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Competence development for forestry
September 26th till October 1st 2011
IUFRO conference in Freiburg, Germany

Excursion # 2

Close to Nature Forestry – Specific Demands for Competences and Capacity of Teamwork & Further Education for Nature Management in Forests

Hosts: to be confirmed

Date: 30th September 2011

Time: 9:00 departure from the conference venue
18:00 arrival at a dinner place close to Freiburg (shuttles to the accommodations on demand)
22:00 latest return to Freiburg

Topics: Competence demand for close to nature forestry operations
Demonstration of competences in selected forest sites Management and Harvesting in mixed stands
Competences and careers in nature tourism and education

Destination: Black Forest: Todtmoos, St. Blasien, Menzenschwand

Transport: modern travel coach

Weather and Clothing: Autumn in the Black Forest can be outstandingly beautiful and warm, however, with bad luck we catch a cold and rainy day, with extensive rainfall, so please be prepared to bring rain protection a light jumper and of course sturdy shoes for the forest site visit where we will take few short walks into the stands.

Cost: Approx. 60 € including transport, lunch and dinner. The final amount will be communicated when the trip is finally fixed and the number of participants is known. The fee will be collected cash at the conference registration desk.

Description

This excursion will take you into the dense Southern part of the Black Forest, which is part of the Natural Park “Südschwarzwald”. This region hosts one of the most outstanding forest districts called “Todtmoos”, where close to nature forestry has a long tradition and has led to impressive forest sites.

Specific requirements for competences of the whole team in management and operations in close to nature forestry in mixed stands will be illustrated. The capacities for teamwork of the regional forester, the forestry workers, and the local contractors maintain highest ecological values and gain maximum economic benefit from timber utilisation.

After a nourishing lunch in a typical restaurant we will take a stop over for a visit of the Dome of St. Blasien, which is a true cultural highlight in this region.

(<http://tourismus.stblasien.de/Sehenswert/Dom-und-Kloster/St.-Blasien-Kloster>)



Weratal bei Todtmoos, Andreas Lill @fotocommunity.net



<http://www.dom-st-blasien.de/>

The afternoon will be dedicated to the presentation of some outstanding nature protection projects in the Nature Park “Südschwarzwald”. Here a specific focus will be on the further education of foresters who are involved in interdisciplinary ecological project. Among others mooreland renaturation and habitat management in forests will be demonstrated on selected scenic sites.

The tour will end at a farm restaurant where simple but delicious regional products will be offered. Return to Freiburg will be at approx. 20:00 hrs. Earlier return to the city might be arranged on demand.