

BOUT2BOUT PROJECT RECEIVES 2019 INTERNATIONAL POLAR FOUNDATION AWARD



The [Bout2Bois wood workshop](#) located at the [Nos Pilifs farm](#) in the Neder-Over-Heembeek Commune of Brussels was chosen as the 2019 winner of the International Polar Foundation Award during the annual [Belgian Energy and Environment Prize](#) ceremony, held at [Tour and Taxis event centre](#) in Brussels on 6 June.

Part of the suite of awards given out under the [Belgian Energy and Environment Prize](#), the International Polar Foundation Award is given every year to an individual or organisation in Belgium for their outstanding achievements in creating sustainable solutions to issues related to the environment and energy use.

Bout2Bois aims to contribute to the circular economy by extending the life cycle of discarded wood and wood products. The workshop transforms the wood into a wide variety of items, including furniture, garden fences and playground equipment.

The workshop is also very socially engaged, as it is adapted to be able to employ people with disabilities.

This year was the 14th time the awards ceremony took place. The International Polar Foundation has been involved in the prize from the start.

A total of 84 projects were in competition for the suite of ten awards given out under the Belgian Energy and Environment Prize. The themes of the activities that were considered under the prize fell under one of six categories: education, circular economy, food, energy, mobility and construction.