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**AD HOC TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP MEETING
ON PROTECTED AREAS**
Tjärnö, Sweden, 10-14 June 2003

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

The meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Protected Areas will be held in Tjärnö, Sweden, from 10-14 June 2003.

Venue

The meeting will be held on the premises of:

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Opening and registration

The meeting will be opened at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, 10 June and will be closed at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, 14 June 2003. Registration will begin at the venue of the meeting at 9:00 a.m. on 10 June.

Working language of the workshop

The meeting will be held in English only.

Services to delegates

Access to web based E-mail and Internet services will be provided free of charge. Accommodation and meals are provided at Tjärnö Marine Biological Laboratory from the evening of 9 June to the morning of 15 June.

Access to Tjärnö

Tjärnö is situated outside the city of Strömstad, which lies along the route between Gothenburg and Oslo, Norway. Participants are requested to acknowledge their expected time of arrival in Strömstad, so that the organisers can arrange for their transportation to Tjärnö. Strömstad is serviced by Oslo/Gardermoen International airport (Norway) and by Gothenburg/Landvetter airport via e.g. Stockholm/Arlanda International airport.

If arriving through Oslo, participants may use the bus service Swebus, route number 820, from outside the Oslo Sentral station to reach Strömstad. There is an airport train connecting Oslo/Gardermoen with Oslo Sentral station. It runs with 10-20 min. intervals and the trip takes 20 min.

If arriving through Gothenburg, the same bus route may be used, but in the Oslo direction. There are also regional buses and trains that run between Gothenburg and Strömstad. Airport buses run from Gothenburg/Landvetter every 15-30 min and the trip takes 30 min.

See time-tables in Annex I.

Fares one-way (approx.)

Connections from Oslo:

Airport train Oslo: 20 EUR

Swebus Oslo-Strömstad: 16 EUR

Connections from Gothenburg:

Airport bus Gothenburg: 6.50 EUR

Swebus Gothenburg-Strömstad: 16 EUR

Regional bus/train Gothenburg-Strömstad: 22 EUR

Currency

The currency in Sweden is Swedish kronor (SEK). 1 SEK = approx. 0.11 EUR or 0.12 USD

Time Zone

Tjärnö is UTC (GMT) + 1 hour.

Climate

The temperature in June ranges between 15-25° C, and the climate can be humid. Participants are advised to bring robust shoes for walking around the area.

Voltage

220 volts, 50 Hertz.

Visas/Customs

Participants from countries listed in annex II hereto are strongly advised to approach the nearest Swedish Consulate or Diplomatic mission in order to secure an entry visa to Sweden prior to departure. Travellers destined for Sweden may pass through Norway on a Swedish visa.

Information on visa procedure including a list of relevant Swedish consulate or diplomatic missions is available on the website of the Swedish Migration Board:

<http://www.migrationsverket.se/english.html>

Language

The official language in Sweden is Swedish. However, English is widely spoken.

Credit cards

Major credit cards are accepted in most shops and restaurants in Sweden and Norway.

Further information

Other useful information on the Strömstad region can be found on:

<http://www.stromstadtourist.se/eng/index.html>

Annex I
Time-tables for transportation to Strömstad

Due to a change of time-tables on the part of the transportation companies, information on return trips later than those listed here was not available at the time of printing. However, it will be possible to depart for Oslo and Gothenburg at regular intervals during 15 June. In case no suitable bus connection to Oslo is available on 15 June, transportation will be arranged by the organisers.

	<u>9 June</u>		<u>10 June</u>		<u>14 June</u>		<u>15 June</u>	
	Oslo-Strömstad				Strömstad-Oslo			
	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.
Swebus route 820	7.15	9.25			9.25	11.30	5.50	8.00
	10.15	12.25			12.40	14.45		
	13.15	15.25			15.25	17.30		
	16.15	18.35			18.40	20.45		
	19.15	21.25			20.40	22.45		
	Gothenburg-Strömstad				Strömstad-Gothenburg			
Swebus route 820	7.15	9.25	3.55	5.50	9.25	11.30		
	10.30	12.40			12.25	14.30		
	13.15	15.25			15.25	17.30		
	16.30	18.40			18.35	20.40		
	18.30	20.40			21.25	23.30		
Regional bus	9.15	11.30 ²			8.30	10.55 ²		
	12.30	15.08 ¹			12.25	14.55 ²		
	17.50	20.00 ²			15.35	17.55 ²		
					20.30	23.20 ¹		
					23.15	2.00 ^{1,4}		
Train	10.25	13.01			6.35	9.17		
	13.15	16.00			10.52	13.32		
	14.28	17.16			14.58	17.45		
	18.49	21.37			18.05	20.39		
	20.55	23.35 ³						

¹ Bus route 870

² Bus route 871

³ Via Uddevalla; change to bus route 870 at 22.22

⁴ Via Uddevalla Kampenhof; change to route 820/840 at 0.45

Annex II
List of countries whose citizens require entry to visit Sweden

A	M
Afghanistan	Mauritius
Albania	Micronesia
Algeria	Moldova
Angola	Mongolia
Antigua and Barbuda	Morocco
Armenia	Mozambique
Azerbaijan	Myanmar (Burma)
B	N
Bahamas	Namibia
Bahrain	Nauru
Bangladesh	Nepal
Barbados	Niger
Belarus	Nigeria
Belize	Northern Mariana Islands
Benin	O
Bhutan	Oman
Bosnia and Herzegovina	P
Botswana	Pakistan
Burkina Faso	Palau
Burundi	Papua New Guinea
C	Philippines
Cambodia	Q
Cameroon	Qatar
Cape Verde	R
Central African Republic	Rwanda
Chad	Romania
China	Russia
Colombia	S
Comoros	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Congo	Saint Lucia
Congo Democratic Republic	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Côte d'Ivoire	Samoa
Cuba	Sao Tome and Principe
D	Saudi Arabia
Djibouti	Senegal
Dominica	Seychelles
Dominican Republic	Sierra Leone
E	Solomon Islands
Equatorial Guinea	Somalia
Egypt	South Africa
Eritrea	Sri Lanka
Ethiopia	Sudan
F	Suriname
Fiji	Swaziland

G	Syrian Arab Republic
Gabon	T
Gambia	Tajikistan
Georgia	Tanzania
Ghana	Thailand
Grenada	Togo
Guinea	Tonga
Guinea Bissau	Trinidad and Tobago
Guyana	Tunisia
H	Turkmenistan
Haiti	Turkey
I	Tuvalu
India	U
Indonesia	Ukraine
Iran	Uganda
Iraq	United Arab Emirates
J	Uzbekistan
Jamaica	V
Jordan	Vanuatu
K	Viet Nam
Kazakhstan	Y
Kenya	Yemen
Kiribati	Yugoslavia
Korea (Democratic People's Republic of)	Z
Kuwait	Zambia
Kyrgyzstan	Zimbabwe
L	
Laos	
Lebanon	
Lesotho	
Liberia	
Libya	
M	
Macao	
Macedonia (The Former Yugoslav Republic of)	
Madagascar	
Malawi	
Maldives	
Mali	
Marshall Islands	
Mauritania	
