



The ALTER-Net Summer School

ALTER-Net hosts an annual interdisciplinary Summer School on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, open to young graduate and postgraduate scientists. The Summer School has been held each year since 2006 in Peyresq, France. It is a unique environment for thinking and resolving the sustainability challenges that society is currently facing.

As well as teaching state-of-the-art research in biodiversity and ecosystem services, the Summer School is an opportunity to make life-long friends and professional collaborations, and to explore career options. What's more, the tutors encourage critical thinking and deconstruction of new concepts, along with lively debates on current issues in biodiversity and ecosystems research.

Topics covered by ALTER-Net Summer Schools

- Threats and pressures to biodiversity as well as responses to these
- The relationship between biodiversity and ecosystem services
- The resilience of ecological and social systems
- The interaction between science and policy
- Valuation of biodiversity and ecosystem services
- REDD+ (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation)
- Participatory methods and other tools in conservation politics
- Conflict resolution.

"A modern-day School of Aristotle, where lecturers learn as much as students - if not more"

- Martin Sharman



"The Summer School provided me a great opportunity for generating and exchanging ideas"

- Monika Suškevičs



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