



LANDSCAPE EUROPE Newsletter – March 2015

Dear Landscape Europe Network readers,

We have prepared a new issue of the Landscape Europe News.

In this issue you can find:

- information about interesting new **events**
- and some more **recent publications**.

I would like to thank you those who informed us about new upcoming events.

In case, you would like to support us with new information for the next issue, please do so.

Wishing you interesting reading and looking forward to receive your comments and inputs for the next issue of the LE-News.

With kindest regards

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EVENTS

CHeriScape, Cultural Heritage in Landscape

Conference III: Landscape as Community

19 - 20th May 2015, Oslo (Norway)



Link: <http://www.cheriscape.ugent.be/conferences/conference-3/>

Session 1: Landscape and Social Equity

In this session we will focus on the key challenges of the practical implementation of ELC and the Faro convention and how to take into account landscape democracy and local involvement. Different methods to develop and share understanding of landscape have been developed in Europe, such as for instance landscape characterisation and landscape biography, but there is still a gap between the scientific and political intentions on the one hand and the practical involvement and planning on the other, and uncertainty as to the relationship between expert perspectives and broader citizen aspirations. We welcome practical examples on how this challenge is solved in decisions on landscape and heritage.

Session 2: Landscape Services and Local Communities

Ecosystem services (the contributions that ecological systems underpinned by bio-diversity make to human welfare and well-being) have recently received a high political and scientific profile. Taken as a whole, the ecosystems service approach represents a shift of focus from protection and conservation of *CHeriScape Conference III: Landscape as Community* nature to a focus on how nature can support human life today and in the future; it thus delivers new perspectives in the environmental field. Landscape may be regarded as a platform where ecosystem services meet cultural and heritage values. In this session we will explore how, and why, landscape is relevant to the ecosystem and *vice versa*. In particular, this third CHeriScape conference is focussed on how it can be relevant to local communities. Can the ecosystem services approaches bring us new inventions related to local participation, valuation or decision-making?

Session 3: Landscape and Community Development

In the third session, we will focus on landscape and tangible and intangible heritage as a resource in community development. In general, community development is a process where community members come together to take collective action and generate solutions to common problems. Here we want to present examples of how cultural heritage in landscape represents values which help to shape identity and belonging (or sometimes also exclusion) and how it can result in sustainable rural development. We also want to focus on how rural policy, community based processes and local decision-making are considering these values and helping to design and construct future landscapes.

Agriculture and climate change in transition economies

IAMO Forum 2015

17-19 June 2015 | Halle (Saale), Germany



Link: <http://www.iamo.de/forum/2015/about-the-conference.html>

mitigate emissions, but also needs to develop suitable adaptation measures.

The IAMO Forum 2015 will provide a platform for presenting and discussing research that investigates the interrelations of climate change and agriculture, with a focus on the transition countries of Eastern Europe, the Former Soviet Union, and East Asia. We welcome contributions that examine the past, present, and future impacts of climate change on agricultural production, the greenhouse gas emissions associated with agricultural production, and the adaptation of agricultural practices to a changing climate. The conference contributions may emerge from a variety of methodological approaches at various spatial and temporal scales and include equilibrium models, optimization approaches, econometrics, crop growth simulations or integrated assessments. Interdisciplinary contributions are particularly welcome.

The IAMO Forum 2015 is jointly organized by the [Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies](http://www.iamo.de) and the [Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research \(PIK\)](http://www.pik-potsdam.de). Day 3 is co-organized with the [German Agribusiness Alliance, Committee on Eastern European Economic Relations \(OA\)](http://www.agribusinessalliance.de). The IAMO Forum 2015 will be held at IAMO's conference facilities. Conference language will be English. All sessions on Day 3 with simultaneous translation into German and English.

24th International Conference Ecology and Safety

4-8 June 2015

Elenite Holiday Village, Bulgaria

Link: <http://www.sciencebg.net/en/conferences/ecology-and-safety/>

Topics:

Energy, Climate and Global Security in the 21st Century

Ecology of Air, Soil and Water

Health and Safety

Civil Protection and Disaster Management

IALE Europe 2015 thematic workshop: Landscape ecology of urban forests: enhancing ecosystem services**18-19 June 2015****Ljubljana, Slovenia****Link:** <http://www.iale-europe.eu/workshop2015>

Urban and suburban landscapes are areas where nature meets culture, areas of work and leisure, understanding and misunderstanding, areas of well-being and areas of conflict. These landscapes stimulate transdisciplinary research from theory to application in the fields of agroforestry, agronomy, geography, forestry, landscape architecture, planning, psychology and sociology. Landscape ecology, working with a wide range of disciplines has a role to develop methods and tools to understand landscape processes and measure ecosystem services for an ever-changing society.

The 2015 IALE-Europe Thematic Workshop will explore new ways in understanding, mapping and managing ecosystem services in urban forestry, agroforestry and agriculture. It will consider environmental limits and the future opportunities to enhance ecosystem services. The workshop will highlight the contribution of landscape ecology in this fast developing area.

COST Action 11011 Climate change and migration:
knowledge, law and policy, and theory

**Human Migration and the Environment: Futures, Politics, Invention****28 June – 1 July 2015****Durham University, Durham, U.K.****Link:**<http://www.geography.dur.ac.uk/projects/ccmcostaction/Conference2015/tabid/4035/Default.aspx>**Confirmed Keynote Speakers**

Professor David Held (Master of University College, Durham University)

Professor Wendy Brown (Class of 1936 First Professor of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley)

Professor Claire Colebrook (Edwin Erle Sparks Professor of English, Pennsylvania State University)

Professor Walter Kälin (Faculty of Law, University of Bern)

The aim of the conference is to expand the debate on human migration and the environment beyond its current configuration as a problem of causation, law and policy towards a more pluralist debate that acknowledges the multidimensional nature of environmental change and migration. The conference should appeal to social scientists, humanities and legal scholars as well as to scientists committed to working with and within the social sciences, humanities and law.

