Management of extensive grasslands in mountain areas  
- in memory of Dr. Barbara Knowles

29th May – 31st May 2016

Venue: Boros guesthouse and museum  
Lunca de Jos  
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Hosts: Landcare Germany (DVL)  
Pogány-havas Regional Association (PHA)

Food & Accommodation: There will be shared bed rooms (3-4 persons) provided at the venue location. Meals and beverages will be provided at the conference.

Costs: There is no conference fee. Travel expenses are paid by participants.

Language: English

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Please register by 13.05.2016
How to preserve species-rich grassland and traditional farming systems?

Extensively managed grasslands are among the most biodiverse systems in Europe, but are threatened by abandonment, intensification, land-use change and poorly designed policies.

In this workshop, we invite scientists, farmers, conservationists and policymakers to discuss how to develop the "best" advice for management and conservation of biodiverse grasslands, and how to support nature-friendly farming systems which are profitable and socially sustainable in the modern context.

We are looking forward to an exciting and interesting conference!

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**Program**

**Sunday, 29.05.2016**

**19:30** Dinner

**21:00** Presentation of the film ‘Mountain Hay Meadows: hotspots of biodiversity and traditional culture’ by László Demeter and Ágota Juhász (an award winning documentary about nature and farming in the Pogány-havas region)

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**Program**

**Monday, 30.05.2016**

**8:45** Registration

**9:00** Opening

Gergely Rodics (Pogány-havas Regional Association, PHA) & N.N.

**9:45** Characteristics of species-rich grasslands in the Ciuc Mountains

Laszlo Demeter (Pogány-havas Reg. Association)

**10:15** Political framework to protect forest-grassland mosaics in Romania

Erika Stanciu, Ministry of Environment, Water and Forests, Romania

Designing a results-based agri-environment payment schemes

Laura Sutcliffe (Institute for Agro-ecology and Biodiversity)

**11:00** Coffee break

**11:30** Wood pastures to preserve biodiversity in Romania

Tibor Hartel (Satientia University Cluj Napoca, Romania)

**12:15** The threats to wood pastures in Europe

Jabier Ruiz Mirazo (EFNCP)

**13:00** Lunch break

**14:00** Hay meadow conservation in Piatra Craiului National Park

Mircea Vergheleţ & Dr. Oliviu Pop (Parcul Naţional Piatra Craiului/ King’s Rock National Park, Romania)

**14:45** How do public institutions on nature conservation and agriculture contribute to the conservation of species-rich hay meadows?

Agnes Balázs (University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Cluj-Napoca)

**15:30** Coffee break

**16:00** How do summer farms in Sweden survive?

Marie Kvarnström (University Uppsala)

**16:30** Discussion and summary of the day

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**Program**

**Tuesday, 31.05.2016**

**8:30** Marketing high quality hay for fodder.

Andreas Schäfer (Landcare Association Birkenfels, Germany)

**9:00** Local Products to preserve and develop traditional farming

Werner Thumann (Landcare Association Neumarkt i.d.OPf, Germany)

**9:30** Discussion about high value products

**9:45** Excursion 1 to visit the high biodiversity mountain hay meadows of Pogány-havas mountain and a summer farm.

**14:30** Lunch break in the field

**16:00** Arrival to Miercurea Ciuc

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**Program**

**Tuesday, 31.05.2016**

**17:00** Guided meadow walk around the guesthouse

**19:00** Dinner

**20:00** Satoyama Development Mechanism: Collective learning for promoting communities in harmony with nature

Yasuo Takahashi (Institute for Global Environmental Strategies)