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## Changing ecosystems - Opportunities and challenges in integrated research



**Join the first INAR RI Ecosystems Scientific meeting at Oulanka Research station  
20.-22.8.2018!**

The purpose of the conference is to bring together ecosystems researchers in Finland and to give an update of ongoing environmental studies. The conference will cover research on different ecosystems, across scales and scientific disciplines. Both experimental and observational approaches are included and appreciated. One aim of the conference is to promote communication and community building of the Finnish ecosystem research, an important part of integrated infrastructure development both nationally and internationally. **By participating, you will be experiencing the Big Bang of the Finnish integrative ecosystem research and contributing to it!**



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The conference will be divided into following sessions and tentative workshops:

Needs and challenges in scaling up from local to regional — *Keynote: Tarmo Virtanen*

Links between biodiversity and climate change — *Keynote: Peter Haase*

Why do we need models in ecosystem science? — *Keynote: Martyn Futter*

Mitigation of climate change through ecosystems — *Keynote: Anne Tolvanen*

New technologies and their possibilities in ecosystem research — *Keynote: TBC*

Lateral Carbon Transport — *Keynote: Hjalmar Laudon*

Workshop I Experiences and plans for technical solutions for long term experiments

Workshop II Data management (station level, research group level)

Workshop III Funding possibilities related to environmental infrastructures

Workshop IV Measurements across disciplines – how to achieve a real integration?

We will start the meeting on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> afternoon. One session will be held that evening, three sessions on Tuesday and two sessions in the morning of Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and we will finish at lunch. The order of sessions and a detailed conference program will be announced later.

### Registration

**Registration and abstract call is open and closes in the end of July.**

You can register from [here: https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/89704/lomake.html](https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/89704/lomake.html)

We invite to present your research in the conference. Therefore, please submit an abstract of 250 words and your preference for an oral presentation or a poster with the registration. The maximum number of participants due to accommodation limits is 60, so register soon to ensure your place!

### Costs:

There is no registration fee.

Each participant needs to cover their own travelling costs and accommodation at Oulanka station (2 x 47 €/day, including meals and housing). Payment at the site with cash and credit cards or by invoice. INAR RI Ecosystem will offer the transport from Kuusamo to Oulanka on the times specified below and extra costs during the conference.



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### Travels:

We will organise the transport from Kuusamo to Oulanka on Monday 20.8.:  
Kuusamo airport for the flight AY489 from Helsinki at 12:20-14:00  
Kuusamo bus station for the bus Oulu-Kuusamo at 11:00-14:00

And back to Kuusamo on Wed 22.8.:  
to the flight AY490 to Helsinki at 14:20-16:00  
to bus Kuusamo-Oulu at 13:20-16:00

<https://www.finnair.com/gb/gb>

<https://matkahuolto.fi/en/>

<https://www.vr.fi/cs/vr/en/frontpage>

**Feel free to share this invitation further to potentially interested people.**

**Looking forward to see you at Oulanka!**

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