception. Committed young people can work together there for their future. This concerns issues close to their hearts, as move members are free to decide which activities they wish to undertake. Topics such as consumption, vegetarianism, agriculture... are addressed by them through campaigns, workshops, courses, practical projects, educational resources for schools and much more.

### FOE – INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT

Le Mouvement Écologique is a member of the international alliance 'Friends of the Earth'. Member organisations from various countries, particularly – though not exclusively – those in the Global South, regularly appeal to 'financially stronger' organisations for financial support.

These appeals range from requests for assistance with legal cases (for example, when environmental activists are summoned to court) to support for projects combating climate change, opposing oil companies, and so on. In a spirit of global solidarity, it is essential to give particular support to these organisations in their commitment!

### OEKOFEST 2025

In 2025, the Oekofestival took place in Pafendall. Once again, hundreds of people were able to meet, exchange ideas, discuss issues and attend concerts

attend concerts, visit information stands on the theme of 'transition', take part in guided tours, and so on.

Organising such a festival comes at a cost, which is why the support of the Oekofonds Foundation was particularly important.

## **THE MECOSCOPE FOR THE 2023–2028 LEGISLATIVE TERM: A MEASURE OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PROMISES SET OUT IN THE COALITION AGREEMENT**

In 2024, the Mecoskop tool was relaunched. On the trilingual website [www.mecoskop.lu](http://www.mecoskop.lu), the Mouvement Ecologique regularly analyses the extent to which the government has implemented its own sustainable development pledges set out in the coalition agreement and assesses the progress made in their implementation ([www.mecoskop.lu](http://www.mecoskop.lu)).

There is also a version in German, French and English. A total of 77 government statements are examined.

The analysis is carried out objectively on the basis of publicly available facts. The Mecoskop is therefore one of the few objective tools for measuring the government's work and can serve as a guide for any citizen interested in sustainable development.

In 2025, the Mecoskop was updated and took a stance on whether the government is meeting the standards it has set for itself.

## **COMMITMENT TO BIODIVERSITY AND UPHOLDING THE NS LAW – MORE CONSTRUCTION AND GREENING IN MUNICIPALITIES**

Thanks to the support of the Oekofonds Foundation and, in part, in collaboration with the Oeko-Zentrum Pafendall, the Mouvement Ecologique once again made a strong commitment in 2025 to the preservation of biodiversity.

In particular, it has been demonstrated that Luxembourg is far from meeting its conservation targets, and concrete proposals have been put forward to better protect our ecosystems.

In addition, excursions were organised and a firm stance was taken against attempts to undermine the Nature Conservation Act, amongst other things.

However, promoting greater urban greening was also a key focus. Given the climate crisis and urban heat island effects in particular, it is extremely important to implement greening measures today so that cities heat up less 'tomorrow'.

## **FOR A SOCIALLY JUST ENERGY TRANSITION / CLIMATE PROTECTION**

Social and environmental issues are inextricably linked. This is particularly true in the energy sector.

It is households with fewer financial resources that, on the one hand, suffer most from rising energy prices and, on the other hand, do not have sufficient means to, for example, insulate their homes.

This is why Mouvement Ecologique, thanks in particular to the financial support of the Oekofonds Foundation, is paying particular attention to this issue in 2025. This initiative is also partly part of a collaboration with the Chamber of Employees and the OGBL and LCGB trade unions.

One of the key issues has been the Luxembourg Climate and Social Plan, which our country is required to draw up in accordance with EU requirements.

Given the worsening climate crisis, numerous activities have also been organised to ensure that Luxembourg, on the one hand, reduces its <sup>CO<sub>2</sub></sup> emissions to the required extent and prepares at European level for progressive climate protection. This is more important than ever, especially given the trends towards deregulation at European level.

## **NO TO PERFLUOROCARBONS - NO TO PESTICIDES**

In 2025, Mouvement Ecologique, through its network of foreign partner organisations, carried out numerous analyses to determine the extent to which our food is contaminated by persistent substances and pesticides.

Unfortunately, the result is shocking: the burden of 'forever chemicals' is increasing – and that of pesticides is ubiquitous.

It is urgent that we act now to ensure that these levels of contamination do not continue to rise, but instead decrease.

In 2025, Mouvement Ecologique addressed these issues with great consistency: food analyses, statements, conferences and debates.

It succeeded in making these issues a matter of public and political interest. Mouvement Ecologique's actions have generated a great deal of interest. However, for concrete changes to take place, these actions must continue in 2026.

## **FOR GREATER SUPPORT FOR ORGANIC FARMING**

Thanks to its involvement in the Restopolis project, the Mouvement Écologique, notably through the Oekofonds Foundation, has succeeded in opening up a new market for its organic farmers in Luxembourg. This has been of paramount importance.

However, there is still much to be done to promote organic farming.

That is why similar initiatives were also supported in 2025.

## Your donation for people, nature and the environment

We sincerely thank you for every donation!

If you feel it is worthwhile to support our work financially, you can do so by making a one-off donation or setting up a standing order.

