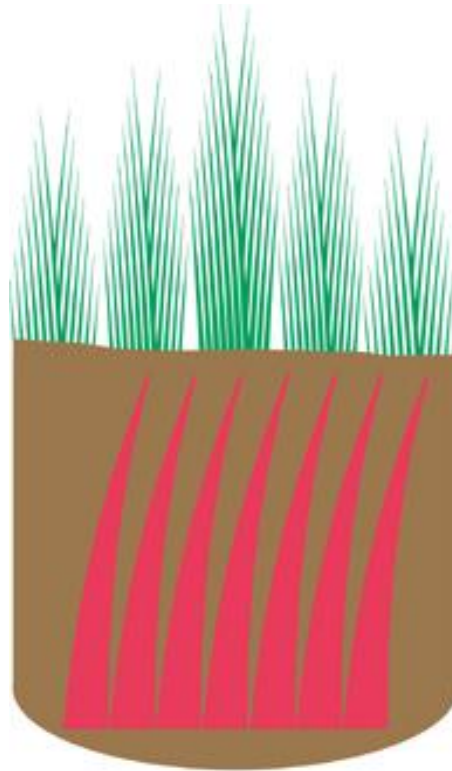


14th International Peat Congress

Stockholm, June 3 – 8, 2012



Organizing bodies of the 14th International Peat Congress



**SWEDISH
PEAT**
NATURAL RAW MATERIAL

TorvForsk
Swedish Peat Research Foundation



Swedish University of
Agricultural Sciences

**We have also contracted the
global event management company**

- **financial administration**
- **abstract management**
- **registration and**
- **hotel reservation**
services



Marie Kofod-Hansen
Congress General

Why Stockholm?



- **Stockholm is classified as one of the Top Ten congress-cities in the world**
- **Stockholm is safe and secure**
- **Stockholm can offer a wide range of hotels at different price levels**
- **Stockholm is beautiful! Stockholm is built on 14 islands, surrounded by a fantastic archipelago of 24,000 islands, forests and fields, and with easy access to the wilderness in the north**

Arlanda airport –Stockolm City: 20 minutes



The venue:

City Conference Centre Stockholm

Registration, June 3







Tentative programme outline 3 to 8 June, 2012

Sunday June 3	Monday June 4	Tuesday June 5	Wednesday June 6	Thursday June 7	Friday June 8	
Posters and Commercial Exhibition Set-up 8.00-12.00	Registration 8.00-19.00	Keynote and Scientific Sessions 8.00-17.00	Excursions 8.00 -	Keynote and Scientific Sessions 8.00-17.00	IPS Annual Assembly General Assemrby	
	Exhibition Opens 9.00-9.30					Coffee 09.30-10.00
	Opening Ceremony					
Registration 12.00-20.00	Lunch 12.00-13.00	Lunch 12.00-13.00			Lunch 12.00-13.00	Closing Ceremony
IPS Scientific Advisory Board	Keynote and Scientific Sessions 8.00-17.00					Lunch 12.30-13.30
		Coffee 14.30-15.00		Coffee 14.30-15.00	Coffee 14.30-15.00	IPS Executive Board
	Executive Board					
Briefing for Session Chairs					IPS National Com. Round Table	
	Poster Session 17.00-18.00	IPS Business and Technical Meetings 17.00-19.00			Poster Session 17.00-18.00	
Ice-breaking Party 19.00 -	Welcome Reception the Nobel City hall 19.00 -	VIP Dinner 19.00 -			Congress Dinner 19.00 -	

**The core
of the
14th IPC
Peatlands
in Balance**

**Parallel
oral and
poster
sessions!**

**June 4
June 5
June 7
June 8**

I. Peat and mire classification and conservation of peatlands

- a) Mire ecology and biodiversity
- b) Mire hydrology and hydrochemistry
- c) Peatlands as historical archives
- d) Mire conservation and wetlands for landscape functionality

II. Peat in energy and horticulture

- a) Peat as a growing media
- b) Peat for energy
- c) Peat harvesting and processing technology

III. Agriculture on peatlands

- a) Agricultural use of peat and peatlands

IV. Chemical, Physical and Biological Characteristics of Peat

- a) Chemical, Physical and Biological Characteristics of Peat

V. After-use of cut-over and disturbed peatlands

- a) Commercial after-use (agricultural crops, “paludiculture”, afforestation)
- b) Restoration of wetlands and peat-forming ecosystems

VI. Peat Balneology, Medicine and Therapeutics

- a) Balneological, medicinal and therapeutical use of peat

VII. Ecology and management on forested peatlands

- a) Peatland forestry and surface water quality (DOC, nutrient leaching, mercury)
- b) Management methods for peatland forestry

VIII. Cultural Aspects of Peat and Peatlands

- a) Peatlands and ecotourism
- b) Cultural and socio-economic aspects (joint session!)

