



Aurubis employees plant 2,000 saplings in Princebos (Turnhout)

- » 19 native tree species were planted by Aurubis colleagues and Natuurpunt volunteers.
- » Aurubis concludes a valuable partnership with Natuurpunt with this planting.
- » Thanks to this planting action, the forest within the Turnhout ring road will be completed.

Olen/Beerse/Turnhout, 16 November 2024 - Aurubis is pushing ahead with the further planting of the Princebos (extension of the Van de Velderreservaat) in Turnhout. This location was the setting for the Aurubis tree planting day on Saturday afternoon. Colleagues from Aurubis Beerse and Aurubis Olen, together with their families and local Natuurpunt volunteers, planted a total of about 2,000 trees.

Aurubis has two sites in the Kempen region: in Olen and in Beerse. The sites belong to the Aurubis Group, a leading global supplier of non-ferrous metals and one of the largest copper recycling companies in the world. Caring for each other and the environment is a core value for Aurubis. "This project is completely in line with our social engagement programme. With this "Aurubis forest" in the Prince Forest, we are greening the region and supporting the expansion of the existing nature reserve. I am delighted to meet our colleagues and their families here today during this tree planting day," said Hans Van de Water, Managing Director Aurubis Olen and Aurubis Beerse.

For Natuurpunt's local branch, it is now the 10th tree-planting campaign in their region. "Together with various partners, we planted forests from Overbroek in the north on the border with the Netherlands, to Winkelsbroek in the south on the border with Kasterlee. Thanks to the support of Aurubis, today we are experiencing an anniversary edition and the forest within the Turnhout ring road is being completed. Together we are working on nature restoration to make our environment more climate-proof and promote the health of plants, animals and people by focusing on more biodiversity," says Achille Van Beurden of Natuurpunt - Turnhoutse Kempen division.

A combination of as many as 19 native tree species was planted. With the planting of this forest, Aurubis concludes a valuable and sustainable partnership with Natuurpunt.

Two Kempen Aurubis branches

As a high-performance metal recycling plant, Aurubis Olen processes blister, copper and multi-metal recycling materials in the Aurubis smelter network. The company employs over 700 people and produces copper cathodes, copper wire (Rod), oxygen-free copper wire (Foxrod) and bus bars and profiles (Bars & Profiles) via electro-refining. The Beerse site also operates an electro-refinery department and processes complex recycling materials, ranging from the most complex residues to high-grade scrap types. From these, the company produces metals, metal products and minerals.

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Aurubis Beerse employs more than 500 people.

About Natuurpunt Turnhoutse Kempen

Natuurpunt Turnhoutse Kempen, with over 1,300 member families and 130 active volunteers in Turnhout and Ravels, organizes activities focused on nature study and education, manages nature reserves spanning 1,000 hectares, and contributes to public policy efforts.

The large number of participants in guided tours through the Turnhout Vennengebied, Overbroek, and Kijkverdriet in Ravels, enjoy exploring the area's rich fauna, flora, and management practices while soaking in the stunning surroundings.

Volunteers—130 in total—who love hands-on work can join task forces that regularly operate in the nature reserves. Others deepen their knowledge of birds, plants, and photography by participating in accessible study groups.

The "Buur en Natuur" working group helps non-native newcomers develop an appreciation for the biodiversity in our region. During forest classes, we share our passion for nature with young people. Together with all other Natuurpunt branches, we aim to put nature back in the spotlight.

Aurubis - Metals for Progress

Aurubis AG is one of the world's largest suppliers of non-ferrous metals and the world's largest copper recycler. The company processes complex metal concentrates, scrap and metallic recycling materials into metals of the highest quality. Aurubis produces more than 1 million tonnes of copper cathodes annually and uses them to make various copper products or copper alloys such as continuously cast wire rod and shapes, profiles or flat-rolled products. In addition, Aurubis produces many other metals such as precious metals, selenium, lead, nickel, tin or zinc. Other products such as sulphuric acid or iron silicate complete the portfolio.

Sustainability is an elementary component of Aurubis' strategy. In line with mission statement "Aurubis responsibly creates value from raw materials", the company integrates sustainable (economic) action into its corporate culture. This includes the careful use of natural resources, responsible social and ecological actions in business operations and growth in a sensible and healthy manner.

Aurubis has about 7,200 employees, production facilities in Europe and the US and an extensive global distribution system.

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