



Acronym	FAB
Full Title	Forest for All Beings
Grant Theme	Citizen and stakeholder engagement in Climate-Smart Forestry and forest restoration
Participants	Cirka cph ApS, Denmark (<i>coordinator</i>) University of Copenhagen Skovskolen, Denmark
Start Date	March 2026
Duration	16 months
Description	Forest for All Beings develops and tests an inclusive and novel framework for engaging citizens and stakeholders in Climate-Smart Forestry (CSF) and forest restoration. CSF sets priorities for biodiversity, resilience, healthy soils, and carbon storage. Yet there remains an opportunity to engage citizens, NGOs, and local knowledge more directly in shaping these outcomes. The framework draws inspiration from participatory approaches such as the Council of All Beings, Interspecies Council, and Parliament of Things, integrating their principles into a new practice for forest dialogue and decision-making. By inviting participants to speak both on behalf of themselves and of forest beings and ecosystems, the method expands ecological awareness, dissolves hierarchies, and fosters empathy and shared responsibility. The framework will be developed and tested locally through pilot case studies with University of Copenhagen (KU) Skovskolen, engaging local communities, NGOs, and municipal stakeholders in both forest management and policy-oriented contexts. Students from the Forest and Landscape Engineering programme will over a course of two consecutive academic years develop and carry out facilitation, bridging academic learning with real-world restoration challenges. Insights from these pilots will be incorporated into the Forest for All Beings Engagement Toolkit, shared through the Forest-Ward Observatory and relevant KU platforms. By connecting CSF priorities with inclusive, participatory, and place-based processes, the project advances democratic, resilient, and biodiversity-oriented forest management and restoration practices across Europe.



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