IX. Tropical peatlands

- a) Land use change and impacts of fire
- b) Cultural and socio-economic aspects (joint session!)

“X.” Peatland carbon budgets and GHG fluxes

- a) Carbon balance and GHG fluxes in natural/seminatural peatlands
- b) Carbon balance and GHG fluxes in disturbed and cut-over peatlands
- c) Carbon balance and GHG fluxes – politics and carbon financing



Nobel City Hall



Reception and welcome ceremony (June 4)

Excursions – field trips! (June 6)



Lars Lundin
SLU



Dag Fredriksson
Swedish
Geological
Survey

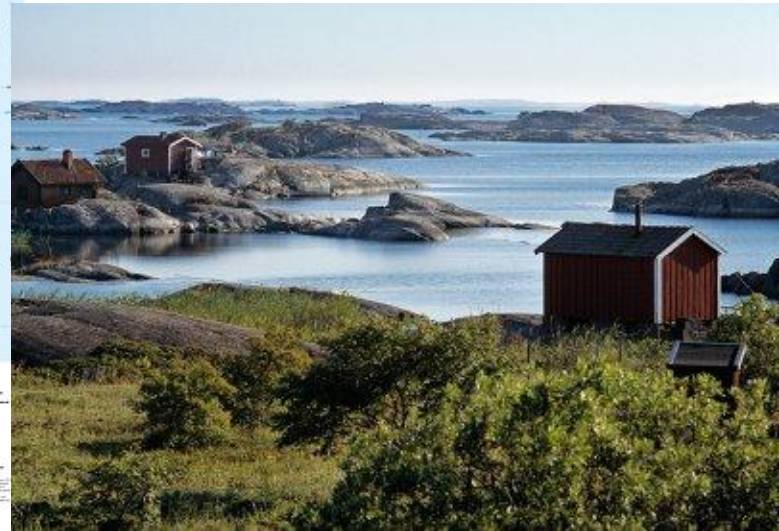
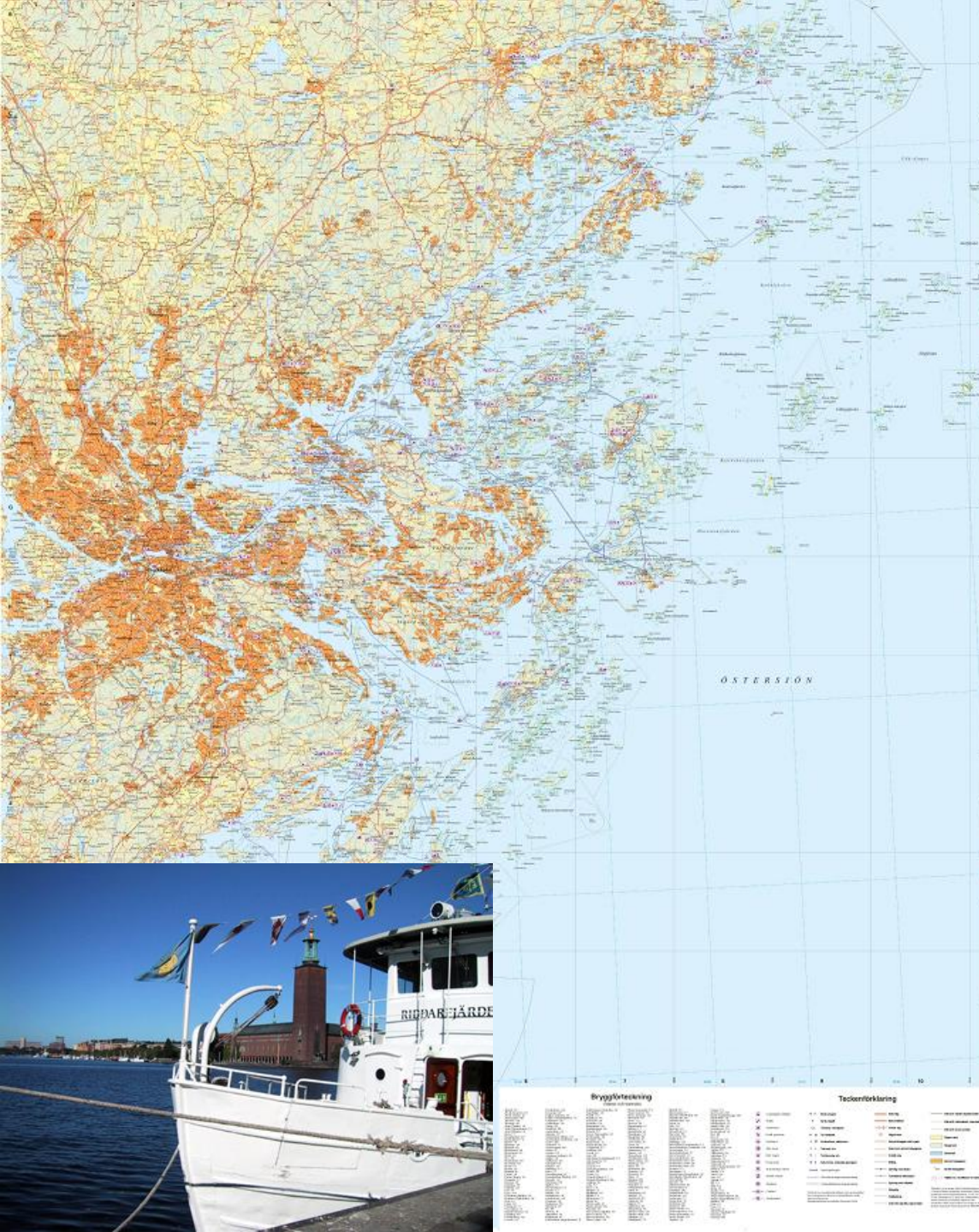
Excursion 1:

