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Visit of Janez Potočnik, to Copenhagen

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On 23 June 2011, Janez Potočnik, Member of the EC in charge of Environment, went to Copenhagen where he visited the bee's project of the European Environment Agency (EEA) with Jacqueline McGlade, Executive Director of the EEA, and Karen Ellemann, Danish Minister for Environment. The EEA has been keeping bees on its roof since April 2011. The two hives sat on the roof of the five-storey building in central Copenhagen, and during the summer were home to approximately 80,000 bees. These hives provided an estimated 100kgs of honey per year. The hives were managed by the Bybi (Danish for 'City Bee') social enterprise, which trained formerly homeless people in beekeeping. Keeping bees on the roof provided an excellent opportunity for the EEA to get hands-on experience of caring for the productive systems of the planet. Environmental projects like this showed how social and environmental benefits often went hand-in-hand. This positive experience could inspire other cities across Europe to start similar projects.

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TIME	DESCRIPTION	DURATION
10:00:00	Title	00:00:05
10:00:05	Exterior view of the Danish Parliament	00:00:04
10:00:09	Arrival of Janez Potočnik, Member of the EC in charge of Environment (3 shots)	00:00:11
10:00:21	Round table with Janez Potočnik and Members of the Parliament (11 shots)	00:00:54
10:01:16	Exterior view of the European Environment Agency in Copenhagen	00:00:00
10:01:16	Cutaway of flags	00:00:10
10:01:26	Arrival of Janez Potočnik (2 shots)	00:00:10
10:01:36	General view of the meeting	00:00:05
10:01:41	Janez Potočnik making a speech (3 shots)	00:00:15
10:01:56	General views of the meeting (2 shots)	00:00:10
10:02:06	General view of Copenhagen	00:00:05
10:02:11	Janez Potočnik, Karen Elleman, Danish Minister for Environment, Jacqueline McGlade, Executive Director of the European Environment Agency, holding a honeycomb (3 shots)	00:00:16

10:02:27	Janez Potočnik taking a honeycubes (5 shots)	00:00:25
10:02:52	Janez Potočnik and Karen Elleman	00:00:05
10:02:57	Cutaway of a photographer	00:00:05
10:03:02	Karen Ellemann, Jacqueline McGlade and Janez Potočnik watching a honeycomb prepared for the device to extract honey (3 shots)	00:00:15
10:03:17	Janez Potočnik cutting the beeswax from the honeycomb	00:00:05
10:03:22	Janez Potočnik using a device to extract honey (2 shots)	00:00:15
10:03:37	A man extracting honey (2 shots)	00:00:10
10:03:47	Janez Potočnik tasting honey	00:00:05
10:03:52	SOUNDBITE by Janez Potočnik (in ENGLISH): it is absolute a fascinating experience, we have disturbed a few thousand workers on the spot. We have tasted the freshest honey that we could.	00:00:17
10:04:10	Honey-glass	00:00:04

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