





OBJECTIVE

The 4th European Green Belt Conference will share information on achievements and best practices, while also encouraging discussion about new opportunities and desirable next steps.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Regional Coordinators and Focal Points for the European Green Belt are key to the wider understanding of projects and the future shape of the initiative. Those involved with European Green Belt projects on the ground, whether research or applied, would also benefit. The media are welcome too.



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The Norwegian Directorate for Nature Management







Wednesday 6th October 2010 Kuhmo Arts Centre, Kuhmo, Finland

morning session

Chair: Boris Erg, IUCN

9.00	Welcome and opening of the 4 th European Green Belt Conference	Jussi Soramäki, Councilor, Ministry of Environment, Finland
9.15	Overview of the European Green Belt Regions	
	1. Fennoscandia	 1 a) Rustam Sagitov, Baltic Fund For Nature, Russia 1 b) Kari Lahti/Lassi Karivalo, Metsähallitus Natural Heritage Services of Finland (NHS) 1 c) Jan-Peter Huberth-Hansen, Norwegian Directorate of Nature Management (DN), Norway
• • • • • •	2. Central Europe	2. Kai Frobel – BUND
	3. South East Europe	3. Uwe Riecken – on the behalf of Euronatur
10.45	Coffee/tea break	
11.00	From Paper to Practice	
	1. Implementing the Green Belt in Germany	1. Uwe Riecken – BfN
	2. Delivering EuGB outputs within the Dinaric Arc project	2. Aysegul Cil – European Centre for Nature Conservation
	 The Green Belt initiative in the transboundary Osogovo Mountains region – challenges and successes 	3. Petko Tzvetkov and Peter Todorov – Bulgarian Biodiversity Fund
12.30	Lunch	



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AGENDA evening session

Chair: Alois Lang, Neusiedlersee NP		
13.30	The Green Belt as tourism offer	
	1. Tourism, EuGB brand and the Baltic Green Belt	1. Asnate Ziemele - Lauku ceļotājs
	 Sustainable tourism in the Green Belt of Fennoscandia (GBF) - Costs and Benefits 	2. Matti Tapaninen – NHS
	3. International bike trip - Our coast 2010	3. Vera Ovcharenko – Green World
15.00	Coffee/Tea Break	
15.15	Research and transboundary cooperation	
	1. Transboundary protected areas cooperation within the GBF	1. Kari Lahti, NHS / Alexander Bizhon, Paanajärvi NP, Russia
	2. Research cooperation along the GBF	2. Alexander Kryshen, Russia / Raimo Heikkilä and Tapio Lindholm, Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE)
	3. Trilateral (Nor-Rus-Fin) cooperation along the GBF	3. Pasvik Zapovednik, Russia / Metsähallitus Natural Heritage Services of Finland / The County Governor of Finnmark, Norway
16.45	Final remarks and conclusions	Boris Erg, IUCN Kari Lahti, NHS
17.00	Dinner: Kuhmo Arts Centre	
19.00	UMO jazz concert	