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Welcome

Monday 24 September *Location: Hotel Griff, Bartók Béla út 152, Budapest*

Arrival of participants

18.30 - 20.30 Eurosite Joint Board and Council meeting

19:00 Optional dinner (Eurosite Board and Council will have a late dinner)

Learning from each other

Tuesday 25 September

Location: Hotel Griff, Bartók Béla út 152, Budapest

08.30 - 09.00 Registration

09.00 - 09.15 Welcome and opening
Stefan Versweyveld, Eurosite President
Csaba Mezei, CEEweb General Secretary
Eszter Kelemen, Environmental Social Science Research Group

09.15 - 09.35 EKLIPSE - intersection of science, policy and practice in nature-based solutions
Eszter Kelemen, Environmental Social Science Research Group

09.40 - 10.00 POLICY - How EU policy supports wetland conservations and restoration
Monika Kotulak, CEEweb for Biodiversity

10.05 - 10.25 POLICY AND PRACTICE - EU funding supporting nature-based solutions projects in Central and Eastern Europe
Laura Palomo - Rios, Executive Agency for SMEs

10.30 - 10.50 PRACTICE - Implementing practical restoration work to strengthen wetlands' capacity to adapt to and mitigate climate change
Eef Silver, Wetlands International

10.55 - 11.15 SCIENCE - Scientific evidence of wetlands' benefits for nature
Marjolein Sterk, Wageningen University

11.15 - 11.45 Coffee Break

11.45 - 13.15 Working groups, round 1 (please find more information on the next page)

13.15 - 14.15 Lunch

14.15 - 15.30 Afternoon session

14.15 - 14.35 An introduction to the concept and development of privately protected areas
Sue Stolton, IUCN WCPA Privately Protected Areas and Nature Stewardship Specialist Group

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- 14.40 - 15.00 Fostering Private Land Conservation in Europe (LIFE-ELCN)
Kristijan Čivić, Network Development Manager ELCN & Eurosites
- 15.05 - 15.25 Adaptive approaches to Natura 2000 management - roles of expert and NGO networks in the exchange of good practice
Micheal O'Briain, Deputy Head of the Nature Protection Unit, Directorate-General Environment, European Commission (to be confirmed)
- 15.30 - 15.50 Farmer's Pride - Developing a network to protect Europe's Crop Wild Relatives
Prof. Nigel Maxted, University of Birmingham
- 15.50 - 16.15 Coffee break
- 16.15 - 17.45 Working groups, round 2 (please find more information below)
- (17.45 - 18.30 *Working group rapporteurs to provide a short summary to organisers*)
- 19.00 Eurococktail

Working group topics

1. Different global and EU policies and directives supporting wetlands restoration and conservation - how are they translated to national and regional level? Facilitated by Monika Kotulak
2. Practices of implementation of Natural Water Retention Measures and Nature-Based Solutions in Natura 2000 and water management on national and regional level. Facilitated by Eef Silver
3. The key items for management planning guidance - feedback to the Eurosites Management Planning Expert Group. Facilitated by Kristijan Čivić
4. The use of scientific modelling in management plans & Management in relation to changes in ecosystem services. Facilitated by Paul Leadbitter
5. Fostering Private Land Conservation in Europe (www.elcn.eu) - Facilitated by Sue Stolton
6. Risk based decision making - This crash course deals with risk-based and robust decision making. It discusses how these tools can help identify the levels of exposure and vulnerability within a system, the potential impact of losses from change or a hazardous event, and how these can then be used to develop adaptation actions. Additionally it deals with the potential mapping of software for public collaboration in the tracking of changes in the environment. The course will be given by Mark Burgman, author of *Risks and Decisions for Conservation and Environmental Management*.

Wednesday 26 September

Field Trip: Kiskunsag National Park

- 08:00 Travel from the Griff hotel (Bartók Béla út 152, Budapest). We urgently request you to be there on time.
- 09:15 - 09:30 Arriving in Kecskemét (House of Nature, Headquarters of the Kiskunsag National Park, Kecskemét, Liszt F. u. 19.) and welcome by the host.
- 09:30 - 11:30 Presentation: Financing Nature-Based Solutions for long-term water management
Evelyn Underwood, IEEP
The presentation will be followed by case studies from participants
- 12.00 - 13.00 Lunch in the Három Gúnár Rendezvényház, Kecskemét

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13.00 - 13.45	Travel to the field
13.45 - 14:30	Presentation: Diapering of natron lakes and groundwater decline in the Kiskunsag region. Location: Lake Kondor. Presenter: Ferenc Pál Szabó, ranger.
14:45 - 15:30	Travel to lake Böddi (natron lake). Current LIFE project of the lake: www.sodicwetlands.com
15:30 - 16:00	Presentation on natron lakes and the LIFE project. Presenter: Andras Bankovics, project manager.
17:00	Travel to Budapest
20:00	Dinner and evening programme: Twinning & knowledge market and networking

Final recommendations and Annual General meetings CEEweb & Eurosites members

Thursday 27 September

09.00 - 10:30	Recommendations on how to change decision making strategies into long-term sustainable strategies, based on science. Recommendations on the incorporation of ecosystem services and Nature-Based Solutions in regional policies and practice, including management planning of natural sites. The second set of recommendations stems from the working group outcomes and a pre-proposed paper.
10:30 - 11:00	Final remarks and goodbye
11.00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 - 14:00	Annual General Meetings of Eurosites and CEEweb for Biodiversity (members only)
14:00 - 15:00	Lunch
15:00	Goodbye



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