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1. *Introduction*

Dear LANDSCAPE EUROPE readers,

We would like to keep the tradition of publishing a periodic newsletter twice a year and bring the latest landscape issues to your inbox. We hope that also this issue is packed full of inspiring events, conferences and recent publications.

Contributions to this issue include summarising information about three events organised during the last months: OpenNESS kick-off meeting, ALTER-Net conference and UNISCAPE conference. Each of them having a bit different focus (ecosystem services, biodiversity, landscape education) but finally contributing to a complex view on socio-ecological interactions in the European landscapes.

The chapter Network News reminds the running competition for the best publication dealing with the landscape for young scientists under 35. Please spread this message amongst your young colleagues and encourage them to take part in this competition. Furthermore the chapter includes information about preparing of symposium **Collaborative research for the European Landscape Convention** (under patronage of UNISCAPE and LANDSCAPE EUROPE) that will be held within IALE2013 European congress. The main aim of this symposium is to illustrate gaps in decision-making and planning practice across Europe and to demonstrate the value of collaborative research approaches in landscape protection, planning and management.

I believe that the information in our newsletter will be of great interest to readers of LANDSCAPE EUROPE Newsletter.

On behalf of LANDSCAPE EUROPE, I wish you success in the upcoming period and look forward to receiving your comments and inputs for the future issue of Newsletter.



Peter Bezák and the ILESAS team

Network coordination office

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2. Contributions

OpenNESS – Kick off meeting

<http://www.openness-project.eu/>



On 12 and 13 March 2013, OpenNESS celebrated its official kick-off in Helsinki, Finland. Almost 100 participants from the consortium consisting of 25 research institutes and 10 SMEs from 22 European and four non-European countries were hosted at the Helsinki House of the Estates by the Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), the OpenNESS coordinating body.



The aim of the kick-off was to meet each other, get a better understanding of the OpenNESS concept and its policy and research challenges, as well as an overview of the tasks under each work package. During break-out sessions each work package

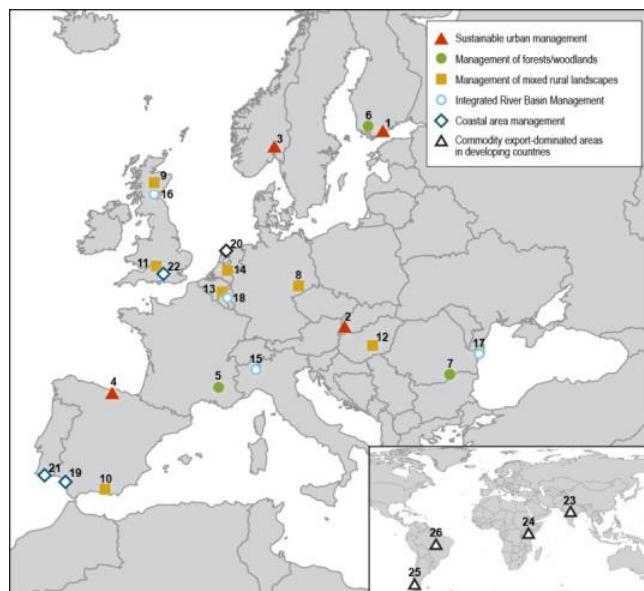
had a facilitated session about its approach, methodology and working structure. Also possible collaboration and cross-cutting themes between the work packages were identified.

Central to OpenNESS is the multi-scale case study approach, designed to ground concepts and theories on real world observations and analysis. More than 30 representatives of these case studies and SMEs attended the kick-off meeting. During a very interactive and fun 'understanding case studies' session, all of them were introduced to the whole consortium.

26 case studies are covering a range of social-ecological systems including fresh water bodies, coastal zones, woodlands, grasslands and farmlands, and urban areas, and their interfaces. The case studies will target key policy problems such as improving the quality of water, preserving biodiversity, using natural resources more responsibly, and combating climate change through increasing the use of renewable energy. Local, regional, national and international case studies will be used. European and global scale mapping and modelling approaches will quantify the flows of ES between European countries and other parts of the world.

Small and medium-size enterprises (SMEs) are closely linked to the case study research to provide practical solutions of how investment in NC leads to direct benefits that increase competitiveness.

