

**Restoration of mire habitats in Boreal Biogeographical Region
24-26 September 2013, Soomaa (Vanaõue), Estonia
Preliminary Agenda**

Tuesday 24 September 2013	
10.00	<i>Departure from Tallinn</i>
12.00 – 13.00	<i>Arrival</i>
13.00 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>
14.00 – 14.10	Welcome, Hanno Zingel, Ministry of the Environment, Estonia
14.10 – 14.40	Restoration of mires in Estonia, Mati Ilomets, Tallinn University, Estonia
14.40 – 15.00	Kurseoo bog restoration project, Kaupo Kohv, State Forest Centre, Estonia
15.00 – 19.00	Field excursion: Kuresoo bog restoration area (Soomaa National Park)
19.00	<i>Dinner</i>
20.30	<i>Sauna</i>
Wednesday 25 September 2013	
6.30 – 8.00	Guided walk in Kuresoo Bog - Hüppassaare nature trail
8.00 – 9.00	<i>Breakfast</i>
9.00 – 9.30	Restoration of mires in Finland, Päivi Virnes, Metsähallitus Natural Heritage Services, Finland
9.30 – 10.00	Restoration of bog hydrology in Latvia, Māra Pakalne & Aija Delina, University of Latvia, Latvia
10.00 – 10.30	Restoration of mires in Lithuania, Gediminas Raščius, Nature Heritage Fund, Lithuania
10.30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee</i>
11.00 – 11.30	Peatland restoration in European Russia - for fire prevention, climate change mitigation and biodiversity, Jan Peters, Michael Succow Foundation for the Protection of Nature, Germany
11.30 – 11.50	Results and lessons from the restoration of Tässä extracted peatland using the variations of Canadian method, Edgar Karofeld & Kai Vellak, Tartu University, Estonia
11.50 - 12.30	Discussion & conclusions
12.30 – 13.00	Introduction to field excursions
13.00 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>
14.00 – 19.00	Field excursion: Kõrsa self-restoration area
19.00	<i>Dinner</i>
20.30	<i>Sauna</i>
Thursday 26 September	
7.30 – 8.30	<i>Breakfast</i>
8.30 – 16.00	Field excursion: Paraspõllu fen and Viru bog (Lahemaa NP) restoration area (former milled peat extraction area). <i>Lunch is included</i>
16.00	Back in Tallinn