

Agenda

LIFE projects' LatViaNature and LIFE Ornamental IAS networking event 12.05.2025.-14.05.2025

Time	Topic	Speaker
May 12- Presentations and short field trips		
9.30-10.00	Arriving at the office (Sigulda) https://maps.app.goo.gl/xDJG1jqfMy671Hpr7	
10.00-10.15	Welcome & introduction	Nature Conservation Agency, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project
10.15-10.30	Nature conservation in Latvia	Jēkabs, Dzenis, Nature Conservation Agency, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project
10.30-10.45	Current legislative framework of invasive alien species in Latvia	Māra Melnbārde, Ministry of Smart Administration and Regional Development
10.45-11.00	Overall LatViaNature Project presentation	Agnese Rudusāne, Nature Conservation Agency, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project
11.00-11.45	Management and prevention of invasive alien species in LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project	Santa Rutkovska, Nature Conservation Agency, LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project
11.45-12.30	Management and prevention of invasive alien species in LIFE Ornamental IAS Project	LIFE Ornamental IAS Project
12.30-13.00	Discussion	LIFE-IP LatViaNature Project LIFE Ornamental IAS Project
13.00-14.30	Lunch	Pils street 9, Sigulda https://maps.app.goo.gl/dfjX2RCeeBqaEuqDA
14.30~19.00	Field visits- Innovative methods for limiting invasive species in Sigulda: -Mobile duck herd -Electric fence for the Spanish slug Optional: Sightseeing in Sigulda (~2h hike in the Gauja National Park)	Small grants programme for landowners (IAS) participants

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May 13- Field trips		
9.00	Departure from Sigulda/Riga	
9.00-10.00	Travel to IAS pilot area Vecdaugava	https://maps.app.goo.gl/VVL3fRj7nXcbCEaM6
10.00-10.45	Vecdaugava - <i>Impatiens glandulifera</i> pilot area (methods – steaming, grazing with horses)	
10.45-11.45	Travel to IAS pilot area Ragakāpa	https://maps.app.goo.gl/VKNQsDw2tiCtpKv78
11.45-13.15	Ragakāpa - <i>Amelanchier spicata</i> pilot area (methods- uprooting with hands, removal with a small tractor, treatment of stumps with plant protection products, frequent trimming of shoots). Practical <i>Amelanchier spicata</i> removal	
13.15-14.45	Travel to lunch site. Lunch. NB! Cash only.	<i>Osīši, Kūdra, Salas pagasts, Mārupes novads,</i> https://maps.app.goo.gl/pGTspnDPAKEKxWy8
14.45-15.30	Steamer demonstration in NCA office Meža māja in Ķemeri National Park	Meža māja, Jūrmala https://maps.app.goo.gl/h1kT65sQXPfE9uou5
15.30-16.30	Travel to IAS pilot area Kandava	https://maps.app.goo.gl/bUxGRYDqb9fCrxe9
16.30-17.00	Kandava - <i>Solidago canadensis</i> pilot area (methods - mowing, mulching)	
17.00-17.10	Travel to Čužu Mire	https://maps.app.goo.gl/h19YtdjzgZLq8NcA9
17.10-19.00	Čužu Mire -a short hike (~2,2 km, level: easy). <i>Amelanchier spicata</i> dense groves	
19.00-21.30	Travel back to Sigulda/Riga	

Time	Topic	Location
May 14- Field trips		
8.45	Departure from Sigulda/Riga	
8.45-11.00	Travel to IAS pilot area Krustkalni	https://maps.app.goo.gl/UH4BjgHgeuA7DdNu6
11.00-12.00	Krustkalni - <i>Acer negundo</i> pilot area (methods- mowing and mulching). <i>Impatiens glandulifera</i> pilot area (methods- mulching and <i>Eupatorium cannabinum</i> sowing) Observation tower (25m high)	
12.00-12.10	Travel to the Krustkalni Strict Nature Reserve site	https://maps.app.goo.gl/UC7misTDCbyEoTjY8
12.10-13.00	Field trip at Krustkalni Strict Nature Reserve (a few km hike, level: easy)	
13.00-14.30	Travel to Lunch site. Lunch.	<i>Vesetas iela 5, Jaunkalsnava, Kalsnavas pagasts, Madonas novads</i> https://maps.app.goo.gl/wSfSfaWhXSwwVkh68
14.30-16.30	Latvia's State Forests Kalsnava Arboretum. Conclusion, end of visit & farewell	"Ogu Īves", Kalsnavas pagasts, Madonas novads https://maps.app.goo.gl/ZL493Q1CYGsDMkiF7
16.30-18.30	Travel back to Sigulda/Riga	