

## How to apply?

The course is aimed at site managers, ecologists, students and policy makers

Apply as soon as possible as the number of participants will be limited around 20

Send the application form and a motivation letter to the contact address before  
31 May 2018

Registration must be confirmed before payment

The conference fee is only 300 Euro for SER members and 320 Euro for non-members with accommodation and food

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## Field trips



### **Hortobágy National Park**

- Alkaline steppe & loess steppe restoration
- Conservation & Restoration of Kurgans



### **Fülöpháza Sand Dunes**

- Sand steppes
- Climate experiment
- Invasion
- Spontaneous succession & Restoration



### **Zámolyi Basin Natura 2000 site**

- Natura 2000 conservation & management
- Traditional farming



## Best practice in management and restoration of European dry grasslands

SER Europe Summer School on Ecological Restoration

August 20-24, 2018

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## General information

SER Europe summer school 2018 is an intensive 5-day program focusing on the state, threats, management and restoration of dry grassland habitats in Europe, many of which are under Natura2000 protection.

The summer school will be held by the MTA Centre for Ecological Research under the auspices of SER Europe and EUROSITE

The program includes both theoretical aspects and practical issues related to the state, threats, management and restoration of dry grasslands with a special focus on Natura2000 areas

The course will provide participants with state-of-the-art information during lectures and field visits

You can also bring an own showcase to discuss it with participants

## Venue

MTA Centre for Ecological Restoration National Botanical Garden, Vácrátót

27 hectare romantic landscape- garden national monument and nature conservation area with the richest scientific plant collection in Hungary

## Lecturers

**Janišová, Monika** - Institute of Botany, Slovak Academy of Sciences, SK

**Bartha, Sándor** - Institute of Ecology and Botany, MTA Centre for Ecology, H

**Kollmann, Johannes** - Department of Ecology and und Ecosystemmanagement, Technische Universität München, D

**Jongepierová, Ivana** - ČSOP Bílé Karpaty, PLA Bílé Karpaty, CZ

**Varga, Anna** - Institute of Ecology and Botany, MTA Centre for Ecology, H

**Török, Péter** - MTA-DE Lendület Functional and Restoration Ecology Research Group, H

**Lampej-Bucharova, Anna** - Institute of Evolution & Ecology, University of Tübingen, D

**Deák, Balázs** – Department of Ecology, University of Debrecen, H

## Topics

- Restoration and SER Europe
- Grasslands, their threats and management in Europe
- Grassland sensitivity and resilience in the face of climate change
- Restoration of invaded grasslands in a changing world
- Restoring at large scale
- The choice of seed materials for restoring plant communities
- Grassland restoration in the White Carpathian Mts.
- Spontaneous succession – is it a viable alternative to restoration?
- Useful techniques in restoration (seeding, mowing, nutrient reduction)
- Conserving natural and historical values together
- Integration of traditional ecological knowledge into nature conservation

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