Our Common Future Under Climate Change

7-10 July 2015,

Paris, France

Link: <http://www.commonfuture-paris2015.org/>



This four-day Conference is the largest forum for the scientific community to come together ahead of the COP21 of the UNFCCC in 2015. The Conference will address key issues concerning climate change in the broader context of global change. Organized around daily themes, the Conference focuses on moving from present knowledge to future solutions.

"Cultural corridor Via Adriatica - cultural tourism without boundaries"

15-19 October 2015



Blagoevgrad – Ohrid – Budva – Kotor – Dubrovnik – Split – Trogir – Sibenik – Zadar

Following the success of the international scientific conferences on the Cultural Routes of Southeastern Europe, the **Tourism Department at the SWU "Neofit Rilski"** kindly invites you to participate in the International Scientific Conference **"Cultural Corridor Via Adriatica - Cultural Tourism without Boundaries"**, which will be held on **15 - 19 October 2015**.

Co - organizers are: Union of Scientists in Bulgaria, Blagoevgrad; Department "Economics and organization of tourism" at the University of Economics, Varna; Department of Cultural Studies, SWU "Neofit Rilski".

Scientific fields for papers and presentations:

- **Cultural routes**
- **Tangible cultural heritage**
- **Intangible cultural heritage**
- **Cultural heritage management**
- **Cultural heritage and cultural cooperation**
- **Marketing of the cultural tourism destination**

The Conference will be held in the form of **travelling seminar** with a major conference center - Trogir, Croatia. During the seminar five UNESCO World Heritage sites will be visited. The **travelling workshop** will be held along the following itinerary: **Blagoevgrad - Ohrid - Budva - Kotor - Split - Trogir - Sibenik - Zadar and back.**

Conference website: <http://culturalroutes.weebly.com/105310721095107210831086.html>

Large Parks in Large Cities

2-4 September

Stockholm, Sweden

Link: www.largeparks.se



The aim of the conference is to highlight large parks in metropolitan areas and to discuss their importance and role in the future, taking into account the enormous development of townscapes that is foreseen. We will also discuss status, protection and maintenance – in short the governance of large parks in large cities. This will be done within the context of overall green infrastructure, ecosystem services and sustainable cities. Large parks at the same time constitute a basis for understanding the landscape in which the city is set. Another goal is to create a network of people working with large parks around the world.

Themes we will address are; visions of large parks in large cities, the specific aspects of large parks and nature reserves in townscapes in contrast to urban greening in general, the role of large parks in urban ecology and biodiversity, ecosystem services from urban green areas and specifically from large parks in large cities, the role of large parks when building the sustainable city and mitigating climate change, the role of large parks when integrating – functionally and architecturally – the city in the landscape, large parks in understanding the history of the landscape, the establishment and legal status of large parks, urban planning for large parks – threats and conflicts, governance of large parks in large cities

Who is the conference aimed at: Researchers from many disciplines, Researchers from all disciplines, urban planners, park administrators, landscape architects, town planners, non governmental organisations, Policymakers and authorities on all levels, Businesses and solution providers, Urban planners, Health professionals, Non-Governmental Organizations from all over the world

Organisation: The conference is organized by World Wide Fund for Nature, Sweden (WWF) and Association for Ekoparken, in cooperation with Stockholm University, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Stockholm Environment Institute, Royal Swedish Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities, Royal Swedish Academy of Fine Art, Royal Swedish Academy of Science, Royal Academy for Forestry and Agriculture, Swedish Museum of Natural History, Swedish Society for Nature Conservation in Stockholm, Royal Djurgården Administration and County Administrative Board of Stockholm.

Deadline for abstracts - 1 May 2015.

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2nd International Conference on Agriculture in an Urbanizing Society

14-17 September 2015

Rome, Italy



Links: <http://www.agricultureinurbanizingsociety.com>

<http://www.irsa-world.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/BrunoriAgInUrbanizingSocietyConferenceDetailsforIRSAWeb7Dec2014.pdf>

As you might know this year there will be the International **EXPO2015 in Milan** and the topic is "Feeding the world" so well connected to our scientific activities.

During the conference a **WG on Social Farming/Care farming** will take place and also others ones on **ecosystem services related with agricultural systems and urban areas and green infrastructure** that could be of interest for **OpenNESS** members.

Conference: Nature-based Solutions to Climate Change in Urban Areas and their Rural Surroundings

Date: 2015-11-17 - 2015-11-19

Location: Bonn, Germany



Link: <http://www.jpi-climate.eu/news-events/climate-events/10859508/Conference-Nature-based-Solutions-to-Climate->

Joint European Conference held by the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (BfN) and the European Network of Heads of Nature Conservation Agencies (ENCA) in co-operation with the Helmholtz-Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ) / German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv).

Climate change has significant impact on society and biodiversity in Europe. Urban inhabitants are most likely to experience climate change effects directly because currently 75 per cent of Europeans live in urban areas. Here, management of urban ecosystems offer sustainable and cost-effective solutions to climate change mitigation and adaptation while contributing to human well-being.

This joint European conference in Bonn will bring together experts from science, policy and practice to highlight and discuss the importance of nature-based solutions for climate

change mitigation and adaptation in urban areas and their rural surroundings. The aim of the conference is to increase knowledge and to foster linkages between science, policy and practice regarding nature-based solutions to meet the challenge of climate change in urban areas. In addition, emphasis is given to the potential of nature-based approaches to create co-benefits.

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