NET5 2020: MANAGING OUR NATURAL & CULTURAL HERITAGE ASSETS

The NET 5 Programme is a KA1 Adult Education for Staff Project funded by Erasmus+ and coordinated by the Firm of ARCH through the NET Consortium of 20 Scottish nature conservation and cultural heritage organisations. All courses last for one week and have 6 to 8 participants. They are designed to train, inspire and connect Scottish professionals with best practice in Europe in order to improve practice and to tackle complex cultural and environmental issues with new confidence.

How to apply: Visit the Archnetwork website for more details on the courses, the application procedure and the reports from previous courses. For more information contact Libby Urquhart (libby@archnetwork.org), Seona Anderson seona@archnetwork.org) or the NET Consortium contact point of your organisation.

NET Consortium Organisations

Please note that the dates of the courses can change by one or two days in either direction due to flight availability. The itineraries are provisional and are finalised in consultation with participants. NET courses are not always accompanied by ARCH staff. Please apply as soon as possible to ensure that the booking and preparation arrangements can be completed in good time before the courses.

Summary of NET5 2020 courses

CYPRUS: 2-9 March
Village Voices: Sustainability & Identity in Rural Cyprus

NORWAY (NINA): April
Sheep Farming, Golden Eagle & White Tailed Eagle Populations

SPAIN: 20-27 April
Sustainable Farming & Agroforestry in the Dehesas of Andalucia

BULGARIA: 17 - 24 May
Community Engagement & Rural Development in the Devetaki Plateau

SLOVAKIA (Lišov): 30 Apr - 7 May
Exploring Community Heritage in Southern Slovakia

NORWAY (Evenstad): May/June
Sustainable Hunting, Predator Management & Cross Border Conservation

ICELAND: 31 May to 7 June
Cultural Context & Practical Skills in Turf Building

POLAND: 31 May to 7 June
Coastal Zone Management in Poland: from pure nature to pure engineering

SLOVENIA: 2-9 July
Sustainable Farming & Food Inside Biodiversity & Protected Areas with Different Educational Approaches

ESTONIA: 12 - 20 July
Cultural & Natural Heritage of Coastal Estonians

ROMANIA: 24 - 31 August
Small Scale Sustainable Farming in Transylvania

FINLAND: 30 Aug to 6 Sep
Forestry in Finland: Education & Practice

LATVIA: 6 - 13 September
Forests, Wetlands, Green Infrastructure & Digital Technology
**CYPRUS - 2 - 9 MARCH 2020**

*Village Voices: Sustainability & Identity in Rural Cyprus*

**Deadline for Apps** 31st Jan 2020  
**Preparation Meeting** 14th Feb 2020  
**Aims & Themes** Sustainable development through cultural heritage & rural community activities  
**Fields of Interest** Cultural heritage & museums, Rural Development, Community Heritage & Engagement, Craft Practitioners  
**Draft Itinerary** Arrive Paphos or Larnaca; travel to Lefkara; four pillars of sustainability, ancient olive groves; Kato Drys Museums, Heritage, Enterprise & mosaic making; Lefkara Silver Smiths & the Orthodox Church Community; Culture & Community on both sides of the Green Line in Nicosia; Troodos Mountains local products & fashion shoot in shepherds village; Botanical Garden; Lefkara Community Art & Murals; Orchids of Kato Lefkara  
**Host** Kato Drys Community Council (Martin Clark & Panayiota Demetriou)  
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**NORWAY (NINA) - APRIL 2020**

*Sheep Farming, Golden Eagle & White-Tailed Eagle Populations*

**Deadline for Apps** This course is being organised with the Sea Eagle Working Group & will include participants from the NET consortium, It is not open for applications this year.  
**Preparation Meeting** tbc  
**Aims & Themes** Research & practical issues on the management of eagle populations alongside sheep farming. Comparisons & skill sharing between Norway & Scotland  
**Fields of Interest** Eagle Population Management; Farming & Predator Conflicts; Forestry & Land Management for Eagles  
**Draft Itinerary** NINA Institute in Trondheim; Golden Eagle Research Project; Alv Ottar; Trondheim; Alesund  
**Host Information** NINA (Norwegian Institute for Nature Research) Duncan Halley: NINA Website  
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**SPAIN: 20-27 APRIL 2020**

**Sustainable Farming & Agroforestry in the Dehesas of Andalucia**

**Deadline for Apps** 7th Feb 2020

**Preparation Meeting** 26th Mar 2020

**Aims & Themes** Demonstrating organic agriculture & agroforestry in action; cooperatives & rural economic diversity; conservation of habitats, species & soils

**Fields of Interest** Sustainable Farming, Forestry & Agro-forestry; Rural Enterprise; Biodiversity & Climate Change

**Draft Itinerary** Arrival Seville; Dehesa San Francisco; Iberico Ham Production Unit; Aracena Nature Park Museum & Head of Nature Park Sierra de Aracena y Picos de Aroche; Ecological Village with Sociocratic Governance; Villanueva de la Serena Lamb & Wool Cooperative; Wildlife Project with Bird Hospital in Villafranca de los Barros; Visit to Cork Institute & Cork Processing Plants; Roman excavation & Organic Olive Farm in Écija; Horticultural & Social Project in deprived area of Seville; Sevilla University & Plant/Weed Ecologist; Dehesa Activities; Dep from Sevilla

