



Bioenergy from forests Rural Development Programmes and forest-based bioenergy

October 25-27, Punkaharju, Finland

Lusto, Finnish Forest Museum and Information Centre

address: Lustontie 1, Punkaharju, <http://www.lusto.fi/>

The Finnish National Rural Network, in collaboration with the European Network for Rural Development (ENRD), three Leader Action Groups and Finnish forest expert organizations is organising a three day event to describe, analyze, discuss and get acquainted with forest-based bioenergy issues. What kind of forest-based bioenergy development is taking place in different Rural Development Programmes? What will be the future of forest-based bioenergy in EU?

The target group of the seminar are:

- LAGs and NRNs
- Governmental institutions
- Forest-based bioenergy experts and developers
- Entrepreneurs and firms from the forest sector
- Associations and NGOs
- Researchers and academics

PROGRAMME

Day 1 - Tuesday October 25

9.00 Opening of the seminar in Lusto
Director Päivi Kujala, NRN Finland

Welcome to South Savo!
Matti Falck, LAGs Rajupusu, Piällysmies and Veej'jakaja

9.15 European renewable energy policy
Head of the Unit, Timo Määttä, Motiva Ltd.

9.45 ENRD forestry initiative: Rural Development Programmes and forest-based bioenergy
Fabio Cossu, ENRD Contact Point

10.10 Outcomes of the RomaForest2011 seminar
Danilo Marandola, Italian National Rural Network

10.30 Break

11.00 Forest-Based Bioenergy in Finland
Professor Antti Asikainen, Finnish Forest Research Institute



11.30 Best practices: forest-based bioenergy and rural development

Finnish Bioenergy Coordination Project
Arto Koistinen, Forestry Development Centre, Tapio

12.00 Lunch (*at participant's expense*)

13.30 Best practices: forest-based bioenergy and rural development

Developing forest-based bioenergy entrepreneurship in Eastern Finland,
Asko Puhakka, North Karelia University of Applied Sciences

Forest Based Bioenergy Development in Latvia,
Department Director Raimonds Bermanis, Latvian Rural Advisory and Training centre

Italian Examples of Forest-based Energy Development.
Danilo Marandola, Italian National Rural Network

Forest-based bioenergy in Macedonia (FYROM)
Gabriela Micevska, Project Manager of the AgroEnergy project

Examples and comments from other countries

17.00 Tour of Lusto

Cocktails and evening program at Lusto
Hosted by Executive Director Matti Viialainen, the Regional Council of Etelä-Savo

21.00 End of the day 1

Day 2 - Wednesday, October 26

9.00 - 20.00 Study trip: Heat from forests

During the trip the whole production chain of forest-based bioenergy will be introduced:

- From forest to heat business models (experience from Savonlinna region)
- Farm visit (large scale production of high quality fuel wood for the markets)
- Visit to the bio-power CHP Plant in Savonlinna

(Lunch during the study trip will be at participant's expense)

Traditional sauna-evening with dinner



Day 3 - Thursday, October, 27

8.30 Workshops: The role of bioenergy in rural development

- Innovations
introduction by Mika Muinonen, Miktech
- Entrepreneurship
- Operation models and profitability
- Building know-how

Sonia Marongiu, Italian NRN: Italian Project on the FADN (Exchange of experience and knowledge on an accountancy data system for forestry sector and RD measures)

11.30 Wood energy in rural development: current situation and post 2013 period
Tamas Szedlak, European Commission, DG Agri

12.15 Closing of the seminar

12.30 Lunch (*at participant's expense*)

Language:

The seminar language is English. Translation will not be provided.

The seminar will take place in Lusto <http://www.lusto.fi/>, the Finnish Forest Museum and Information Centre, which is located in Punkaharju <http://www.punkaharju.fi> in south-eastern Finland at the heart of the Saimaa district.

The seminar and the study trip are free of charge. However accommodation, travel costs or meals are not included and will be at participants' expense.

Registration:

Please, register on our website **before 18th of October:**

[link to registration form](#)

(<http://www.webpolsurveys.com//S/A17707454A42E71E.par>)

For further information:

Please contact

Juha-Matti Markkola

Network Coordinator, Rural Network Unit of Finland

juha-matti.markkola@maaseutu.fi, +358 40 5599 412



Transportation:

Railway:

There is train connection from Helsinki to Punkaharju,
please visit: www.vr.fi for further information

Flights:

The nearest airport is in Savonlinna (30 km from Punkaharju).

There will transportation organized:

Monday:

Flights: from Savonlinna airport to Punkaharju, flight arriving at 19:10 from Helsinki

Trains: Lusto station from the trains arriving at 20:05 and 22:05

Tuesday:

Flights: from Savonlinna airport to Punkaharju, flight arriving at 7:35 from Helsinki

Thursday:

Flights: from Punkaharju to Savonlinna airport, flight leaving at 19:25 to Helsinki

Trains: Lusto is situated near Lusto railway station, no transportation needed.

Friday:

Flights: from Punkaharju to Savonlinna airport, flight leaving at 7:55 to Helsinki

Accommodation:

The organizers have ensured a reservation quota in the following hotels:

Hotel Kruunupuisto, Villa Urhola, www.kruunupuisto.fi

- double 61 €/person/night
- single 96 €/night

Reservations: myyntipalvelu@kruunupuisto.fi or
+358 15 775 091

Punkaharjun Valtionhotelli, www.punkaharjunvaltionihotelli.fi

- double Superior 70 €/person/night
- single Superior 140 €/night
- double Standard-huoneessa 55 €/person/night
- single Standard 110 €/night
- double (toilet and shower in the corridor) 40 €/person/night
- single (toilet and shower in the corridor) 80 €/night

Breakfast is not included in these prices. Breakfast costs 10 €/person.

Reservations: info@punkaharju.fi or +358 20 752 9100



European Agricultural Fund for Rural
Development:
Europe investing in rural areas

Hotel Rantakatti, www.maatilamatkailumannila.com

- rooms 80 €/night

Reservations:

maatilamatkailu.mannila@co.inet.fi or +358 15 644 265

If you have any questions or troubles in finding accommodation, please contact

LAG RaJuPuSu, Ilpo Lehtinen

ilpo.lehtinen@rajupusuleader.fi or +358 40 715 7189

The Seminar is organized by:

Finnish Rural Network Unit

in collaboration with:

European Network for Rural Development (ENRD)

LAG RaJuPusu, LAG Veej'jakaja, LAG Piällysmies

Forest Centre Northern Savo

Regional Council of Etelä-Savo

Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment of South Savo



South Savo
**SAIMAA
REGION**



Centre for Economic Development,
Transport and the Environment



European Network for
Rural Development