

# Eurosite Annual Meeting 2016

Serres, Greece  
7 - 10 November 2016

## Ecosystems at your service: how to incorporate ecosystem services into practical site management

Draft Programme



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### Venue

Elpida Resort & Spa  
Valley of Agioi Anargyroi  
62122 Serres  
Greece

## Welcome

### Monday 7 November

- Arrival of participants
- Registration
- Welcome dinner

## Learning from each other

### Tuesday 8 November

#### **Seminar: Ecosystems at your service: how to incorporate ecosystem services into practical site management**

*Chaired by Dr. Artemis Yiordamli, Executive Director of Terra Cypria, the Cyprus Conservation Foundation*

08.30 - 09.00	Registration of late arrivals
09.00 - 9.30	Welcome and opening <i>Stefan Versweyveld, Eurosite President</i> <i>Dr. Nikitas Fragkiskakis, General Secretary of the Regional Government of Macedonia &amp; Thrace</i> <i>Kyriakos Skordas, Hunting Federation of Macedonia &amp; Thrace</i>
09.30 - 10.30	Keynote speeches  <i>Operationalisation of Ecosystem Services in Europe (OpenESS, Oppla)</i> Ben Delbaere, Head of Programme Operations, ECNC-European Centre for Nature Conservation TBC  <i>European Nature Outlook 2050 – Ecosystem Services based scenario</i> Irene Bouwma, Alterra  <i>Interactive discussion</i>
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee and tea break / Knowledge Market
11.00 - 12.00	Sharing of practical examples  <i>Rice paddies and Avifauna: major Ecosystem Service providers in the Axios delta Protected Area (N. Greece)</i> Eva Katrana, Environmental Education – Ecotours Officer, Axios Loudias Aliakmonas Management Authority, Greece  <i>UK Peatland Code</i> Paul Leadbitter, Peatland Programme Manager, The North Pennines AONB Partnership, UK

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### *Ecosystem services and their interaction with hunting activity in Greece*

Konstantinos Papaspyropoulos, Forest Economics PhD, Research Division of Hunting Federation of Macedonia and Thrace

### *Practical application of ecosystem services in Belgium*

Stefan Versweyveld, Head of Projects and Grants Department, Natuurpunt, Belgium

12.00 - 13.15 Parallel thematic workshops (to be run twice, 75 minutes, participants can attend 2)

*Workshop 1: Towards a market system for nature credits?*

*Workshop 2: Natural capital – getting others involved*

*Workshop 3: Tools and assessments of ecosystem services*

13.15 - 14.30 Lunch

14.30 - 15.15 Parallel thematic workshops – repeated session

15.15 - 15.45 Coffee and tea break / Knowledge Market

15.45 - 17.00 Plenary of the key outcomes and seminar conclusions  
- Main lessons learned from the workshops  
- What could Eurosite's role be?

17.30 - 19.00 *Side event: Eurosite Wetlands and Climate Change Working Group meeting (all are welcome)*

20.00 Official dinner



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### Networking for Europe's nature

#### Wednesday 9 November

- 09.00 - 17.00 Full day tour to Kerkini Lake hosted by the Management Body of Kerkini Lake National Park (including lunch)
- 18.00 - 19.30 Joint Eurosite Board and Council Meeting (*members only*)
- 21.00 Traditional EuroCocktail - participants are invited to bring a small sample of local produce - something to eat or drink that typifies your part of Europe - to share with the other participants.

### Catching up and planning for the future

#### Thursday 10 November

- 08.30 - 11.00 Eurosite Annual General Meeting (*members only*)
- 08.30 - 09.00 Formal matters
- 09.00 - 10.00 How have organisations been involved in Eurosite activities?
- 10.00 - 11.00 How can your organisation become involved in future projects?
- 11.15 Transfer to Thessaloniki Airport

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