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## Development of a Pilot Ecological Network through Nature Frame areas in South Lithuania

### FINAL SEMINAR

**2014 August 26 – 28**

The seminar is organised by the Lithuanian Fund for Nature, the seminar will be held in „Šarūnas“ hotel, Raitininkų st. 4, Vilnius and in the Project areas

LIFE+ Nature project ECONAT LIFE09NAT/LT/00581

### **PROGRAMME**

#### **August 26**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Presentation</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
09:30	Arrival, registration	
10:00	Opening ceremony	Edmundas Greimas, Lithuanian Fund for Nature and representative from the Ministry of Environment
10:10	Goals of the Project „Development of a Pilot Ecological Network through Nature Frame areas in South Lithuania“	Lars Briggs, Amphi Consult
10:40	Results of the Project „Development of a Pilot Ecological Network through Nature Frame areas in South Lithuania“	Dalia Bastytė, Lithuanian Fund for Nature
11:10	Definition of favourable conservation status for Annex IV amphibian & reptile species in Southern Lithuania	Dr. Kåre Fog, Amphi Consult
12:00	Lunch	

<b>Session I HABITAT RESTORATION</b>		
13:00	Aquatic and terrestrial habitat restoration in the Project areas of LIFE+ Nature ECONAT	Lars Briggs, Amphi Consult
13:30	Protection of <i>Emys orbicularis</i> egg laying sites in LIFE+ Nature ECONAT project areas	Irma Maciulevičienė, Veisiejai Regional Park
14:00	Development of beef farm for habitats management	Nerijus Zableckis, Lithuanian Fund for Nature
14:30	Management of habitats with the help of grazing in Žuvintas Biosphere Reserve	Dr. Arūnas Pranaitis, Žuvintas Biosphere Reserve
15:00 Coffee break		
15:15	Discussion	
16:00 – 17:00 <b>Session II POSTER SESSION</b>		
18:00	Dinner	
19:00	Excursion in Vilnius old town	

## August 27

<b>Time</b>	<b>Presentation</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
<b>Session III DEVELOPMENT OF ECOLOGICAL NETWORK</b>		
09:00	Planning of ecological network in the Nature Frame	Dr. Giedrė Godienė, Society of Lithuanian Geographers
09:30	Creating ecological network for <i>Emys orbicularis</i> as an umbrella species	Dalia Bastytė, Lithuanian Fund for Nature
10:00	Distribution and connectivity of tree frogs, <i>Hyla orientalis</i> , in south Lithuania	Dr. Kåre Fog, Amphi Consult
10:30	Coffee break	
11:00	Metapopulation management for <i>Hyla arborea</i> and other threatend amphibians in Schleswig-Holstein	Hauke Drews, Stiftung Naturschutz
11:30	Ecological network plan: fragmentation of habitats and gene flow in populations of saproxylophagous beetle species	U. Valainis, I. Gavarāne, J. Bāra, M. Nitcis, A. Aksjuta, LIFE+ project "EREMITA MEADOWS"
12:00	Lunch	
<b>Session IV sesija REARING OF EUROPEAN POND TURTLES AND EUROPEAN TREE FROGS</b>		
13:00	Rearing of European pond turtle ( <i>Emys</i> )	Alma Pikūnienė, Lithuanian

	<i>orbicularis</i> ) juveniles in Lithuanian Zoological Garden	Zoological Garden
13:30	Latvian experience in conservation of <i>Emys orbicularis</i>	Mihails Pupins, University of Daugavpils, LIFE Herpeto-Latvia project
14:00	Reintroduction of <i>Emys orbicularis</i> in Alsace, France (To be confirmed)	Jean –Yves Georges
14:30	Coffee break	
15:00	Adjustment of rearing methodology for <i>Hyla arborea</i> to the Southern Lithuanian conditions	Irma Maciulevičienė, Veisiejai Regional Park
<b>Session V sesija EDUCATION</b>		
15:30	Education “European pond turtle” in Lithuanian zoological garden – remedy for the species survival	Violeta Lazarevičienė, Lithuanian zoological garden
16:00	Story Time about Turtles in Danger	Ana Alves – Biological Park of Gaia (Portugal) - Life Trachemys Project 09NAT/ES/000529
16:30 – 18:00	Discussion	
19:00	Dinner	

### August 28

Time	Activity	Guide
08:00	Departure from hotel “Šarūnas” in Vilnius	
10:30	Habitats restored for reptiles and amphibians in Petroškai forest in 2007	Irma Maciulevičienė, Veisiejai Regional Park
12:00	Lunch	
14:00	Habitats restored for reptiles and amphibians in surroundings of Paveisiejai in 2012	Lars Briggs, Amphi Consult; Dalia Bastytė, Lithuanian Fund for Nature
16:00	Amphibian and reptilian habitats, managed by extensive meet cattle	Nerijus Zableckis, Žydrūnas Sinkevičius, Lithuanian Fund for Nature, farmer Liudas Jurčiukonis
19:00	Return to Vilnius	

**Practical information:** Please, take comfortable shoes and clothes for the field trip. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask Dalia Bastytė [dalia.b@glis.lt](mailto:dalia.b@glis.lt), phone number +37066365616