For more information visit: <http://www.openness-project.eu/>



ALTER-Net Conference 2013: Science underpinning the EU 2020 Biodiversity Strategy

Post-conference press release

From Monday 15th to Thursday 18th April, over 200 scientists from 66 European research institutes and more than 25 countries, together with European policy makers, have been developing scientifically sound, evidence-based recommendations on how to implement and realize the 2020 European Biodiversity Strategy. This conference was organized by the European biodiversity research network ALTER-Net, together with the European Commission.



From over 50 recommendations, 6 final and principal ones were distilled – one for each European target. They were deemed by conference participants to be the most urgent and important requirements to enable Europe to meet its biodiversity targets for 2020 and beyond.

European Commission representatives agreed upon using the conference's recommendations throughout the European policy trajectory.

The 6 recommendations are:

- EU-target 1: Ecosystem health is the key to Natura 2000 (the EU's network of protected areas), together with genetic health of its species; both are extremely important for human health
- EU-target 2: Mapping ecosystems and valuing their services is seen as beneficial in most cases, but there remains great concern about economic valuation and merchandising of biodiversity
- EU-target 3: Knowing which problems need standard approaches and which need targeted approaches is vital to be able to apply effective regulation and innovative, diversified solutions
- EU-target 4: Science is the engine to generate adaptive management tools to optimise sustainable and ecosystem-based fisheries rather than management based on a single species approach
- EU-target 5: Policy should aim at the broad impact of Invasive Alien Species and their interaction with native biodiversity, health and food production, rather than on details: the first challenge is to develop legal and economic Instruments
- EU-target 6: The price of food, fibre and water should encompass both the production and maintenance cost of the ecosystem.

For more information visit: <http://www.alter-net.info>

Landscape & Imagination Conference

Bas Pedrolí

The conference *Landscape & Imagination* 2-4 May in Paris was a great success! After the first UNISCAPE / LANDSCAPE EUROPE Conference '*Living Landscapes*' on the scientific underpinning of the European Landscape Convention, '*Landscape & Imagination*' discussed the implications of the ELC for education. It was organised by UNISCAPE and the Paris La Villette School of Architecture in the centre of Paris.

- we had a vivid and dynamic conference with 250 participants from 30 countries, 5 very inspiring key note lectures (Pavlna Mišíková, Augustin Berque, Bernard Lassus,

AMP (Architecture, Milieu, Paysage)
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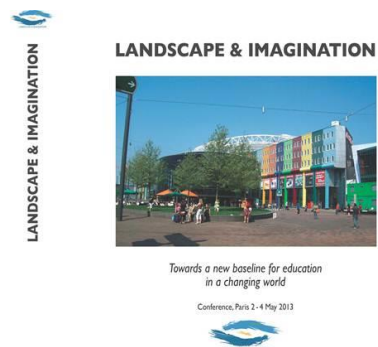
Toshio Kuwako and Yu Kongjian), 140 paper presentations and ample space for discussion, exchange and debate.

- o UNISCAPE member Paris La Villette had arranged for high level venues for the plenary sessions, with a farewell cocktail on the roof of the Cité de l'Architecture, in front of the Tour Eiffel just on the other side of the Seine (see photo)! The mayor of Château-Chalons added substantially to this last session with his presentation about his village and terroir. This connected wonderfully to the debate we had in the round table, bringing us immediately back to real-life policy and management of his landscape and *terroir*. We had the pleasure to taste these in the splendid Vin Jaune produced!



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- o all papers had been peer-reviewed, revised and edited, and subsequently published in the conference materials, which was available to all participants at registration (Newman, C., Nussaume, Y. & Pedrol, B. (Eds) 2013: *Landscape & Imagination: towards a new baseline for education in a changing world*. Conference, Paris, May 2-4 2013. UNISCAPE, Florence / Baldecchi & Vivaldi, Pontedera, 720 pp. ISBN 978-88-8341-548-7). It can be ordered through the UNISCAPE Office (info@uniscap.eu).



- o In many parallel sessions there have been inspiring discussions about new methods of observing, describing and analysing landscape – often in a community-based way – for the sake of properly conveying the message of the values of the European landscape. Exchanges with participants from overseas, particularly Japan and China, remarkably enhanced these discussions. The importance of a comprehensive view on landscape in the sense of the European Landscape Convention, from species diversity to spiritual values and all values between was thus confirmed in a convincing way.

