

Day of Week	When?	Where	What?
March 23rd Monday	08:30 – 08:45	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Arrival & Coffee Reception
	08:45 – 09:00		Prof. Anton Ginzburg, Introduction into BIP 2026
	09:00 – 10:00		Prof. Anton Ginzburg, "Fossil-based commodity polymers - polyolefins"
	10:15 – 11:50		Prof. Louis Pitet, "Sustainable polymers"
	11:30 – 13:30	PXL	Lunch Break
	13:30 – 14:30	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Prof. Thomas Rödel, "Ecological balance of Bio-Polymers e.g. Bio-PE"
	14:30 – 15:30		Prof. Pieter Bielen, "Chemical recycling of polycondensates"
	15:45 – 16:00		Coffee break
	16:00 - 17:00		Martijn Helsen, "Regional context and sustainability strategy overview"
	17:00 - 19:00		Social activity
March 24th Tuesday	09:00 – 10:00	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Prof. Jose Alberto Mendez Gonzalez, "Rethinking Plastics: Biodegradable futures"
	10:00 – 10:15		Coffee break
	10:15 – 11:15		Prof. Mohamed Naceur Belgacem, "Surface, interfacial and adhesion in composite materials"
	11:30 – 13:00	PXL	Lunch break
	13:00 – 14:00	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Prof. Anna Jakubiak-Marcinkowska, "Adjusting the properties of polymers through special additives"
	14:00 – 15:00		Prof. Púria Esfandiari, "Composite Materials: How they can change our way of living"
	15:00 – 15:15		Coffee break
	15:15 - 16:15		Prof. Quim Tarrés, "Mechanical recycling of polymers and polymer composites"
	16:15 - 17:00		Dr. Núria Boix Rodríguez, title tba.
	17:15	Genk	Visit to Energy Ville
March 25th Wednesday	08:30 – 11:30	Polymer processing and analysis lab, Technology centre	Lab component
	11:30 – 13:00	PXL	Lunch break
	13:00 – 14:00	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Prof. Yoshi Marien, title tba.
	14:00 – 15:00		Prof. Valentina Fernandes Domingues, "Bioplastic and composites: Valorization of chestnut industry residues"
	15:00 – 15:15		Coffee break
	15:15 – 16:15		Prof. Wim Thielemans, title tba.
	16:15 - 17:00	Polymer processing and analysis lab, Technology centre	Preparatory project work with supervisors
March 26th Thursday	09:30	Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Bus to C-Mine Genk
	10:00 – 11:30	C-Mines, Genk	Excursion into old mines.
	11:30 – 13:00	Borealis, Beringen	Sandwich lunch and bus to Borealis in Beringen.
	13:00 – 14:00		Borealis: Workshop "How can I build my petrochemical plant?"
	11:50 – 13:30		Borealis: visit to 1) Polypropylene polymerisation plant; 2) Mechanical recycling plant
	17:00		Bus to Diepenbeek
	18:00 – 20:00	tba	BIP Dinner
March 27th Friday	9:00 – 09:20	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Project group presentations (Groups 1,2,3)
	9:20 – 09:40		
	09:40 – 10:00		
	10:00 – 10:15		Coffee break
	10:30 – 10:50	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Project group presentations (Groups 4,5,6)
	10:50 – 11:10		
	11:10 – 11:30		
	11:30 – 13:00	PXL	Lunch
13:00-14:00	Large auditorium at Technology centre KU Leuven (campus Diepenbeek)	Recognition awards and wrap-up	