

Third circular: Full Conference Programme Published

International Conference “Conservation and Management of Wetland Habitats”

Riga, Latvia, July 11-12, 2017.

Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the full Conference program. However, slight changes may occur.

The final program will be sent out to all the participants of the Conference at the start of June.

Detailed information about the Conference is available here: <https://goo.gl/bT6Ftd>. Please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Marta Baumanė, public relations coordinator, at marta.baumane@lu.lv, if you have any further questions.



Sudas-Zviedru Mire from a bird's eye view. Photo: A.Petriņš

Programme

Tuesday, July 11, 2017

9.30	Registration.
10.00	Opening of the Conference
10.10	Māra Pakalne, University of Latvia. Wetland conservation and management in Latvia.
10.30	Jüri-Ott Salm, Marko Kohv, Estonian Fund for Nature. LIFE Mires Estonia, Raised bog restoration experience in Estonia.
10.50	Nerijus Zableckis, Lithuanian Fund for Nature. LIFE Aukštumala (Lithuania).
11.10	Coffee break, poster session.
11.40	Karen Poulsen, Peter Hahn, Danish Nature Agency. Restoration of a 5.000 ha raised bog - an example from Denmark.
12.00	Andrew Cole, Natural England. Peatland restoration in LIFE Cumbria BogLIFE project (United Kingdom).
12.20	Reijo Hokkanen, Parks & Wildlife Finland. Peatland restoration experience from Finland.
12.40	Andrey Sirin, Institute of Forest Science Russian Academy of Sciences. Peatland diversity and restoration in Russia.
13.00	Lunch.
14.00	Olga Galanina, St.Petersburg University. Diversity of mire types in karst landscapes (Arkhangelsk region, Russia).
14.20	Agnese Priede, Nature Conservation Agency. Recently developed Mire Restoration Guidelines for Latvia.
14.40	Viktar Fenchuk, Belovezhskaja pushcha National park. Large scale peatland restoration projects in Belarus - outcomes and challenges.
15.00	Pawel Pawlaczyk, Naturalists Club. Alkaline fens conservation in Poland.
15.20	Meelis Tambets, Mart Thalfeldt, Eesti Loodushoiu Keskus. Freshwater habitats in Estonia and LIFE.
15.40	Ab Grootjans, Lesław Wolejko, Oļģerts Aleksāns, Māra Pakalne. Wetland research in Slitere National Park (Latvia).
16.00	Coffee break, poster presentations.
16.30	Oļģerts Aleksāns, University of Latvia. Hydrological studies and monitoring within the LIFE project Wetlands (Latvia).
16.50	Dominik Zak, Jörg Gelbrecht, Bärbel Tiemeyer, Rob McInnes, Jürgen Augustin, Anke Günther, Gerald Jurasinski, Germany. How to manage and monitor carbon sequestration in rewetted peatlands.
17.10	Franziska Tanneberger, Greifswald University, Germany. Peatland conservation in Europe and the European Mires Book.
17.30	Closing remarks.

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

9.00	Departure from Riga.
9.30	Field trip to Melnais Lake Nature Reserve.
13.00	Lunch break.
14.00	Field trip to Sudas-Zviedru Mire.
17.00	Field trip to Raunas Staburags.
19.30- 20.00	Arrival in Riga.

Conference fee

We have received extra funding for the Conference, and the fee has been reduced to 25 Eur per day, or 50 Eur in total. The fee includes cost of Conference venue, coffee breaks, lunches, transportation on the second day, and Conference materials. The Conference fee can be paid till May 31, 2017 to the bank account of the University of Latvia.

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Magellanic bogmoss *Sphagnum magellanicum* – a characteristic species of bogs. Photo: M.Pakalne

Poster presentations

If you have a poster that you would like to present during the Conference, please send the abstract of your poster (100-150 words) in English no later than May 26, 2017 by e-mail to Ms. Marta Baumane, public relations coordinator, at marta.baumane@lu.lv. The abstract will be included in the Conference abstracts book. Requirements for the poster presentations: size A0, vertical. Poster stands will be available.

Venue

The Conference venue is the Academic Center for Natural Sciences of the University of Latvia (<http://www.tornakalns.lv/eng/>). The address of the center is Jelgavas Street 1, Riga (<https://goo.gl/mCF20g>).

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