

## Agenda

LIFE Integrated projects' LatViaNature and NATURALIT networking event 20.05.2024.-23.05.2024

### 2 National Parks / 2 Lakes / 2 Forest Demo Sites in 3 Days

Time	Topic	Speaker
May 20		
6.00	Start from Kaunas via Vilnius, Ukmergė to Sigulda	
12.30	Welcome soup and coffe/tea	
13.00	<b>Welcome &amp; Overall Project Progress</b>	Ieva Saleniece – <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Project Manager</i>
13.15	<b>Overall Project Progress NATURALIT</b>	Birutė Valatkienė - <i>Environmental Projects Management Agency, NATURALIT Project Manager</i>
13.30	<b>Motivating mechanisms</b> (C.4.1., C.4.2, D.1.3 monitoring, A.6.2 survey)	Ģirts Baranovskis - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Compensation Team Leader</i> Dārta Treija - <i>Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project coordinator</i>
13.50	<b>Management and prevention of invasive alien species</b> (C.5.1 – C.5.4; C.6.2; A.6.1 survey; D.1.4 monitoring)	Jēkabs Dzenis - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Invasive alien species expert</i>
14.30	<b>Nature Management Planning System</b> (A.4, C.2)	Dārta Treija - <i>Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project Manager</i> Kristīne Vilciņa - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Nature conservation expert</i>
14.50	<b>Methods for assessing grassland and forest management effectiveness</b> (A.8)	Guntis Brūmelis (remote participation) – <i>University of Latvia, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Forest habitat expert</i> Maija Medne - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Grassland habitat expert</i>
15.10	<b>Small Grants programme for landowners</b> (C.6.1)	Nelliņa Tinusa - <i>Latvian Rural Advisory and Training Centre, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project Manager</i>
15.25	<b>Grassland Product Label</b> (C.4.3), <b>Latvian Fund for Nature</b>	Inga Muižniece - <i>Latvian Fund for Nature, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project Manager</i>
15.40	<b>Small grants programme for landowners (IAS)</b>	<b>Restoration and sustainable management of forest habitats (C.7).</b>
		Nelliņa Tinusa - <i>Latvian Rural Advisory and Training Centre, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project Manager</i>

	<b>(C.6.1). Field visit Innovative methods for limiting invasive species (mobile duck herd)</b>	<b>Field trip to earlier LIFE FOR-REST project site (Klauku līcis)</b>	Jānis Saulītis - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Invasive alien species expert</i> Inga Pikšena - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Project coordinator</i> Zanda Segliņa - <i>Nature Conservation Agency, LIFE OSMO BALTIC Project coordinator assistant</i>
17.00	Grassland Product degustation <a href="https://dabiskoplavuprodukts.lv/">https://dabiskoplavuprodukts.lv/</a> / BBQ format		
May 21			
9.20	Travel to Cēsis		
10.00	<b>Restoration and sustainable management of forest habitats (C.7). Forest habitat (and restoration work in earlier LIFE project LIFE FOR-REST Lenčupes – Sveķupītes meža masīvs)</b>  Geocaching for LIFE <a href="https://latvianature.daba.gov.lv/en/news/new-geocache-series-to-explore-latvias-biodiversity/">https://latvianature.daba.gov.lv/en/news/new-geocache-series-to-explore-latvias-biodiversity/</a>  Geocaching for Life #12 - LIFE FOR-REST <a href="https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC9WP6H">https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC9WP6H</a>		Sandra Ikauniece - <i>Nature Conservation Agency, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Forest habitat expert</i>  Agnese Rudusāne - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Communication and nature education action coordinator</i>
12.00	Light lunch		
12.30	Travel to pilotprogramme site		
13.00	<b>C.4.2: Development of voluntary mechanisms for biodiversity conservation on private lands. Experience stories from the LIFE-IP LatViaNature pilot programme for private landowners "Blooming Meadows"</b>		Maija Medne - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Grassland habitat expert</i> Kaspars Goba – <i>Pilot programme for private landowners "Blooming Meadows" participant</i>
14.30	Travel to Līgatne		
15.00	Field trip to Līgatne Nature Trails		
16.15	Travel to presentation/dinner site (Pavāru māja / <a href="https://pavarumaja.lv/en/sustainability">https://pavarumaja.lv/en/sustainability</a> )		
16.30	<b>Presentation on CO &amp; FRV species and habitats (A.1, A.2)</b> Focus on: Plant species and Forest habitats		Agnese Priede - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Habitat and Species Conservation Experts' Team Leader</i>  Linda Uzule - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Plant Species Expert</i> Sandra Ikauniece - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Forest Habitat Expert</i> Jānis Ozols - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Data Analyst</i>
16.50	<b>Presentation on Development of Centralized Nature Data Portal (C.9.)</b>		Jānis Kotāns - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Data Department Manager</i>

17.30	<b>NATURALIT presentation - Nature Data Organization in Lithuania</b>	NATURALIT experts
18.00	Light Dinner	
May 22		
8.00	Travel to lake Kaņieris	
10.00	Meeting point lake Kaņieris: <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/KPzgJyZSUybQQsBP9">https://maps.app.goo.gl/KPzgJyZSUybQQsBP9</a>	
10.15	<b>Field trip near lake Kaņieris</b>  <b>Geocaching for Life #4 - Kemeru Mitraji</b> <a href="https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC9WP4B">https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC9WP4B</a>	Linda Uzule - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Plant Species Expert</i> Lauma Vizule Kahovska - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Freshwater Habitat Expert</i>
11.15	Travel to lunch site/lunch	
12.15	Travel to lake Engure	
12.45	<b>Restoration and sustainable management of forest habitats (C.7). Excursion near lake Engure (forest habitats)</b>	Kate Beresņeva - <i>Latvia's State Forests, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Environmental communication specialist</i> Jānis Zītāns - <i>Latvia's State Forests, Forest management planning manager</i>  Linda Uzule - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Plant species expert</i> Lauma Vizule Kahovska - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Freshwater habitat expert</i>
13.45	Travel to Dundurpļavas site	
14.45	<b>Field trip at Dundurpļavas site (grassland habitats)</b> <b>Geocaching for Life #6 – LIFE HYDROPLAN</b> <a href="https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC9WP4R">https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC9WP4R</a>	Agnese Priede - <i>NCA, LatViaNature, Habitat and Species Conservation Experts' Team Leader</i>
16.00	The Soup Break ☺ End of visit & Farewell	
17.00	Travel to Jūrmala	<i>Lithuanian team only</i>
19.00	Discussion of the visit and its outcomes	<i>Lithuanian team only</i>
May 23		
9.00	Travel to Lithuania (to Kaunas via Ukmergė and Vilnius)	