

Symposium of NAU in Latvia June the 4th, 2009

A Changing World and the Genetic Resources of Gardens, Parks and Landscapes in the Nordic Region

First day 03.06.09

1. Arrive in hotel
2. Registration and cultural programme (in afternoon time)

Second day 04.06.09 (In Bulduri Horticultural High-school, address: Jūrmala, Bulduri, Viestura street 6, LV-2010)

Registration: 9.00-10.00 in main hall.

Conference session

1. **Knud Ib Christensen:** The NAU or Nordic Arboretum Committee – a brief introduction – 10 minutes
2. **Frans Emil Wielgolaski:** Plants and Climate – 20 minutes
3. **Oddvar Skre:** Regional trends in annual growth and time of budburst in birch (*Betula pubescens*) as related to climate change – 20 minutes
4. **Elisabeth Öberg:** Why is it important to save the old ornamental woody plant material? – A north Swedish perspective 1980–2008 – 20 minutes
5. **Björn Aldén:** Long-termed work in a world of short-termed activities - The Landscape Arboretum of the Gothenburg Botanical Garden – 20 minutes
6. **Tomas Lagerström:** Plant Selection and Improvement from a User's Perspective – 20 minutes
7. **Juha Raisio:** Selecting city trees for the future (NOT CONFIRMED) – 20 minutes

After conference session a small college garden visit.

Night time Riga's parks and gardens

Evening meal and free time

Third day 05.06.09

7.45 – leave the hotel

8.00 – depart for Babīte Rhododendron collection and selection garden visit

9.00-11.00 Visit in Rhododendron garden

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30 Depart for Lāčupe dendrarium visits

14.00-15.00 Lunch in Fisherman's village with local food (no expense)

15.15-18.00 Visit A. Auders small conifer's collection garden

In garden coffee break.

18.30 Depart for visit Ventspils city.

20.00-20.20 Arrive Ventspils hotel and evening meal.

Fourth day 06.06.09

7.45 Leave the hotel

8.00-10.00 The tour around Ventspils city parks, sea side, ethnographic museum with sculptor and children gardens

10.15 Depart for nursery – Īves – visit (nearly the city Liepāja)

Nursery – Īves – growing the forest plant material mainly and ornamentals to for local needs. Way from Ventspils to nursery 90 km.

? Coffee break in the way

13.30-14.25 Lunch in the old town Grobiņa (nearly to nursery)

15.00-16.00 The old seaport city Liepāja with 100 years old seaside park.

16.15 Leave the city

17.00 Visit to new arboretum Rucava with evening programme.

Fifth day 07.06.09

7.45 – breakfast and leave from guest house Rucava Arboretum

10.00 – 14.00 Visit in Lithuania cities Palanga and Klaipeda University Gardens and parks

14.00-15.00 Lunch in Klaipeda

15.00 ?

In evening time arrive in hotel in Riga

Thanks

**** - hotels approx. price EUR 70-85

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**** - guest house approx. price EUR 10-15