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INVITATION TO A STUDY VISIT (day 2)

Ecosystem Services in Practice: From Forests to Pollinators

Date: Wednesday, 7 October 2026, 12:45–16:00 pm
Kraj / place: Gorenjska

The study visit will focus on identifying ecosystem services directly in the landscape and exploring the benefits that different ecosystems provide to people, agriculture, biodiversity and local communities.

Programme

12:45–13:45 | Forest Educational Trail – Forest Ecosystem Services
Location: Dvorec Visoko, Visoko pri Poljanah 1, Škofja Loka
During the guided visit, participants will explore a range of forest ecosystem services, with particular emphasis on the role of forests in biodiversity conservation, water retention and regulation, climate regulation, soil protection, and the provision of recreational and other benefits to local communities. The visit will also highlight the importance of sustainable forest management in maintaining these ecosystem services over the long term.

Transfer to the next location: Beekeeping Centre Brode, Brode 37, Škofja Loka (approximately 5 minutes by car).

14:00–16:00 | Bees and Other Pollinators – Their Role in Ecosystem Functioning and Agriculture
Location: Beekeeping Centre Brode, Brode 37, Škofja Loka
The visit will highlight the importance of bees and other pollinators for ecosystem functioning, biodiversity conservation and food production. Participants will explore pollination as a key ecosystem service and its close links with agriculture, beekeeping and the conservation of habitats that support pollinator populations.
Programme:

- Presentation of the educational bee house and the role of bees in ecosystems,
- honey tasting and presentation of bee products.

We look forward to seeing you.

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