For more information visit: <http://www.uniscap.eu/>

3. Network news

Competition for the best publications about the landscape
Peter Bezák

LANDSCAPE EUROPE continues to organise a **competition for the best publication** dealing with the landscape. The competition is aimed at young scientists under 35 who recently published their own research results dealing with the landscape.



Criteria for participants:

- Less than 35 years old (at 30.6.2013)

Criteria for papers:

- Submitted in English
- Published between 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2013
- The word "landscape" must appear in the title or abstract
- Shows an interdisciplinary approach
- The spatial component is considered

Prize:

- LANDSCAPE EUROPE diploma
- LANDSCAPE EUROPE publication
- Financial award (100€)

Please send a digital version of your paper to the LANDSCAPE EUROPE office (jana.borovska@savba.sk) by **31 July 2013** with the message subject "**LANDSCAPE EUROPE competition**". The papers will be assessed during the following LANDSCAPE EUROPE General Assembly and the winner will be contacted.

Collaborative research for the European Landscape Convention

Symposium organised by Bas Pedroli (UNISCAPE) and Peter Bezak (LANDSCAPE EUROPE) within IALE2013 congress (9-12 September) in Manchester

This symposium will discuss the practical experience with collaborative research approaches in issues of landscape planning and management. The relevance of these approaches – including a range of methods, from action research and knowledge brokerage to social learning and institutional change – for sustainable and equitable landscape development will be discussed. Recent examples of concrete landscape research will illustrate gaps in decision-making and planning practice across Europe and demonstrate the value of collaborative research approaches in landscape protection, planning and management.



Changing European Landscapes:
Landscape ecology, local to global
IALE 2013 European Congress • Manchester

The organisers of the congress received over 300 abstracts and some of them were assigned to this symposium. Authors of the accepted abstracts for this symposium were asked to provide complete papers by the end of August 2013 as the common publication is considered as the output.

LANDSCAPE EUROPE General Assembly 2013 will be held at the same place during the congress.

Read more: <http://www.iale2013.eu/collaborative-research-elc>

LANDSCAPE EUROPE website (www.landscape-europe.net)

Peter Bezák and Róbert Kanka

The website of LANDSCAPE EUROPE network is being permanently updated. Recently intranet version of the website is under testing phase. The main reason to



launch the intranet is to improve networking among the members through availability of the updated internal documents and support material for the better collaboration especially in the area of future landscape research.

4. Events

VOLANTE Summer School: there are still places left!

The Summer School Course on "Transitions in Landscape and Land Use" will take place in Lesvos from 12th to 18th of June 2013. The VOLANTE Summer School focuses on and is largely inspired by the on-going scientific advances, in the context of the VOLANTE project: Visions of Land Use Transitions in Europe.



For more information please see: <https://landscape2013.pns.aegean.gr/>

The 8th ALTER-Net Summer School

The 8th ALTER-Net Summer School will be held at Peyresq, Alpes de Haute-Provence, France from 4-14 September 2013. The Summer School is open to young graduate and post-graduate scientists from the network partners and universities in Europe. Two participants from developing countries can participate as well. Adequate English skills are required.



ALTER-Net Summer Schools have been running since 2006 and offer students a unique opportunity to learn about current issues in biodiversity and ecosystem services. The programme typically includes talks in the morning and an aperitif talk in the late afternoon before dinner. All talks provide ample time for discussions. As the speakers usually stay for some days in Peyresq, informal discussions often go on till late at night. Tutors guide small working groups in the afternoons to work on real world examples connected to the theme of the school. Working groups summarise their results into a synthesis report aimed at policymakers. A field trip illustrates land-use change in Provence. There are plenty of opportunities to relax in the beautiful village of Peyresq and its surroundings.

The deadline for applications has been extended to 31 May 2013.

For more information please see: <http://www.alter-net.info/about-alter-net/what-we-do/training-summer-school/summer-school>

GI Forum 2013 (Symposium and Exhibit)

GI_Forum 2013 (2-5 July 2013, Salzburg) provides participants with a comprehensive programme of keynotes, presentations, discussion sessions, workshops and a Young Researcher Corner. At this stage attendees are invited to submit a poster contribution.



