

# Practical amphibian monitoring course

8-12 June 2015  
Northeastern Poland:  
Białowieża + Narew

In spring 2015 the third international EPMAC week in northeastern Poland will be organised by Białowieża Biodiversity Academy, Natura Cerca and Soontiens Ecology.

Participants will observe, identify and distinguish amphibians of the European lowland (eggs, larvae and adults) and get familiar with their habitats, monitoring techniques and conservation requirements.

The course consists of presentations and field trips guided by herpetological experts and local volunteers. Data will be collected systematically in small groups during day and night. The selected sites include valuable amphibian habitats of all species in and around Białowieża Forest National Park, and Narew river valley Landscape Park.

The EPMAC-programme (Educative and Participative Monitoring for Amphibian Conservation) is a long term monitoring program that was initiated in 2013 in the region (see Froglog105 [www.amphibians.org](http://www.amphibians.org)). The collected data forms the basis for an evaluation of the status of the populations of rare amphibians in the region compared to the 1998-2000 period.

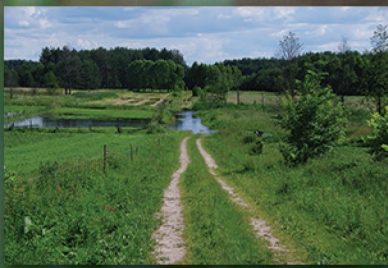
Participant fees covers the expenses for guides, organisational costs and materials that will also be used for future monitoring by local volunteers. During your stay local transportation is covered. You will have full board and lodging at Wejmutka, a beautiful place in the heart of Białowieża Forest.

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**Identification and observation of rare amphibians, their habitats and ecosystems**

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**Practical experience with monitoring methods**

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**Valuable long term monitoring programme**

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**Fieldwork in a unique landscape**  
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Fee: € 385

#### Not included

- Transport to Białowieża
- Extra overnight stays (on demand)
- Extra excursions (on demand: bison, Strict Reserve, birds, Biebrza)

Location: Białowieża Forest

Registration before 15<sup>th</sup> May: [epmac@naturacerca.es](mailto:epmac@naturacerca.es)

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