



UPSC Days 2022 in Saxnäs

DAY 1 - Monday, 22nd August 2022

8.00: Meet-up at the parking lot in front of Universum

8.00 - 12.00: Bus travel to Saxnäsgården – “Speed dating” after the first break

12.00: Lunch at Saxnäsgården and afterwards check-in

Session 1

Chairperson: Ove Nilsson

14.00: Welcome

Ove Nilsson, director of UPSC

14.10: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats - Where is UPSC standing?

Introduction to SWOT analysis

Markus Schmid, Professor at the Department of Plant Physiology, Umeå University

14.15: Tree-ring genomics for understanding the genetics underlying climate adaptation

Kelly Swarts, Gregor Mendel Institute of Molecular Plant Biology/Max F. Perutz Laboratories, Vienna, Austria

14.30: The dynamic aspect of plant cell walls: from changes in composition to alterations in mechanical properties

Laura Bacete, Department of Biology, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, Norway

14.45: MicroProteins – small proteins with big impact

Stephan Wenkel, Copenhagen Plant Science Centre, Department of Plant and Environmental Sciences, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

15.00: Coffee break

Session 2

Chairpersons: Sam van Es, Madhusree Mitra

15.30 – 17.00: UPSC Alumni

Short presentations by the alumni and round table discussion

- Henrik Böhlenius, Senior Lecturer/Researcher, Southern Swedish Forest Research Centre, SLU
- Urs Fischer, Managing Director at PHARMAPLANT GmbH, Germany
- Anna Karlberg, Vice President Forest R&D, Stora Enso, Sweden
- Peter Kindgren, Researcher, Researcher at the Department of Forest Genetics and Plant Physiology, SLU; group leader at UPSC
- Jakob Prestele, teacher and lector at Artediskolan, Nordmaling, Sweden

19.00 Dinner with entertainment



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Day 2 - Tuesday, 23rd August 2022

7.00 - 8.30 Breakfast

Session 3:

8.30: Individual discussions of the individual personnel category groups (i.e. TA personnel, PhD students, Postdocs, PIs)

10.00: Coffee break

Session 4 - Future forestry in Sweden (and Europe)

Chairperson: Stefan Jansson

10.30: A one-size-fits-all solution for forests in the European Union: An analysis of the new EU Forest Strategy

Camilla Sandström, Professor at the Department of Political Science, Umeå University

10.50: None of us is smarter than all of us - collaboration and communication as strategical tools for the future of forestry

Anna Karlberg, Vice President Forest R&D, Stora Enso

11.10: Forestry in the Nordics and the biodiversity issue

Annika Nordin, Professor at the Department of Forest Genetics and Plant Physiology, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences & Vice President for Sustainable forest management at Stora Enso

11.30: Discussion

11.45: Group picture at the lake

12.00 - 13.00: Lunch

13.00: Excursion to Fatmomakke Church Town

The following two activities will be offered in Fatmomakke:

1. Guided tour through Fatmomakke
2. Hiking tour

17.00: Free time at Saxnäsgården (you will have access to e.g. sauna and hot tub)

18.30 Outdoor dinner close by the restaurant next to lake Kultsjön



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Day 3 - Wednesday, 24th August 2022

7.00 - 8.30: Breakfast

Session 5: How can we make UPSC better?

8.30: Short inspirational talks presenting the topics of the group discussion

9.00: Group discussions based on the UPSC SWOT analysis

What can we improve to make UPSC a creative, innovative, and productive environment for you?

- What should we keep that is good (Strengths)?
- What can be changed/removed to make it better (Weaknesses)?
- What should we add to make it better (Opportunities)?
- How can we overcome Threats from within and outside?

10.00: Coffee break

10.30: Group discussions based on the UPSC SWOT analysis - continuation

11.30: Summary and outlook

11.40: Loading of the busses

12.00 - 13.00: Lunch

13.30: Travel back to Umeå