With more than 70 presentations and workshops GI_Forum 2013 offers diverse and wide ranging programme with the goal of promoting interest in translating theory, methods and techniques into a broad range of GI application domains.

Attendees are invited to submit a poster contribution until June 6th, 2013. The best posters will be announced in a poster award ceremony based on the votes by symposia attendees.

“Monitoring and Modelling of Global Change” is a well-established topic at the annual GI_Forum conference. Within GI-Forum 2013, a special session on Ecosystem and Biodiversity Monitoring (EOHab) is organized by the Department of Geoinformatics - Z_GIS, University of Salzburg.

For more information please see: www.gi-forum.org

Landscapes for Life Conference 2013

The theme for this year’s Landscapes for Life conference (16-18 July 2013, Ipswich, UK) is water. Management of water is one of the most important challenges that the global economy will face over the next decade. Landscapes for Life – Conference 2013 will bring delegates together in Ipswich to discuss the part that the UK's Protected Landscape Family have in ensuring that our water systems are well managed and our environment is safeguarded for future generations.



Three days of presentations, discussion, networking and site visits will look at the links between water and natural beauty and set out the challenges and changes ahead. National issues will be addressed and the way Protected Landscape teams are working in partnership with local authorities, government bodies, landowners, utility providers, regulators and others to develop innovative solutions to manage our most precious resource will be shared.

For more information please see: <http://www.landscapesforlife.org.uk/2013-conference.html>

Changes in landscape studies: considering landscape as a “mediator”

EUGEO Conference to be held in Rome from 5 to 7 September 2013 will host a session specifically focused on the issues of landscape: *Changes in landscape studies: considering landscape as a "mediator"*.

The session aims to get deeper into these issues, through the exchange of views among researches carried out in different countries, focusing in particular on the following questions:



- can the landscape assume the role of mediator, as a tool for bringing out different points of view, different glances, on territorial questions?
- what is the specific contribution of geography in this strongly interdisciplinary field?

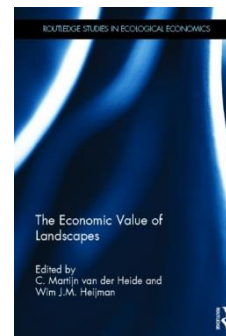
For more information please see: <http://www.eugeo2013.com/component/content/article/68-S05>

5. Recent publications

The Economic Value of Landscapes

Editors: C. Martijn van der Heide, Wim Heijman

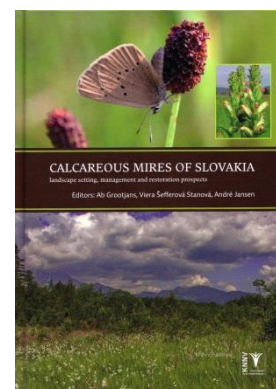
This book aims to explore the avenue of landscape economics and provides the building blocks (from different scientific disciplines) for an economic analysis of landscapes. What exactly constitutes and determines the value of a landscape? It focuses on the value of landscapes in its broadest sense, thereby covering a variety of topics including stakeholder involvement in landscape design, landscape governance and landscape perceptions from different countries. Merely saying that landscapes have value or are important is not sufficient – not when resources are scarce and have alternative uses. Measuring and quantifying the economic value of changes in landscapes would help ensure that landscape management decisions are both (economically) rational and sound.



Measuring societal awareness of the rural agrarian landscape: indicators and scale issues

Editors: Ab Grootjans, Viera Šefferoová Stanová, André Jansen

Slovakia is blessed with an abundance of natural beauties, and some of them are quite unique within Europe. Calcareous fens, which are peat and travertine (CaCO₃) depositing wetlands are such rare ecosystems and in Slovakia they are located almost exclusively in the Western Carpathian Mountains. Calcareous fens are hot spots of biodiversity and some protected and almost untouched sites are discussed in Calcareous Mires of Slovakia. Such reference area are unique natural archives, and are very suitable for studying their past development and history. An international team of peatland scientists tried to unravel the hydrological and geochemical processes behind the development of calcareous fens and identify the dangers of human interventions in the landscape. The interdisciplinary approach used in these studies include covers historical development, ecology, geology and hydrology. We believe it will be great inspiration for colleagues in other countries to study and understand the hydrological systems, including threatened wetland types and to propose efficient restoration measures. Through Calcareous Mires of Slovakia, the authors wish to make a contribution to peatland preservation and more effective conservation.



