

## Environmental Woodland Management Tour to North Germany 2009

### *Preliminary programme*

#### **Day 1, Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009**

Arrival at Copenhagen (Flight Manchester – Copenhagen, SK540, 10.20 – 13.20 hrs).

Sjælland: Suserup Skov nature reserve, oak and beech management at Bregentved estate.

**Host of the day:** Prof Jens Peter Skovsgaard (Copenhagen University).

Transfer to Niebüll.

#### **Day 2, Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009**

**Cultural programme:** Visit to the city of Husum or Friedrichstadt (morning).

Nordfriesland FD: Mixed coniferous broadleaved woodlands on poor sandy soils (cmpt. 411 and others; “Emeis stands”).

**Host of the day:** Bernd Friedrichsdorf (FD manager).

#### **Day 3, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2009**

Nordfriesland FD: CCF afforestation from scratch: Direct establishment of mixed coniferous-broadleaved forests on former agricultural land near the North Sea coast; Transformation of Sitka spruce stands through underplanting. Thinning exercise.

**Host of the day:** Bernd Friedrichsdorf (FD manager).

**Cultural programme:** North Sea tidal flats (Wattenmeer).

#### **Day 4, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2009**

Sellhorn FD: Transformation of Scots pine stands to mixed uneven-aged forests; different transformation scenarios in Douglas fir woodlands.

**Hosts of the day:** Rainer Köpsell, (FD manager).

Transfer to Dassel.

#### **Day 5, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

Neuhaus FD: Introduction to the silvicultural strategy of Lower Saxony; Mixed Norway spruce/ beech, oak restoration, thinning analysis.

Prof Michael Bredemeier: Roof project (long term biogeochemical project on forest decline); level II research plots.

**Hosts of the day:** Walter Hennecke (FD manager), Prof Michael Bredemeier (University of Göttingen).

**Cultural programme:** Hamlin.

#### **Day 6, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

Gunther Walsleben: Forest decline areas (acid rain, heavy metals, unsuitable provenances) in the Harz mountains (Wurmberg).

Ralf Nagel: Norway spruce selection forest St. Andreasberg.

Christian Lux: Lynx project.

**Hosts of the day:** Gunther Walsleben (FD manager, retired), Ralf Nagel (North-West German Forest Research Station), Christian Lux (Lynx project, Bad Harzburg).

#### **Day 7, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

Visit to the Faculty of Forest Science and Woodland Ecology (Göttingen University)

Reinhausen FD: Introduction to the site conditions of the Göttinger Wald and the vascular plant vegetation (Prof Schmidt). Management of mixed noble tree stands (ash, sycamore, beech, elm, maples) and yew conservation on calcareous soils (Otto Beck);

**Hosts of the afternoon:** Prof Wolfgang Schmidt (Göttingen University), Otto Beck (FD manager).

**Cultural programme:** City of Göttingen.

#### **Day 8, Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

Wolfgang Pankatz: Mixed ash-beech forests on calcareous soils. *Picea-omorica* and *Picea-glehnii* trials. Orchid conservation in the Burgberg forest.

**Host of the day:** Wolfgang Pankatz (Local area manager, Neuhaus FD).

#### **Day 9, Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

**PLEASE NOTE EXTENDED RETURN DATE DUE TO FLIGHT AVAILABILITY**

Departure from Bremen (Bremen – Manchester, FR1366, 12.00 – 12.20 hrs).