

Updated Preliminary Agenda Danish Nature Agency Delegation Visit to Latvia – June 1–4, 2026

Participants: ~28 people

Day 1 – Arrival in Latvia

- Arrival at Riga International Airport (approx. 22:00)
- Group transfer to Sigulda
- Overnight in Sigulda

Day 2 – Gauja National Park & Grazing Site

Topics: National Park Management & Grazing

Morning (09:00–13:00):

- Introduction to **Gauja National Park** by the Nature Conservation Agency
- Field visit: park infrastructure and visitor management (e.g., trails, info stands)
- Insights into park visitor management and balancing conservation with recreation

Afternoon (13:00–17:00):

- Lunch
- Visit to **mobile grazing herd** coordinated by the **Latvian Fund for Nature**
 - Field visit to grazing area, discussions

Evening (17:00–22:00):

- Transfer to Kuldīga
- Overnight in Kuldīga

Day 3 – Užava, Lake Engure & Jūrmala

Topics: Dune Restoration, Forest Management, Coastal Habitats

Morning (09:00–13:00):

- Visit to Užava Nature Reserve
 - Cohesion Fund project by Latvian State Forests
 - Field visit to restored wooded dunes (2180) and grey dunes (2130)
 - Discussions of methodologies used in dune and forest habitat management with Latvian State Forests representatives and LIFE-IP LatViaNature forest expert

Afternoon (13:00–17:00):

- Lunch en route or somewhere near Užava
- Transfer to Lake Engure Nature Park (optional)



- Visit to LatViaNature project site: wooded dune habitat restoration and management
- Transfer to Jūrmala
 - Dinner and overnight in Jūrmala

Day 4 – Ķemeri National Park & Departure

Topics: Wetland Restoration, National Park Infrastructure

Morning & Early Afternoon (09:00–15:30):

- Visit to Ķemeri National Park
 - **LIFE+ Hydroplan** project: wetland restoration, re-meandering previously straightened rivers, creating conditions for wild pasture development
 - Visit to restored wetland/grassland areas (Dunduri meadows), discussions
 - Visit **outdoor infrastructure in Ķemeri National Park** (e.g., trails, info stands, viewing towers - Great Ķemeri Bog/Lake Kaņieris). Insights into park visitor management and balancing conservation with recreation
- Lunch in the park area

Afternoon (~15:30):

- Transfer to Riga International Airport
- Departure for Denmark

Additional Notes

- All locations are spread across Latvia, so a rented minibus is recommended for convenience. We can assist with logistics and coordination.
- Expert participation from the Nature Conservation Agency, Latvian Fund for Nature, and Latvian State Forests will be confirmed closer to the date.
- The agenda may be adjusted slightly to accommodate final flight schedules and expert availability.
- Participants pay for lunch and dinner themselves.