A Dictionary of Environment and Conservation

Editors: Michael Allaby and Chris Park

Thoroughly revised and updated to include the latest research in the field, *A Dictionary of Environment and Conservation* provides over 9,000 A to Z entries on scientific and social aspects of the environment—its key thinkers, treaties, movements, organizations, concepts, and theories. Covering subjects such as sustainable development, biodiversity, and environmental ethics, it is at the cutting edge of environmental and conservation studies. This is the ideal reference for students studying these subjects and anyone with an interest in environment and conservation.



The EU Environmental Liability Directive

Editors: Lucas Bergkamp and Barbara Goldsmith

The ELD imposes liability for significant damage to natural habitats and species protected at Community and national levels, surface and ground waters covered by the Water Framework Directive, and land. Prior to the ELD's adoption many Member States had programs in place for the restoration of soil and groundwater contamination, but none had a regime for addressing harm to unowned natural resources. This volume presents a comprehensive legal commentary on the legal issues arising under the ELD, as well as an overview of administrative, technical, and legal issues and practices in applying the ELD regimes to cases of actual or threatened environmental damage. In doing so, it discusses both substantive issues and important procedural and process-related issues. Several case studies are presented to illustrate the issues and practical solutions. In addition, emerging best practices relating to practical ELD application are identified and presented.



EBONE Alterra reports

The European Biodiversity Observation Network (EBONE) is a European contribution on terrestrial monitoring to GEO BON, the Group on Earth Observations Biodiversity Observation Network. EBONE is an EU FP7 project.

Recent publications:

1. *Integrated figures of habitat and biodiversity indicators*

<http://content.alterra.wur.nl/Webdocs/PDFFiles/Alterraraapporten/AlterraRapport2393.pdf>

2. *Design of a monitoring system and its cost-effectiveness*

<http://content.alterra.wur.nl/Webdocs/PDFFiles/Alterraraapporten/AlterraRapport2392.pdf>

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6. Outlook

Seventh International Conference on Sustainable Water Resources Management

Date: 21-23 May 2013

Location: New Forest, United Kingdom

Link: <http://www.wessex.ac.uk/13-conferences/water-resources-management-2013.html>

GWSP international conference: Water in the Anthropocene: Challenges for Science and Governance. Indicators, Thresholds and Uncertainties of the Global Water System

Date: 21-24 May 2013

Location: Bonn, Germany

Link: <http://www.qwsp.org/conference2013.html>

International Conference Mountain Protected Areas in a Changing World

Date: 21-24 May 2013

Location: Krkonose National Park, Czech Republic

Link: <http://konference.knap.cz/konference/1/informace/>

BioHydrology Conference 2013 – Bio meets Hydrology: Water for life

Date: 21-24 May 2013

Location: Landau in der Pfalz, Germany

Link: <http://www.biohydrology2013.de/>

10th European Dry Grassland Meeting (EDGM) – When theory meets practice:

Conservation and restoration of grasslands

Date: 24-31 May 2013

Place: Zamość, SE Poland

Link: http://www.botanik.uni-greifswald.de/edgg_meeting_2013.html

6th International Conference on Sustainable Development and Planning

Date: 27-29 May 2013

Location: Kos, Greece

Link: <http://www.wessex.ac.uk/13-conferences/sustainable-development-and-planning-2013.html>

Climate Change and Regional Response (CCRR-2013) Impacts and adaptation strategies for public, commercial and private actors

Date: 27-29 May 2013

Location: Dresden, Germany

Link: <http://www.regklam.de/1/ccrr-2013>

Soil Carbon Sequestration: for Climate, Food Security and Ecosystem Services

Date: 27-29 May 2013

Location: Iceland

Link: <http://www.fao.org/globalsoilpartnership/events/detail/en/c/154385/>

Impacts World 2013 – International Conference on Climate Change Effects

Date: 27-30 May 2013

Location: Potsdam, Germany

Link: <http://www.climate-impacts-2013.org/>

Tourism Trends and Advances in the 21st Century

Date: 30 May – 2 June 2013

Location: Rhodes, Greece

Link: <http://tourconf2013.aegean.gr/>

11th WSEAS International Conference on Environment, Ecosystems and Development (EED '13)

