

## Students from Terra show King Willem Alexander a special circular project during his working visit.

The location of King Willem-Alexander's first working visit is the Port of Zwolle port area. Her Majesty will also visit the Circular Entrepreneurship Fieldlab in Meppel, of which Terra is a partner. During this visit to the Fieldlab, two third-year animal care students from Terra, Janneke Ederzeel and Jennifer Schildhuis, show the king how beautiful bowls can be made from hippo poop.

This student project is one of the many examples of projects that take place within the practice group 'Entrepreneurial learning with and from the SDG goals'.

Marjan Nijenbanning is present as a practitioner, together with the students, during the king's visit to the Fieldlab in Meppel. "I am very proud that we can show the king how we get our students to think about a circular economy, the (re)use of raw materials and a special raw material such as hippo poop!"

The hippo poop comes from the hippos at WILDLANDS Adventure Zoo Emmen. During a Masterclass week, the students were immersed in Wildlands' sustainable business operations. Relevant issues often arise from these types of Masterclasses and students from secondary vocational education then share their thoughts on them. For example, the press that compresses the fibers from the poop into a compress was developed by students from Alfa College, who had to take an exam test during Corona times. The press can process various residual flows, including hippo feces.

"It is also nice to show that Terra works closely with Wildlands and with other vocational institutions such as Alfa College in this case and that this is one of the surprising outcomes of this collaboration," says Marjan enthusiastically.

Marjan: "It will be an exciting day for the students and for myself, but it will certainly work out well. I am confident that the students will be able to tell the story well to the king."



### About the Fieldlab

The Fieldlab is a physical workshop in Meppel for secondary vocational education students for circular innovation processes. It has the facilities to develop and test products. To process and produce. There is collaboration on the protein transition with, among others, Geert Kuipers, New Protein World powered by Distribugs.

The Field Lab is an addition to the circular lab of Northern Innovation Lab Circular Economy | NICE in the Gasfabriek Meppel. Not separate from that, but connected. As a hub in a growing innovation ecosystem.

