

12th European Forest Pedagogics Congress 2017

Forest pedagogics - adventures between communicating and educating

3. - 6. 10. 2017

Milovy, Orea Resort Devět Skal



12th European Forest Pedagogics Congress 2017 is hosted by [Forest Management Institute](#) Czech Republic under the auspices of Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic. The congress will be held in Milovy, Czech Republic from 3 - 6th October 2017.

The congress is organised by Forest Communicators Network Subgroup Forest Pedagogy, part of the UNECE. The European Forest Pedagogy Congress is organised annually to provide a platform for the exchange of experiences and for the discussion of currently relevant topics or challenges for forest pedagogy in Europe. The focus of this year's congress is on challenges and opportunities in Forest Pedagogics as both communication and environmental education and relations between them.

Congress Topics (from FCN-subgroup European Strategy on Forest Pedagogy)

- A4 *Forest owners, forest administration and forest enterprises are communicating about management of their forests through Forest Pedagogy activities.*
- B1 *Forest Pedagogy is an educational process to reach environmental maturity and Forest Pedagogy is a prime example for ESD.*

Call for Proposals

The congress encourages forest pedagogues to submit proposals for workshops, Market of Projects and Market of Activities. The proposals should follow guidelines and respect the topic of the congress "Forest pedagogics - adventures between communicating and educating". The organising institutions and the FCN-Subgroup Forest Pedagogy will choose a selection of workshops, projects and activities from the proposals to provide an interesting and diverse congress programme. We value your input, therefore we offer a fee-free attendance to those whose workshop, project or activity is chosen. This applies to one participant per each activity, workshop or project.

Deadline for proposals is 31/5/2017.

Other Activities at the Conference

After the conference, the participants can take part in:

- A half day excursion to the [Centre EDEN](#) – centre for environmental education, includes both traditional and modern technologies, brewery and more.
- One day field trip "A Day with a Forester" - a successful forest pedagogics programme for elementary schools by LDO Přebyslav (forestry cooperative).

Steering Committee

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Registration

Registration will be opened on 1/7/2017.

Congress fee: €200

Tentative excursion fees: €40 short, €70 long

Preliminary schedule, important dates

1/4/2017	Submission of proposals for Workshops, Market of Projects and Market of Activities open
31/5/2017	Submission of proposals for Workshops, Market of Projects and Market of Activities closed
1/7/2017	Registration opens
31/7/2017	Authors will be informed of the status of their proposals
TBA	Registration deadline
TBA	Payment deadline

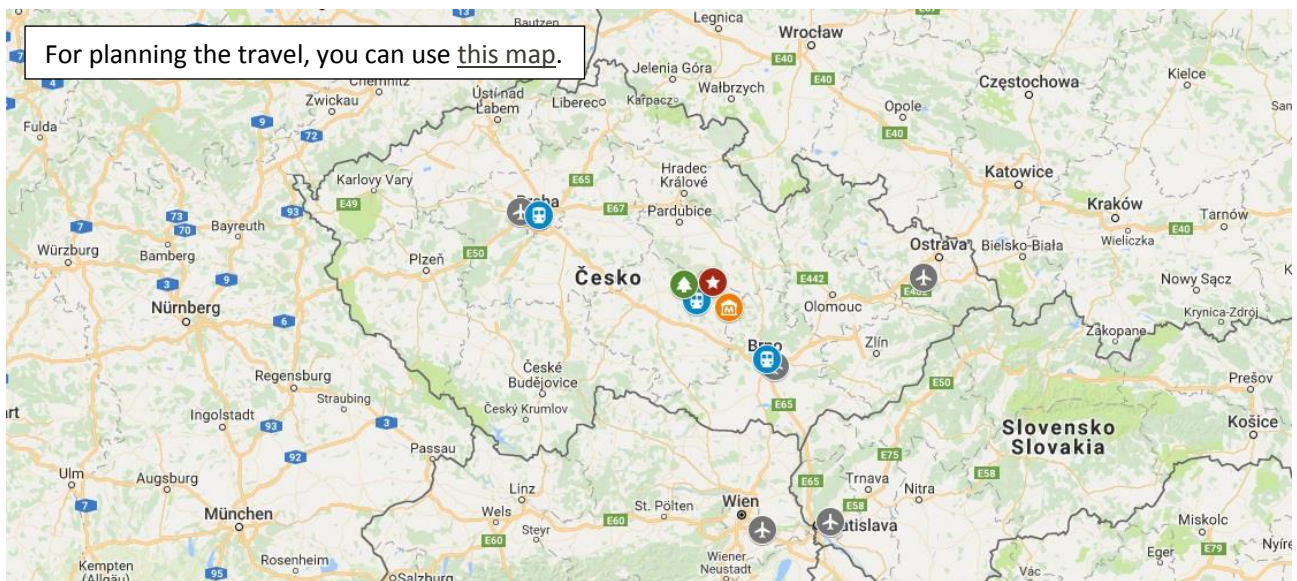
Congress

3/10/2017	Arrival, registration and evening ice-breaker
4/10/2017	Registration
4/10/2017	Opening of the Congress (10 am), Keynote speakers, Workshops, Market of Projects
5/10/2017	Keynote speakers, Panel discussion, Workshops, Market of Activities
6/10/2017	Excursions, Possibility of Departure

Venue and accommodation

[Orea Resort Devět Skal](#) in the heart of the Czech Republic (Vysocina Region).

Travel



To Czech Republic by plane

You are most likely to travel via Prague or Brno. In Prague is the Vaclav Havel Airport Prague (PRG), in Brno is the Brno Airport (BRQ, low-cost companies only). From both airports you can take a direct bus to respective Prague/Brno Main Railway Stations (in Czech “hlavní nádraží”). There are other airports such as Ostrava and Vienna, but the travel from these to the venue is longer and more difficult. Once you are on the Main Railway Station continue to Zdar nad Sazavou.

Note: Transport from Airport to Main Railway Station in Prague is by Airport Express, CZK 43, leaves every 30 min (xx:00 and xx:30). Transport from Airport to Main Railway Station in Brno is by E76, CZK 25, leaves every 30 min (xx:07 and xx:37).

To Czech Republic by train or bus

Go to Prague or Brno Main Railway Station and continue from there to Zdar nad Sazavou. In Prague, international busses usually go to Praha-Florenc, it is one station by subway from Main Railway Station (red line “C”, direction Háje, ticket for CZK 24). In Brno the bus stop is in walking distance (500 m) from the Main Railway Station.

From Prague/Brno to Zdar nad Sazavou

Once you are in Prague or Brno take a train. There are direct trains from both Prague and Brno Main Railway Stations. If you go from Prague, train goes in the direction to Brno and the other way round. Timetable, connection details and purchase of tickets can be found at <https://www.cd.cz/default.htm>

Note 1: There are two train routes between Prague and Brno, make sure the train has Zdar nad Sazavou in the “Via” area. Note 2: Please make sure you have your ticket before you board the train to avoid additional fees.

From Zdar nad Sazavou to the venue

Shuttle will be provided from the train station. Please mark your interest in the registration form. Later we will send to everyone interested times of departure of the shuttle.

Arriving by car

Go to Orea Resort Devět Skal, Milovy 11, Svatka. Most probably, you take the highway D1 to exit 119 (if going from Prague) or exit 162 (if going from Brno) or any other between these two.