Date: 1-3 June 2013

Location: Brasov, Romania

Link: <http://www.wseas.org/wseas/cms.action?id=3791>

Primeval Beech Forests: Reference Systems for the Management and Conservation of Biodiversity, Forest Resources and Ecosystem Services

Date: 2-9 June 2013

Location: Lvov, Ukraine

Link:

http://www.wsl.ch/dienstleistungen/veranstaltungen/veranstaltungskalender/beechn_forests/index_EN

21th European Biomass Conference and Exhibition

Date: 3-7 June 2013

Location: Copenhagen, Denmark

Link: <http://www.conference-biomass.com/>

ICON-LAWater landscapes and urbanization: design, ecology and Management

Date: 5-7 June 2013

Location: St. Petersburg, Russia

Link: <http://www.icon-la.org/>

5th Symposium for Research in Protected Areas

Date: 10-12 June 2013

Location: Mittersill, Salzburg, Austria

Link: www.hohetauern.at/symposium2013

Third International Geography Symposium – GEOMED2013

Date: 10-13 June 2013
Location: Antalya, Turkey
Link: <http://web.deu.edu.tr/geomed/>

LuWQ2013 — International Interdisciplinary Conference on Land Use and Water Quality: Reducing Effects of Agriculture

Date: 10-13 June 2013
Location: Haag, Netherlands
Link: <http://www.luwq2013.nl>

The 5th Nordic Geographers Meeting

Date: 11-14 June 2013
Place: Reykjavík, Iceland
Link: <http://conference.hi.is/ngm2013/>

Europa Nostra's European Heritage Congress

Date: 13-17 June 2013
Place: Athens, Greece
Link: <http://www.europanostra.org/athens/>

9th International Conference on Ecosystems and Sustainable Development (ECOSUD 2013)

Date: 18-20 June 2013
Location: Bucharest, Romania
Link: <http://www.wessex.ac.uk/13-conferences/ecosud-2013.html>

Ecological Economics and Institutional Dynamics (European Society for Ecological Economics Conference)

Date: 18-21 June 2013
Location: Lille, France
Link: <http://www.euroecolecon.org/esee-2013-ecological-economics-and-institutional-dynamics/>

LCLUC Science in the SCERIN Region: Current Focus and Future Directions

Date: 19 June 2013
Location: Prague, Czech republic
Link: <http://www.fao.org/gtos/gofc-gold/net-SEERIN.html>

Fifth Careggi Seminar on Landscape Observatories in Europe

Date: 27-28 June 2013
Location: Florence, Italy
Link: <http://www.uniscape.eu/pagelmg.php?idCont=1493&idSez=16&idlink=55&lang=en>

4thCASEE conference Food and Biomass Production, Basis for a Sustainable Rural Development

Date: 1-3 July 2013
Location: Zagreb, Croatia
Link: <http://casee.agr.hr/>

GI_FORUM 2013 - Creating the GISociety

Date: 2-5 July 2013
Location: Salzburg, Austria
Link: www.gi-forum.org

Sustainability, Society and the Environment: Searching for Synergies

Date: 4-7 July 2013
Location: Brighton, UK
Link: <http://ecsee.iafor.org/>

Annual International Conference on Ecology, Ecosystems and Climate Change

Date: 15-18 July 2013
Location: Athens, Greece
Link: <http://www.atiner.gr/ecology.htm>

Planning for Resilient Cities and Regions

Date: 15-19 July 2013
Location: Dublin, Ireland
Link: <http://aesop-acspdublin2013.com>

Landscapes for Life

Date: 16-18 July 2013
Location: Ipswich, UK
Link: <http://www.landscapesforlife.org.uk/2013-conference.html>

SURE – Society for Urban Ecology World Conference 2013

Date: 25-27 July 2013
Location: Berlin, Germany
Link: <http://surecongress2013.org/>

XXV European Society of Rural Sociology Congress – Rural resilience and vulnerability: the rural as locus of solidarity and conflict in times of crisis

Date: 29 July - 1 August 2013
Location: Florence, Italy
Link: www.florenceesrs2013.com

11th INTECOL Congress, Ecology: Into the next 100 years

Date: 18-23 August 2013
Location: London, UK
Link: <http://www.intecol2013.org/>

European Society for Environmental History's 2013 Conference: "Circulating Natures: Water – Food – Energy"

