

WILDLIFE ESTATES LABEL

WE act for biodiversity



Editorial

On the 2nd-4th September our annual Plenary Session took place at Holkham Estate, the only WE Labelled estate in England for now.

It was one of the most successful WE Plenary sessions ever. A total of 65 delegates were present and this included 30 English, for whom most this was their first attendance to an ELO or a WE event.

The reunion was a really important step in the WE history towards establishing the English WE Label. This event was also a great opportunity for an exchange of views on important issues, such as recognition of our work, linking the WE Label more with European legislation on nature protection, how to introduce coherence in our methodology as regards the completion of questionnaires and other subjects.

The enthusiasm of other country delegates, who took the floor during the two days discussion and reassured the English landowners present that indeed this project is offering them a unique opportunity to gain

exemplary management practices, was encouraging.

I very much welcomed the interest and commitment that our English colleagues have shown for the WE Label and I am looking forward to help them in developing their national WE scheme.

I am also pleased to see the developments in Romania where our country delegate, Álvaro Martínez Serrada, reported to evaluate 3 pilot estates. My warmest congratulations for his achievements!

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New WE Estates

Finland

- Kullo
- Kiiala
- Wanantaka

Portugal

- Herdade do Zambujal
- Cubeira

Romania (3 Pilot Estates)

- Cormoș
- Herculian
- Reci-lisnâu



The Intergroup “sustainable hunting, biodiversity, countryside activities & forestry” has been approved under the name “biodiversity, countryside, hunting, and recreational fisheries” among the 28 groups which have been confirmed for the next 5 years. For more information [click here](#).

Belgian Estate receives the Belleuropa Award during this years' European Biodiversity Conference in Brussels, to read the article [click here](#).

Eurosite Sustainable Wildlife Management workshop: integrating hunting practices with nature conservation planning

The workshop, that brought together a great line-up of speakers from some of the leading organisations in the field of hunting and nature conservation, including FACE, ELO, and the Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust, intended to provide a platform for site managers, hunters and hunting organisations, policy makers and other key stakeholders such as farmers and landowners, to come together to share knowledge, experiences and best practice case studies.

Finnish WE workshop:

“Why to join the WE network, what does it bring to an estate?”

On the 28th of November Finish WE National Delegation organized a workshop to promote WE Label in the country. The workshop featured a speeches from not just project organizers, but also estate owners who already received the label.

As part of the workshop three new WE Labels were bestowed to Finnish owners.

To read the whole article [click here](#).

Upcoming events

10/03/2015

WE Scientific Committee,
Fondation François Sommer
60, rue des Archives
75003 Paris

01/04/2015

WE Steering Committee, Brussels

02/04/2015

WE Evaluator Training, Brussels

06/2015

Large Carnivore Meeting, Brussels

Plenary Session 2015 – SPAIN
Dates and venue to be confirmed

WE Label wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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