

EOE 2013 - Seminar Announcement and Call for Papers

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European Institute for Outdoor Adventure Education and Experiential Learning (EOE) (<http://www.eoe-network.eu/home/>)

welcomes contributions to the 13th EOE Seminar

“Urban nature: inclusive learning through youth work and school work”

5th – 9th June 2013

The Swedish School of Sport and Health Sciences (GIH), Stockholm, Sweden

This seminar will bring together practitioners and academics from around Europe who are interested in outdoor and experiential education linked to formal education and non-formal youth work. It is aimed at schoolteachers, university staff and youth workers from various fields of practice. The seminar will examine the different ways and purposes of approaching and using nature in outdoor education. Networks for practical cooperation and knowledge transfer will also be created.

Besides the generally accepted educational philosophy of outdoor education that being in natural landscapes and confronting and exploring natural phenomena can stimulate the educational processes of individuals, this seminar has a particular focus on urban nature. An increased globalisation and the growth of cities have made it even more important to highlight the boundaries between nature and civilisation from educational and experiential perspectives. The possibilities and limitations of urban nature are also linked to issues of democracy and inclusion due to the displayed social and cultural patterns of various outdoor practices.

We are currently inviting contributions for lectures, posters and practical workshop presentations. If you would like to make a contribution, please submit an abstract before **January 18, 2013**. For more information about registration, the submission of abstracts and the conference itself, see the seminar website at <http://www.gih.se/EOE2013>.

The seminar fee for all delegates will be **€195.00**. The seminar fee will cover programme costs and all meals except breakfast for 4 days. The accommodation fee for all delegates will be **€220.00**. Accommodation will be at the STF Hostel af Chapman & Skeppsholmen, beautifully located in central Stockholm (<http://www.svenskaturistforeningen.se/en/Discover-Sweden/Facilities-and-activities/Stockholm/Vandrarhem/STF-Hostel-af-Chapman--Skeppsholmen/>).

Keynote speakers:

- Professor Klas Sandell, Karlstad University: "Where and what is nature – today and tomorrow?"
- Associate Professor Peter Schantz, The Swedish School of Sport and Health Sciences: "Outdoor life landscapes as arenas for learning and perception - theories, thoughts and examples in urban nature."

This seminar is arranged in cooperation with:

- The Swedish Tourist Organisation (STF), <http://www.svenskaturistforeningen.se/en/>
- The Swedish Outdoor Promoters (FF), <http://www.friluftsframjandet.se/guest/hem>
- The Guides and Scouts of Sweden (SSF), http://scout.se/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=171:scouts-in-sweden&catid=62:scouts-in-sweden&Itemid=710
- The National Centre for Outdoor Education (NCU), <http://www.liu.se/ikk/ncu?l=sy>

For more information please see the seminar website <http://www.gih.se/EOE2013> or contact erik.backman@gih.se.

