

2nd Carpathian ESD Seminar

Zakopane, Poland
28-30 September 2022

Preliminary Programme

28 September (Wednesday)

Before lunch arrival of the participants

13.00 – 14.30 lunch (*restaurant in the hotel*)

15.00 – 18.00 Session I by ESD expert network (*conference room in the hotel*)

- OPENING (*Polish Presidency; 15 mins*)
- Introduction of the participants and “delegations” of every country (*20 mins*)
- Introduction into the session (*Organizers; 5 mins*)

- Brief presentations from the team of every Carpathian country, who can show slides or a poster, linking their presentation with the main questions:
 - ⇒ How can the Carpathian Convention be promoted via these activities?
 - ⇒ Can these activities become core activities of the Carpathian ESD Expert network, and how?

(30 mins, about 3-4 minutes per country - with the aim to provide brief impulse ideas for the discussions during the “Market Place” exercise)

- Market Place – *some participants who presented are stationed around the room, next to their posters or tables with information, if available – and others are moving around to talk with each presenting group, with several questions in mind:*
 - ⇒ How can the Carpathian Convention be promoted via these activities?
 - ⇒ Can these activities become core activities of the Carpathian ESD Expert network, and how?
 - ⇒ What are the needs of and gaps, and which actions we will take to address them?

- participants will be asked to write down ideas on paper /posters

(1 hour)

- Reflection session and Discussion: *each presenting group provides feedback on the above questions, based on the discussions during the Market Place*

(45 mins)

19.00 – 21.00 dinner

29 September (Thursday)

9.00 – 13.00 Ecological education in the national parks in Poland - visit to the Tatra National Park, field trip

14.00 – 15.00 lunch in Zakopane

15.00 – 18.00 Session II by ESD expert network (meeting room in the Education Centre of the Tatra National Park)

- Introductory presentation on the Carpathian ESD process to-date: Carpathian Convention networks report; UNECE SC on ESD, UNECE and UNESCO frameworks and how Carpathian Convention is related (20 mins)
- Group Invention method+ World café applied for participatory discussion:
 - Participatory ideas gathering on the posters with ideas from Day 1 reflected (20 mins)
 - Participatory ideas prioritisation and characterisation, commenting on feasibility and challenges (color-coding) (30 mins)
 - Discussion of results in national groups (30 mins)
 - Discussion of results based on target group (teachers, NGOs, policy-makers, scientists) (30 mins)
- Brief summary provided by representatives of each national group, and inputs from representatives of teachers, NGOs, nominated experts (40 mins, with the following questions in mind):
 - ⇒ Which actors are interested in implementing and leading specific activities of the Carpathian ESD Network?
 - ⇒ How can the Carpathian Convention be promoted via these activities?
 - ⇒ How are the Carpathian ESD activities contributing to the implementation of UNECE and UNESCO strategies?
 - ⇒ What are the needs of each group of participants in implementing and planning Carpathian ESD-related activities, which we can help address together?

19.00 – 21.00 dinner (restaurant in the hotel)

- During or after dinner, meeting of Carpathian Convention Troika representatives with Secretariat and S4C to draw conclusions based on the participatory inputs.

30 September (Friday)

9.00 – 12.00 Nature education outdoors – field trip guided by a nature educator

12.00 – 13.00 Session III by ESD expert network – summary of the seminar (conference room in the hotel)

- The Convention Troika representatives (Hungary, Poland, Serbia) make summary presentations and outline the way forward, considering the following:
 - Overview of the way forward, next steps and the main activities ahead
 - Reflection on the joint vision
 - Outline messages to be taken to the Environment for Europe conference (for example, Carpathian Convention role in for mainstreaming ESD into educational systems in the Carpathian area)
- Inputs and final messages from other participants

13.00 – 14.00 lunch (restaurant in the hotel)

Departure of the participants