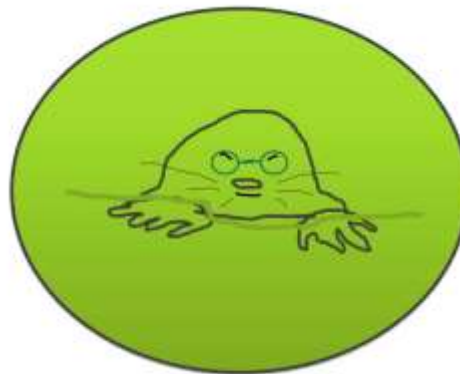


# Welcome to the Autumn excursion on September 13-14<sup>th</sup> 2019!



The Finnish Society of Soil Sciences organizes a **two-day excursion in September 2019** in Southwest Finland. On the excursion, we visit the **Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke) research station** at Jokioinen, where we'll get to know their agricultural field experiments, laboratory facilities and the newly opened Biopaja focused on the Circular Economy Research:

<https://www.luke.fi/uutiset/luken-biopaja-avattiin-yritys-ja-tutkimusyhteistyolla-kiertotalouden-arvoaineet-kayttoon/>

We also visit **an educational farm under agriculture in Loimaa**, where we are introduced with their cultivation experiments that has been running since 2016 (<http://www.loimaatila.fi/?id=CD7C80BF-179C4C879B5E-E753E6B94476>). During a coffee break, we'll have a **short lightning-talk session** with a nice relaxed atmosphere! Visitors may choose to present their research or other soil themes for about 2 minutes. Presentations are traditional talks, as we may not be able to arrange electronic presentations.

In addition, we will relax in the beautiful wetland scenery of **Torransuo National Park** (<https://www.luontoon.fi/torransuo>), and at the end of the day we'll have nice **dining together** in a restaurant at Forssa.

**The price is € 110 for a normal member and € 75 for an undergraduate student.** The tour starts from Helsinki on Friday morning and is back to Helsinki on Saturday afternoon. During the trip, we will stay in 1-3 person rooms in Forssa at Hotel Maakunta. The price includes the bus service provided by the Soil Science Society, as well as overnight stays and breakfast at Hotel Maakunta, a common lunch and restaurant dinner on Friday, and coffee+snack on Saturday.

## **REGISTRATION**

**Register before July 15<sup>th</sup> by email to Noora** ([noora.manninen@helsinki.fi](mailto:noora.manninen@helsinki.fi)) to receive a confirmed hotel reservation.

### **Please tell us when signing up**

- Do you have food restrictions, what?
- Do you stay in the Hotel Maakunta?
- Do you take the bus from Helsinki provided by the organizers?

## **PRELIMINARY PROGRAM**

Friday September 13<sup>th</sup> 2019

8:00 Departure from Helsinki  
10:00 **Luke Jokioinen: Introduction to the Field experiments**  
11:30 Lunch  
12:30 **Visiting Luke's Laboratory**  
14:00 Departure to Forssa and login to Hotel Maakunta  
15:00 **Outdooring in Torrnsuo National Park**  
19:00 **Restaurant dinner in Forssa**

Saturday September 14<sup>th</sup> 2019

8:00 Breakfast at the hotel  
9:30 Departure to Loimaa  
10:30 **Introduction of the educational farm and field experiments in Loimaa**  
12:00 **Lightning-talks**, coffee and snack  
13:00 Departure to Helsinki  
14:00 Lunch on the way (self-paid)  
16:00 Back to Helsinki

You can also take part in the excursion for one day and with your own transportation, in that case, please let us know in your registration, so that we can prepare for the other arrangements.

With kind regards,

Noora Manninen  
secretary

[noora.manninen@helsinki.fi](mailto:noora.manninen@helsinki.fi)  
tel. 0407062120