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# Mission

BOS+ is an organization dedicated to creating more and better forests (+), supported by a forest-friendly society. Both in Flanders and in the Tropics.

We are the driving force behind actions and policy decisions for the sustainable protection, expansion, and improved management of forests. We contribute to growing awareness of, and broader support for, the crucial role of forests in ensuring a livable future for people, plants, and animals. To this end, BOS+ actively collaborates with partner organizations and can rely on a strong community of ambassadors and donors.

(+) Here, “forest” is understood in the broadest sense: not only forests as defined by legal or ecological criteria, but also urban forests and trees, agroforestry, and wooded landscape elements that connect forests to one another and to the people, fauna, and flora that live in, around, or alongside them.



# Vision

BOS+ strives for a world in which people and forests reinforce one another, and a sustainable future for both humanity and nature is secured.

Forests worldwide are under severe pressure. Their area, health and resilience are declining, making it increasingly difficult for them to fulfil their ecological, social and economic functions. This brings us closer to tipping points for the climate and biodiversity, as well as for human prosperity and well-being. Millions of people depend directly on healthy forests for their livelihoods.

BOS+ believes that the future of people and nature is inextricably linked. We want to reverse this decline by building resilient socio-ecological systems in which people and forests reinforce one another. To achieve this, forests must be expanded, better managed and woven into robust landscapes – with the support of a society that values forests and trees.

BOS+ is helping to shape that future through its unique thematic focus on forests. BOS+ is attuned to the working environment of forest managers and owners in Flanders and our partner countries, as well as to relevant local, regional and international policy. On this basis, we develop a clear vision and can inspire diverse target groups to take action. Because the importance of forests concerns everyone, we work together with partners, businesses, governments and policymakers, in Flanders and in the Tropics. We focus our communication on a broad audience, but also build and invest in



# Strategic objectives

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More forests: forests and trees are protected, expanded, and better connected.

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Healthier forests: forests and trees become more resilient and can continue to fulfill their many functions.

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Forest-friendly society: there is greater public support for more and better forests(+).