Projects can only be successfully carried out thanks to the support of many people. You can support us and our initiatives with a one-off donation. We would be delighted to send you further information on interesting projects. You also have the option of making a donation to the Oekofonds Foundation to mark a birth, a birthday, a wedding or a bereavement.

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# KLIMA BÜNDNIS LËTZEBUERG

## Klima-Bündnis Lëtzebuerg

For over 25 years, the member municipalities of the Luxembourg Climate Alliance, together with the two supporting organisations Mouvement Écologique and ASTM, in collaboration with their indigenous partners in the Global South, have been committed to climate protection at the local level and global climate justice.

In Luxembourg, 40 municipalities are members of the Climate Alliance, and more than two-thirds of the population live in a municipality that is a member of the Climate Alliance.

As our way of life has a direct impact on the people and places on our planet that are particularly at risk, the Climate Alliance links local action to global responsibility.

With over 1,800 members from 27 European countries, the Climate Alliance is the world's largest network of cities dedicated to climate protection.

## NEW GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

Following the new law on non-profit organisations of 2023, the question of whether the current structure of Klima-Bündnis Luxembourg was fit for the future was the subject of in-depth consideration in 2025. In particular, regarding the accounts of KB-Luxembourg managed by Mouvement Ecologique – alongside its own accounts – the question arose as to whether this approach was still appropriate, or whether Klima-Bündnis Luxembourg would be better served by becoming an independent ‘legal entity’. This review was conducted within the context of the opportunities offered by such a status, particularly in terms of financial policy and staff management. In December 2025, the plenary assembly decided to establish an independent ‘asbl Klima-Bündnis Lëtzebuerg’, which has been the umbrella organisation for the network of municipalities since 1 January 2026.

## CELEBRATION OF THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF CLIMATE ALLIANCE LUXEMBOURG

In 2025, Climate Alliance Luxembourg celebrated its 30th anniversary. To mark the occasion, a central event was organised on 4 July, modelled on ‘Climate Day’, featuring conferences, tours, communication activities and award ceremonies.

## ENERGY CARAVAN

The principle behind the Energy Caravan is to make it as easy as possible for citizens to access an initial free energy consultation by bringing the energy authority directly to their homes rather than asking them to visit the local office. Whilst Klima-Bündnis Luxembourg provides support in contacting citizens and documenting the project, the on-site energy consultation is carried out by the national advisory centre, Klima-Agence.

Following the success of the energy caravans carried out in recent years in the municipalities of Strassen, Betzdorf, Hesperingen and Junglinster, this campaign continued in the municipality of Niederanven in 2025.

## SOIL PROTECTION IS CLIMATE PROTECTION

In 2025, Klima-Bündnis Luxembourg organised a seminar entitled ‘Introduction to Permaculture’, aimed at amateur gardeners as well as community garden project leaders and coordinators.

The focus was on the careful management of soil resources (crop rotation, soil cultivation, compost, etc.). Twenty people took part.



## GOGO VELO

In 2025, ProVelo asbl and Klima-Bündnis Lëtzebuerg, on behalf of the Ministry of Mobility, ran the new cycling promotion campaign on two occasions. At the start of the summer, the focus was on schoolchildren, and in the autumn, on the general public. Local authorities and regions had the opportunity to add extra challenges with prize draws. The aim of the campaign remains to encourage more people than before to use bicycles in their daily lives. At the same time, the aim is to collect reliable data on the uptake of such a campaign. In 2025, nearly 2,000 participants registered for GoGo Velo and cycled a total of over 630,000 kilometres.

## KIDS' FEET AROUND THE WORLD 2025

Every two years, Luxembourg takes part in this pan-European campaign, which aims to persuade primary school pupils (and their parents) to leave the ‘parental taxi’ at home and travel to school, sports activities or music lessons on foot, by bike or by bus/train. Every journey made by children using a mode of transport other than a car is rewarded with a ‘green kilometre’. In 2025, around 2,200 children took part.



## CO-ORGANISATION OF WORKSHOPS ON THE CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STRATEGY

As a partner organisation of the Climate Pact, Klima-Bündnis Luxembourg played a key role in organising, planning and implementing expert workshops on the national ‘Climate Change Adaptation’ strategy.

## PARTICIPATION IN THE CLIMATE PLATFORM

As a member of the Climate Platform, Klima-Bündnis Luxembourg has on several occasions submitted written comments on various studies and strategies, such as the PNEC or the Social Climate Plan.

## ACCOUNTING FOR MUNICIPAL CO2 EMISSIONS UNDER THE CLIMATE PACT

As part of the agreement with the MECDD, baseline inventories have been established for all municipalities in the Climate Pact using the ECOSPEED Region tool, in collaboration with the national energy agency Klima-Agence and other government bodies. The Ministry covers the associated costs, including the purchase of a national licence for ECOSPEED Region, the necessary working hours and the processing of municipal transport data. KB Luxembourg’s primary interest in the context of such an official mandate remains the improvement of the data situation, at both municipal and national levels. However, over the course of the year, new obstacles to the availability of data—essential for calculating transport-related emissions—have emerged. In collaboration with Klima-Agence and the Ministry of the Environment, we worked to overcome this obstacle.

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