

**AGENDA**  
(v05, 2010-05-03)

**1<sup>st</sup> June, Day 1**

***Welcome to the meeting by M.Mirtl and K.Krauze***

***11.00-13:30 Progress since August 2009***

- Overview report by chair (M.Mirtl)
- EP LTSEER (E. Furman): some related issues (IDR) covered in ALTER-Net session
- EP Information Management (J. Peterseil)
- EP Harmonisation & Standardisation, including aspects from LIFE+ project EnvEurope (M. Frenzel & M. Adamescu)
- EP Science Strategy (K. Krauze; E. Groner: preparation)
- EP Communication (M. Frenzel as deputy for A. Sier)
- EP Methods & Technology (R. Diaz, if material provided by lead S. Zaccharias (also EXPEER WP lead))

*13.30- 14.00 lunch*

***14.00-15.30– Key news from national networks (short reports by NNRs)***

- Site network review and progress of LTER-Portugal (M. Santos-Reis)
- Progress of LTER-Sweden (forthcoming application, L. Bringmark/ U. Grandin)
- Ad hoc reports of other national networks
- Annual National Report (ANR) 2010: proposed contents, discussion and agreement on time plan

*15.30-15.45 – coffee break*

***15.45 – 18.00 – Involvement of LTER-Europe in European projects***

- Report on recent projects and project proposals
  - EXPEER, FOREBIO, EcoBioERA (M.Mirtl)
  - COST project "Establishing LTER-based Ecosystem Service Observatories and Research Network (LTER-ESnet)" (K. Krauze & M. Kertesz)
  - LIFE+ EnvEurope: Overview, relevance of action 4 "networking" and implications for LTER-Europe (A. Pugnetti; A. Campanaro; M. Mirtl)
  - Ecosystem Service Initiative of ILTER, ESI (K. Krauze)
- Future involvements:
  - Presentation and discussion of approaches for network involvement in the future (M. Mirtl)
  - Agreement on models and respective decision making processes for network involvement
  - Strategy for involvement of emerging national networks

*19.30 Dinner*

## 2nd June, Day 2

### **8.30 – 10.00 Strategy of LTER-Europe regarding European Research Infrastructure policy**

- ESFRI/LifeWatch: Overview, role of in-situ networks, national implementations and implications for LTER networks (Olaf Banki, LifeWatch Co-coordinator)
- LifeWatch and role of LTER-Europe: discussion (perspective of ALTER-Net/Parr/Kertesz for Török etc.)
- Interface with ANAEE and EXPEER: strategic statement (M. Mirtl)
- Lessons learned: Classification of European LTER sites: purpose and proposal (M. Mirtl)
- Design of LTER sites: how to increase capability to host experimental approaches/ invasive experiments (discussion)

*10.00-10.15 coffee break*

### **10.15 – 11.30 Relationship with ALTER-Net II (T. Parr)**

- Activities under ALTER-Net
  - Multisite experiment (L. Halada & R. Kanka)
  - Interdisciplinary research, LTSEER and ALTER Ecosystem Services initiative– overview of activities (E. Furman)
  - Data Providers Project of LifeWatch/ALTER-Net (M. Kertesz)
  - Common Research Strategy: see next block in the agenda
  - Courses and trainings organized by partners: participants to report
- Relation and synergies between ALTER and LTER-Europe: statements by T. Parr & M. Mirtl and discussion

### **11.30 – 13.00 Sharpening the scientific profile of the network**

- Key publications collation – also as exemplar for planned ALTER action (K. Krauze & M. Mirtl)
- Options for multi-site projects (T. Parr)
- Findings of the Meta-analysis on climate effects (C. Baessler)
- Ad hoc reports on projects (e.g. SWITCH)

*13.00-13.30 – lunch*

### **13.30 – 15.00 Workplan for 2010/2011**

- Discussion & prioritisation of activities
- National ToDo lists
- Annual National Reports 2010
- LTER-Europe Best Examples Book

*15.00-15.15 - coffee break*

### **15.15 – 17.00 Preparation for the ILTER conference in Israel**

- Overview and scope (T. Parr)
- LTER-Europe Regional Group meeting back to back with ILTER conference (depending on quorum and list of issues to be tackled ev. to be held as 8<sup>th</sup> LTER-Europe Conference)
- European Contributions to the Science Session at the ILTER conference (see ILTER announcements)
- Proposals to the ILTER organizing committee