

# Invitation to INTERREG Bee research conference May 31—June 2, 2022, Nordens Ark, Sweden

To summarize three years of research on comparing honey bee subspecies, including the Nordic bee, you are invited to attend this conference hosted by Nordens Ark, Sweden and facilitated by the INTERREG Bee Research Project Supporting Nordic Brown Bees.



Please confirm your attendance by 10/05/2022 by filling in and submitting the registration form at: <u>https://forms.gle/vhxPSXG2NpE2yy2G8</u> You can take part at place or online (online registration is possible until the 25th of May).







Föreningen Nordbi

## Program

May 31, Tuesday				
08.00-10.00	Registration, morning coffee with sandwich (hotel for	ver)		
10.15-10.30	Welcome (Tigerhouse)			
	Nordens Ark	Mats Höggren, NA		
10.30-11.00	Intro to the project BIstånd and INTERREG	Mats Niklasson, NA and Luis Cadahía-Lorenzo, Birökterlag		
10.30-11.00	3 years INTERREG project – a summary	Sonja Leidenberger, HIS		
11.00-11.30	Rescuing the last Nordic bee in Sweden	Ingvar Arvidsson, Nordbi		
11.30-12.00	Dynamics of honey bee subspecies historically	Mats Niklasson, NA		
12.00-13.15	Lunch in the restaurant			
13.15-14.00	Guided tour Experimental apiary (2 groups)	Sonja Leidenberger, HIS and Ann-Charlotte Berntsson, NA		
14.00	Session 1 Ecology and Behavior			
14.00-14.20	Winter survival and weight losses	Niclas Norrström, HIS		
14.20-14.35	Thermography analysis during winter	Finja Schaumann, HIS and Sonja Leidenberger, HIS		
14.35-15.00	Fly activities and other ecological observations	Sonja Leidenberger, HIS and Niclas Norrström, HIS		
15.00-15.15	Coffee			
15.15-15.45	Investigating adaptation and diversity of wild			
	Irish honeybees.	Grace McCormack, NUI		
15.45-16.05	Comparison of simultaneous behaviour between four <i>Apis mellifera subspecies</i> : summer 2021.	Elizabeth Crawford, QUB		
16.05-16.15	Comparison of simultaneous behavior between			
	four <i>Apis mellifera subspecies</i> : spring 2022	Toni Högberg, HIS		
16.15-16.45	Norwegian results of the INTERREG project	Luis Cadahía-Lorenzo, Birökterlag		
16.45-17.15	Introgression and the genetic basis of colony level			
	traits in <i>Apis mellifera mellifera</i> .	Victoria Buswell, UOP		
19.00	Dinner in the restaurant			

June 1, Wednesday 07.30-08.30 Breakfast

8.30	Session 2 Bee health and honey production	
09.00-09:30	Bee health and bee diseases - an overview	Eva Forsgren, SLU
09.30-09:40	Questions	
09.40-10.15	Varroa resistance	Eva Forsgren, SLU

10.15-10.30 Coffee

10.30-10.45 10.45-11.20 11.20-11.40 11.40-12.00 12.15-13.00	<i>Varroa</i> in the INTERREG project Nosema in the INTERREG project Honey production and quality Honey analysis for pollen Lunch in the restaurant	Sonja Leidenberger, HIS Natuschka Lee, UU Sonja Leidenberger, HIS Åslög Dahl, GU	
13.00-13.55	Guided tour to the Observation hive and pollination loop (2 groups)	Ann-Charlotte Berntsson, NA and	
14.00	Session 3 Pollination	Mats Niklasson, NA	
14.00-14.45 15.00-15.15	Pollen selection in the INTERREG project Coffee	Åslög Dahl, GU	
15.15-16.00	The potential of spatial prediction models for informing pollinator and pollination conservation plans	Markus Sydenham, NINA	
16.00-16.45	Pollen microscopy laboratory	Åslög Dahl, GU	
16.45-17.10	Breeding the Nordic bee ( <i>M.mellifera</i> ) in Norway	Camilla Sundby, Birökterlag	
17.10-17.30	Information about breeding station and work at NA	Ann-Charlotte Berntsson, NA and Mats Niklasson, NA	

19.00 Barbeque dinner in Varghuset, including guided tour in the zoo

#### June 2nd Thursday

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07.30-08.15	Breakfast	
08.15	Summary of the project and future perspective	
08.45	Transportation to Hamburgsund harbour	
10.00	Boat to Väderöarna	
10.45	Arrival and coffee,	
11-12.30	Guided tour of the breeding station	Ann-Charlotte Berntsson, NA and others
12.30	Lunch at Väderöarna	
	Official ending of project and conference	
	Boat back	
14.30	Workshops at Nordens Ark: referensgrupp/board	
16.30	End	

## Speakers

Mats Höggren, CEO Nordens Ark (NA), Sweden Mats Niklasson, Nordens Ark (NA), Sweden Luis Cadahía-Lorenzo, Birökterlag, Norway Sonja Leidenberger, University of Skövde (HIS), Sweden Ingvar Arvidsson, Föreningen Nordbi, Sweden Ann-Charlotte Berntsson, Nordens Ark (NA), Sweden Niclas Norrström, University of Skövde (HIS), Sweden Finja Schaumann, University of Skövde (HIS), Sweden and University Jena, Germany Grace McCormack, National University of Ireland Galway (NUI), Ireland Elizabeth Crawford, Queen 's University Belfast (QUB), Ireland Toni Högberg, University of Skövde (HIS), Sweden Victoria Buswell, University of Plymouth (UOP), United Kingdom Eva Forsgren, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Sweden Natuschka Lee, Umeå University (UU), Sweden Åslög Dahl, University of Gothenburg (GU), Sweden Markus Sydenham, Norwegian Institute for Nature Research (NINA), Norway Camilla Sundby, Birökterlag, Norway

### Accommodation

The on-site Nordens Ark Hotel is available for accommodations. The hotel has 29 rooms. Single room 1149 sek, double 1599 sek, room with three beds 2399 sek, room with four beds 3399 sek per night. If you have any questions concerning registration or accommodation please feel free to contact: <u>ulrica.ahlrot@nordensark.se</u>