**Host** Fundación Monte Mediterráneo/Dehesa San Francisco - Ernestine Lüdeke: Website

**NET Reports** NET Report 2019

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**SLOVAKIA (LIŠOV): 30 APRIL TO 7 MAY**

**Exploring Community Heritage in Southern Slovakia**

**Deadline for Apps** 2 March 2020

**Preparation Meeting** 1 April 2020

**Aims & Themes** Exploring the potential for rural museums to increase community engagement in heritage and diversify incomes; understanding Lisov cultural heritage as part of wider Slovak & European heritage

**Fields of Interest** Culture Heritage & Archaeology; Community Heritage; Rural Development; Craft/Traditional Skills

**Draft Itinerary** Arrival Budapest & travel to Lišov; discovering the 3 elements of Lišov museum – the traditional house, the Mask Museum & the reconstructed Round House; the cave houses of Lišov & Brhlovce Regeneration Project; Local heritage of honey; wine making &; UNESCO WHS of Banska Stiavnica & Svaty Anton Village; Engagement activities at Lišov Museum

**Host Information** Lišov Museum - Adriana Patkova & Jakub Dvorsky: Website

**NET Reports** NET Report 2019 NET Reports 2018
BULGARIA: 17 - 24 MAY 2020
Community Engagement & Rural Development in the Devetaki Plateau

Deadline for Apps: 2nd March 2020
Preparation Meeting: 24th April 2020

Aims & Themes: Exploring community engagement & rural development in an area rich in natural & cultural heritage but experiencing rural depopulation. Developing local community heritage action plans.

Fields of Interest: Community Heritage & Engagement, Rural Development, Cultural Landscapes

Draft Itinerary: Arrival Sofia & travel to the Devetaki Plateau. Visits to community organisations, heritage sites & rural development projects. 23-24th May is a national 2 day orienteering event in the Devetaki Plateau with 150 participants, May 24th is the Day of the Bulgarian Alphabet.

Host: Devetaki Plateau Association (Velis Chilingirova & Iva Taralezhkova: Website)

NET Reports: NET Report 2019, NET Reports Bulgaria

NORWAY (EVENSTAD): MAY/JUNE 2020
Hunting, Predator Conflicts & Cross Border Conservation

Deadline for Apps: tbc
Preparation Meeting: tbc

Aims & Themes: Hunting, Land Rights & Conservation, Predator Management & Conflicts, Cross border management & monitoring

Fields of Interest: Biodiversity Conservation & Monitoring; Hunting Rights & Deer Management; Predator Management

Draft Itinerary: Arrival Oslo & travel to Evenstad Campus. The course content is under discussion and will be published on the Archnetwork website shortly. The course will include Evenstad’s expertise on adaptive ecology (forestry, sustainably hunting and fishing, game management & monitoring, predator management conflicts & cross-border working). Participants also present to students.

Host Information: Inland University of Norway, Evenstad: Website

NET Reports: NET Report 2019, NET Reports 2018
ICELAND: 31 MAY - 7 JUNE 2020

**Turf Building: Cultural Context & Practical Skills**

**Deadline for Apps** 31st March 2020

**Preparation Meeting** 15th May 2020

**Aims & Themes** Cultural & Archaeological Context & Interpretation of Turf Buildings; 3 days practical building skills in turf.

**Fields of Interest** Cultural Heritage & Archaeology; Traditional Building & Restoration Skills

**Draft Itinerary**
- Arrival Reykjavik; Settlement Exhibition & travel to Skagafjörður; lectures on culture heritage management & turf buildings & visit to Skagafjörður Heritage Museum, Glaumbær Turf Buildings; 3 days practical turf building (this is hard work & messy); Skagafjörður Historical Buildings tour; 7 Drive to Reykjavik via Pingvellir National Park; Depart Reykjavik

**Host** Byggdasafn Skagfirdinga (Byrndis Zoega & Helgi Sigurðsson): Website

**NET Reports** NET Report 2019 NET Reports Iceland

Poland: 31 May - 7 June 2022

Coastal Zone Management: from pure nature to pure engineering

**Deadline for Apps** 31st March 2020

**Preparation Meeting** 14th May 2020

**Aims & Themes** Coastal Zone Management including planning, erosion & accumulation; Managing Coastal Protected Areas & Natura 2000 sites; Tourism versus Nature on the coast

**Fields of Interest** Estuary & Coastal Management; Biodiversity & Conservation Management; Protected Areas; Outreach & Tourism


**Host Information** Society for the Coast EUCC (Kasimierz Rabski): Website

**NET Reports** NET Report 2019 NET Reports 2018
**SLOVENIA: 2 - 9 JULY 2002**

*Sustainable Farming & Food in Biodiversity & Protected Areas through Different Educational Approaches*

**Deadline for Apps**
20 April 2020

**Preparation Meeting**
19th June 2002

**Aims & Themes**
Learn about good practice in sustainable farming & food, biodiversity management & circular economic, adaptation to climate change, food security & sustainable communities

