

BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME

“THE GREEN TRANSITION: THINKING AND ACTING GREEN TO MITIGATE CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL BIODIVERSITY DEGRADATION”

Daugavpils University, Latvia
Study and Research center “Ilgas”
13 – 17 May, 2024

Date	Time	Activity
Sun 12/05	ARRIVING TO DAUGAVPILS Accommodation at Study and Research Center “Ilgas”	
Mon 13/05	09:30-10:00	Registration/welcome coffee
	10:00-10:30	Opening and introduction/ Inese Hodanova
	10:30-11:15	What is European Green Deal? Questions and Answers <i>Ministry of Climate and Energy, Deputy Secretary of State for climate policy</i> <i>Dagnis Dubrovskis</i>
	11:30-12:30	Practical aspects of Biodiversity Conservation. LIFE Integrated project “Optimising the Governance and Management of the Natura 2000 Protected Areas Network in Latvia” experience / Ģirts Baranovskis, Head of Compensation Department of LIFE LatViaNature project
	13:00-14:00	Lunch (self payment)
	14:00-15:30	The guided story of the Study and Research Center "Ilgas" <i>Senior researchers Uldis Valainis and Pēteris Evarts - Bunders</i>
	16:00-23:00	Free time and open air intercultural afternoon
	23:00-01:00	Night excursion / Environmental expert at Joint Stock Company “Latvia's State Forests” Gaidis Grandāns
Tue 14/05	09:30	Transfer to Daugavpils city
	10:00-10:45	“Urban green spaces as a climate change mitigation solution” <i>VU Šiauliai Academy, prof. dr. Ingrida Šaulienė</i> <i>Parādes street 1A, room 130, Daugavpils</i>
	10:50-11:35	“Climate change impact on urban ecosystem assessment” <i>VU Šiauliai Academy, Assoc. prof. dr. Laura Šukienė</i> <i>Parādes street 1A, room 130, Daugavpils</i>
	11:40-12:25	Enrichment of water bodies with chemical compounds released from pollen into surface water <i>VU Šiauliai Academy, Assoc. prof. dr Ilona Kerienė</i> <i>Parādes street 1A, room 130, Daugavpils</i>
	13:00-14:00	Lunch (self payment) <i>Restaurant “Plaza” (daily lunch offer), Ģimnāzijas str. 46</i>
	14:00-15:30	Visit to Esplanade rest park (theory in practice) <i>Olga Tolmačova, Head of the Department of Investments and International Relations of Daugavpils Municipality.</i>

	15:30-16:00	<i>Uldis Valainis, Head of the Institute of Life Sciences and Technologies</i>
	16:00-17:00	Visit to “Latgales Zoodārzs” <i>Dr. Mihails Pupiņš</i>
	17:00	Visit to Daugavpils Innovation Centre <i>Vienibas str. 30</i> Transfer to “Ilgas”
Wed 15/05	09:00	Transfer to nature park “Dvietes paliene” The Big Cleanup – Pasture fence restoration activities
	13:00-14:00	Lunch (<i>traditional Latvian meal/ self payment</i>)
	14:00-15:00	Biodiversity conservation activities <i>Benita Štrausa, Dviete Valley Information Centre “Gulbji”</i>
Thu 16/05	08:00	Transfer to Salaspils National Botanical Garden
	11:00-11:45	“The role of botanical gardens in biodiversity conservation” <i>VU Šiauliai Academy, lecturer Dr. Martynas Kazlauskas</i>
	12:00-13:00	Lunch (<i>self payment</i>)
	13:00-14:30	Visit of National Botanical Garden
	14:30-16:30	Visit to Teiči Nature Reserve <i>Nature Conservation Agency expert Dagnis Vasiļevskis</i>
	17:00 18:00	Dinner (<i>self payment</i>) Transfer to Study and Research Center “Ilgas”
Fri 17/05	09:00	Transfer to Daugavpils
	10:00-11:30	How to educate society to live in a green world? What leads to environmentally and climate-friendly actions? Discussion/questions/ answers <i>Researcher Inga Belousa, NGO “Green Liberty”</i>
	12:00-13:00	Lunch (<i>self payment</i>)
	13:30-15:00	Student presentations
	15:30	Closing of the programme, awarding the certificates/ farewell cake/ group photo <i>Vienibas str. 13, room 214.</i>
Sat 18/05		Departure