



10th ALTER-Net Summer School 2 - 12 September 2015, France

**An Interdisciplinary Perspective on
Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services**

2-12 September 2015

**Peyresq, Alpes de Haute-Provence,
France**

Apply by: 27 May

ALTER-Net invites applications to its 10th annual Summer School, a unique opportunity for an intensive course on the science, policy and practice of European biodiversity and ecosystem services in the beautiful surroundings of Peyresq, in South-Eastern France.

The ALTER-Net Summer Schools provide an innovative atmosphere for thinking about and resolving sustainability challenges, and promote interdisciplinary approaches.

The 2015 Summer School will focus on:

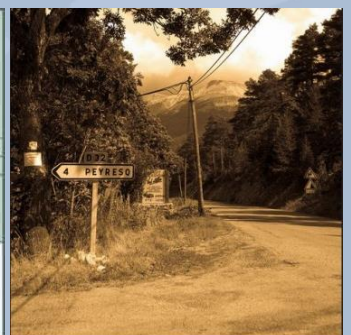
- Biodiversity, natural capital & ecosystem services;
- Scenario building & adaptation to environmental change;
- Mapping & valuation of biodiversity & ecosystem services;
- Conservation, restoration, participation & managing conflict;
- Resilience of social & natural systems;
- Science, policy, governance & communication.



To apply - closing date: 27 May

Please see the notes overleaf concerning eligibility, fees, etc. The registration form and further information about the Summer School are on the ALTER-Net website:

www.alter-net.info





More information

Eligibility

The ALTER-Net 2015 summer school is open to young graduate and post-graduate scientists from the network partners and elsewhere, including two participants from developing countries. Adequate English skills are required. All participants are asked to present a poster on their own research. The summer school is limited to 32 participants, selected to achieve a mix of regions, disciplines and gender.



Costs

Participants must cover part of the costs for the school through a registration fee of €800. This includes all local costs including lectures, meals, refreshments, the field trip and accommodation in double rooms with shared bathrooms. A small number of support grants to waive part or all of the fee are available for students from developing countries and countries with economies in transition (details available on request). Travel costs must be covered by the participants.

Conveners

Allan Watt, NERC Centre for Ecology & Hydrology, UK; Marie Vandewalle, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research, Germany; Steve Redpath, Aberdeen University/James Hutton Institute, UK; Taru Peltola, Irstea, France; Uta Fritsch, EURAC Research, Italy.



Confirmed speakers

- Bill Adams, Univ. of Cambridge, UK
- Estelle Balian, Belgian Biodiversity Platform, BE
- Leon Braat, Alterra, NL
- Wolfgang Cramer, IMBE, FR
- Uta Fritsch, EURAC Project, IT
- Erik Gomez, NINA, NO
- Ariella Helfgott, Wageningen Univ., NL
- Francine Hughes, Anglia Ruskin Univ., UK
- Thomas Koetz, IPBES secretariat, DE
- Carsten Neßhöver, UFZ, DE
- Taru Peltola, Irstea, FR
- Fabien Quetier, BIOTOPE, FR
- Mark Rounsevell, Univ. of Edinburgh, UK
- Helen Roy, CEH, UK
- Martin Sharman, formerly EC, SE
- Mark Sutton, CEH, UK
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About ALTER-Net

ALTER-Net is a network of partner institutes from 18 European countries which aims to integrate research capacities across Europe: assessing changes in biodiversity, analysing the effect of changes on ecosystem services and informing policymakers and the public about this.