Peat geological history in Lennart von Post trails



Excursion 2:

Peat in the Archipelago of Stockholm



Other excursions in the planning:

- **Uppsala wetlands and peat culture**
- **Sapropel –Gyttja – Swedish organic soils**
- **Wetland and Peatland biodiversity**
- **Energy peat production**
- **Peat, peatland drainage and climate change**
- **Swedish landscape – peatlands, rewetting and after-use**
- **Peat as growing media and peat-cutting at Stormuren**
- **Agriculture peat; Bälinge peatlands, Ryggmossen, Nolmyra**
- **Peatland forestry; Jägarmossen/Skyttorp alternative forestry**
- **Fen wetlands; Flororna and rewetting in NE Uppland**
- **Peatland rehabilitation and natural bog; Linné trail, rewetting**

Social and Cultural Activities



Claes Bohlin

Hasselfors Garden

Get together party (June 3)

Opening ceremony (June 4)

Reception (June 4)

Congress dinner (June 7)

Closing ceremony (June 8)

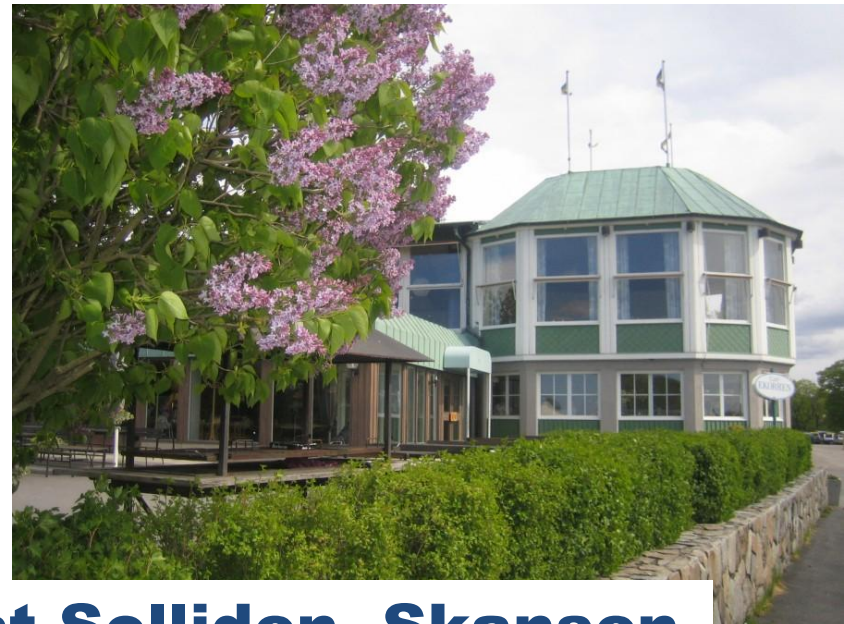




Hungry? Come with us to ...



Skansen - the oldest open-air museum in the world



Congress dinner at Solliden, Skansen





Accompanying persons programme



Dinner cruise in the archipelago

(June 5)





Pre-tour for students
workshop, indoors, outdoors, peat sampling etc.

A black and white photograph showing a peat bog. In the center, there is a small wooden structure with a ramp leading down into the bog. Several workers are visible, some standing on the bog and others near the structure. The bog is dark and appears to be a mix of peat and water. There are some trees in the background and a utility pole on the left.

Pre-tour for peat producers

**focus on both basics (Sphagnum species)
and advanced (quality of peat etc.)**





Post-tour

by helicopter

**Pals mires, Midnight sun
Cultural aspects, Peat harvesting
After use**

Welcome to Sweden in 2012!