**Fields of Interest**
Biodiversity & conservation; sustainable farming & food; landscape management; sustainable development; protected areas

**Draft Itinerary**
Arrival Trieste; Postojna; Notranjska Regional Park & Cerknica Lake; Kocevje Virgin Forest & Loska Valley; Bloke Plateau; Karst Region; Primorska Region, Adriatic Sea & Sečovlje Salt Pans Nature Park; Soča Valley & Alps; Gorenjska Region; Ljubljana; Skocjan Caves UNESCO WHS

**Host**
VITRA (Bojan Žnidaršič): Website

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**ESTONIA: 12 - 20 JULY 2020**

*Cultural & Natural Heritage of Coastal Estonians*

**Deadline for Apps**
20 April 2020

**Preparation Meeting**
22 June 2020

**Aims & Themes**
Exploring cultural heritage interpretation in a range of contexts; community heritage as part of community cohesion & rural development; heritage tourism

**Fields of Interest**
Cultural & Community Heritage & Interpretation; Community Engagement; Rural Development; Heritage Tourism

**Draft Itinerary**
Arrival Tallinn; Guided Tour of UNESCO Old City of Tallinn; Military & Soviet History (Paldiski town, Haapsalu Town & Castle; Saaremaa Island wooden boat building school, Muhu Island, Kuressaaare town, medical spa, Varava Farm; Craft Centre of Estonian Maritime Academy; Lighthouse Museum & Runic Singing; Country Schools as carriers of cultural heritage; Sauna; Tallinn Vabamu Museum of Occupations; Kalamaga Suburb (industrial & factory area)

**Host Information**
Viitong/Heritage Tours (Maarika Nagel): Website

**NET Reports**
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**ROMANIA: 24 - 31 AUGUST 2020**

*Small Scale Sustainable Farming in Transylvania*

**Deadline for Apps** 18 May 2020  
**Preparation Meeting** 14 August 2020  
**Aims & Themes** Exploring small scale sustainable farming, hay making, orchards within a cultural landscape; challenges of sustainable rural development; community engagement & heritage  
**Fields of Interest** Sustainable Farming, Cultural Landscapes & Cultural Heritage; Community Engagement & Rural Development  
**Draft Itinerary** Arrival Cluj Napoca; Aiud Town; Girbovita Village; Rimet Village; Rimeta (Hungarian Village); Alba Iulia; Sibui; Saxon Church at Vurpar; Homorod Wood Pastures; Departure Cluj Napoca  
**Host** **Associatia Satul Verde (Monica Oprean & Martin Clark)**: Website  
**NET Reports** NET Report 2019 NET Reports 2018

**FINLAND: 30 AUG TO 6 SEP 2020**

*Forestry in Finland: Education & Practice*

**Deadline for Apps** 18 May 2020  
**Preparation Meeting** 13 August 2020  
**Aims & Themes** Exploring conservation, urban and commercial forestry in Finland; forestry education; hunting; Ecology of mires & peatlands; skill sharing with Finnish forestry students  
**Fields of Interest** Forestry Practice & Education; Conservation & Biodiversity; Hunting Attitudes & Practices; Land Ownership  
**Draft Itinerary** Arrival Tampere; the course will be centred around Tampere University & will include a presentation from Scottish participants to Finnish students; there will be visits to conservation, commercial and urban forest & a national park, Seitseminen or Helventinarvi National Park  
**Host Information** **TAMK, Tampere University of Applied Sciences (Eveliina Enval & Pirjo Puustjärvi)**: Website  
**NET Reports** NET Report 2019 NET Reports 2018
LATVIA: 6 - 13 SEP 2020  
*Forests, Wetlands, Green Infrastructure & Digital Technology*

**Deadline for Apps**  
18 May 2020

**Preparation Meeting**  
12 August 2020

**Aims & Themes**  
Forestry, Wetland and Conservation Policy & Practice in Latvia; Hunting, Attitudes & Practices; Digital Tools for Conservation; Cultural Heritage & Landscapes of Latvia

**Fields of Interest**  
Forestry, Peatland & Wetland, Biodiversity, Digital Technologies for Conservation; Hunting & Deer Management; Cultural Landscapes & Green Infrastructure

**Draft Itinerary**  
Riga (State Forest Service & associated organisations), Kemer National Park, Lake Kaneiris & Dunduri Meadows; State Forest Research Institute; Cesis, Institute of Environmental Solutions; Traditional Barrel Makers; Viesturs Lārmanis Culture Heritage as Green Infrastructure in rural north Latvia.

**Host**  
State Forest Service of Latvia (Andis Purs):
Website

**NET Reports**  
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NET Reports 2018

**REPORTING & DISSEMINATION**

One of the main aims of the NET Programme is to share examples of best practice and to inspire improvements to the practice and policy of heritage management in Scotland. We encourage participants to be collaborative and innovative in their reporting. All reports are shared via the Archnetwork website and there are a range of potential formats for new participants to view.

**Films**  
**GIS Story Maps**  
**Blogs**

**Online Data**  
**Outreach Activities**  
**Presentations**