Date: 20-24 August 2013
Location: Munich, Germany
Link: <http://www.eseh2013.org/call-for-papers.html>

ClimTree 2013: International Conference on Climate Change and Tree Responses in Central European Forests

Date: 1-5 September 2013
Location: Zurich, Switzerland
Link: <http://www.climtree2013.org>

ALTER-Net summer schools

Date: 4-14 Sept 2013
Place: Peyresq, France
<http://www.alter-net.info/about-alter-net/what-we-do/training-summer-school/summer-school>

EUGEO 2013 Congress

Date: 5-7 September 2013
Location: Rome, Italy

Link: <http://www.eugeo2013.com/>

European IALE Conference 2013 – Changing European Landscapes

Date: 9-12 September 2013

Place: Manchester, UK

Link: <http://www.iale2013.eu/>

Problems and perspectives of hilly-mountain areas

Date: 12-15 September 2013

Place: Ohrid, Macedonia

Link: <http://ohrid2013.igeografija.mk/>

Towards Engineering Harmony between Biogeosphere and Society

Date: 16-19 September 2013

Place: Lodz, Poland

Info: secretariat@ltereurope.net

20th International Conference of Environmental Indicators (ICEI 2013)

Date: 16-19 September 2013

Place: Trier, Germany

Link: <http://www.icei2013.com/>

RegioResources 21-2013: A cross-disciplinary dialogue on future perspectives for a sustainable development of regional resources

Date: 18-20 September 2013

Place: Catania, Italy

Link: <http://regioresources21.eli-web.com/>

2nd BiodiversityKnowledge conference

Date: 24-26 September 2013

Place: Berlin, Germany

Link:

http://www.biodiversityknowledge.eu/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=76&Itemid=240

Biogeography of the Carpathians: Evolution of Biodiversity in a Spatiotemporal Context

Date: 26-28 September

Place: Krakow, Poland

Link: <http://bio.botany.pl/carpathians-biogeography/>

Open Landscapes 2013 - Ecology, Management and Nature Conservation

Date: 29 September - 3 October 2013

Place: Hildesheim, Germany

Link: <http://www.open-landscapes2013.de/>

2nd International Conference 2013: Science for the Environment - Environment for Society

Date: 3-4 October 2013

Location: Aarhus, Denmark

Link: <http://dce-conference.au.dk/>

The 10th World Wilderness Congress

Date: 4-10 October 2013

Location: Salamanca, Spain

Link: <http://www.wild.org/main/world-wilderness-congress/>

Ecosystem services – science, policy and practice

Date: October 7 – 10, 2013

Location: Smolenice, Slovakia

Link: directorile@savba.sk

Shrinking Cities I Expanding Landscapes

Date: 14-15 November 2013

Location: Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Link: <http://expandinglandscapes.wordpress.com/>

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Land Transformations: Between Global Challenges and Local Realities

Date: 19-21 March 2014

Location: Berlin, Germany

Link: <http://www.glp-osm2014.org/>

7. LE membership

Membership

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- The Institute of Landscape Ecology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (ILESAS)
- Alterra Wageningen UR (Alterra)
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- Helmholtz - Zentrum für Umweltforschung GmbH (UFZ)
- Joint Research Centre (JRC)

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- Aarhus University – Department of Environmental Science (AU-ENVS)
- National Research Institute of Science and Technology for Environment and Agriculture (IRSTEA)
- The Research Institute for Nature and Forest (INBO)
- The Norwegian Forest and Landscape Institute (NFLI)
- The University of Vienna, Department of Conservation Biology, Vegetation and Landscape Ecology (UNIVIE)
- The University of Bucharest (UNIBUC)
- The University of Tallinn, Centre for Landscape and Culture, Estonian Institute of Humanities (TU)
- The University of Salzburg (Z_GIS)
- Agricultural Economics Research Institute (LEI – Wageningen UR)
- The University of the Aegean (Aegean)
- The German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (BfN)
- The Leibniz Institute of Ecological Urban and Regional Development (IOER)
- Charles University of Prague, Faculty of Science, Department of Physical Geography and Geo-ecology (KU)
- The University of Udine, Department of Crop and Environmental Science (DISAA)
- The University of Alcalá de Henares (UAH)

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