



Program of "EABRACE Workshop – first years of Baltic co-partners experience"

Location: University of Agricultural in Krakow

Period: 15 October 2025 – arrival day;

16 October – workshop day (9:00 – 17:00); social dinner at 19:00 (city center);

17 October – workshop day (9:00 – 16:00), leaving on 17 October or 18 October

Targeted groups of people: project-copartners, invited scientists; NPPOs, WITASEK company, foresters involved in trapping in each country-copartner.

Thursday 16th October 2025

08.00-08.55	Registration	
09:00-09.05	Welcome words Iryna Matsiakh, short overview of workshop goal etc.	
09.05-09.10	Welcome words from local organizers	
09.10-09:30	Ice-break introduction	
SESSION 1: Current knowledge on insects and EAB trapping Chair: Diana Marčiulynienė (EABRACE, LT)		
09.30-09.45	Iryna Matsiakh (SLU, SE)	Summary of EABRACE one year of trapping results
09.45-10:05	Invited guest Alexandre Kuhn (BL)	Enhancing Buprestidae monitoring in Europe
10.05.-10.20	Sandra Zandere (NPPO, LA)	Monitoring of EAB in Latvia
10.20-10.35	Paula Całusińska (NPPO, PL)	Monitoring of EAB in Poland
10:35-10:55	Invited guest Vihervuori Liisa (NPPO, Finland)	EAB monitoring in Finland
10.55-11.30	Coffee/Tea break (WITASEK, Forest Damage Center exhibitions, networking time), PhD posters	

11:30-11:50	Invited guest Gernot Hoch (BFW, AU)	Trapping in Austria – practical experience
11:50-12:10	Invited guest Yuriy Skrylnyk (Kharkiv, UA)	Current situation with EAB spread in Ukraine
12:10-12:25	Olga Bashynska (NPPO,UA)	Monitoring of EAB in Ukraine - trapping experience
12.25-13.30	Lunch break (cantina at University)	
SESSION 2: Current knowledge on insects and EAB trapping Chair: Magdalena Kacprzyk (EABRACE, PL)		
13:30-13:45	James Connell (Katam, SE)	Short presentation about work with WITASEK
13:45-14:05	Invited guest Davide Rassati (UNIPD, IT)	Automatic trapping, robotic traps
14:05-14:20	Mart Kinkar (NPPO, ES)	EAB monitoring in Estonia
14:20-14:30	Free time slot for now	
14:30-15:00	Coffee/Tea break, networking	
Technical session		
Topic	Why do we use certain types of traps?	Challenges in trapping
Facilitators	Alexandre Kuhn, Gernot Hoch,	Davide Rassati, Daegan Inward
15:00-15:30	Group 1	Group 2
15:30-15:45	Coffee/Tea break, networking	
15:45-16:15	Group 2	Group 1
16.15-16.30	Brief break while facilitators compile summary	
16.30-17:00	Summary and reflections by facilitators – end-of-day wrap-up	
19:00-22:00	Social dinner (Krakow city)	

Bo Aulin (NPPO, SE) Monitoring of EAB in Sweden
LT NPPO presentation



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SESSION 3: Importance of insects' biodiversity and EAB research Chair: Gunita Bokuma (EABRACE, LA)		
09.00-09.20	Invited guest Mats Jonse (SLU, SE)	Insects biodiversity research in Sweden
09.20-09.40	Invited guest Benno Augustinus (WSL, SW)	Urban ash trees as monitoring opportunity for <i>Agrilus planipennis</i>
9.40-10.00	Invited guest Lara Salido (UK)	Monitoring the spread of EAB in Eastern Europe – botanical gardens experience
10:00-10:20	Invited guest Luis Bonifacio (INIAV, PT)	Biological relevance of quarantine pests' detection
10:20-11:00	Coffee/Tea break, networking	
11.00-11:20	Invited guest Dmitrii Musolin (EPPO, FR)	EPPO and its Network of experts working on surveillance, monitoring, and control of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> (Emerald ash borer)
11:20-11:40	Invited guest Audrius Menkis (SLU, SE)	Ash dieback in the face of dual invasion: impacts and resistance potential
11:40-12:00	Donnie Peterson (SLU, SE)	Emerald ash borer (<i>Agrilus planipennis</i>) larval and <i>Hymenoscyphus fraxineus</i> impact on volatiles production in three European ash (<i>Fraxinus</i> spp.).
12:00-12:30	Open questions - Facilitators Lara Salido and Beno Augustinus	
12.30-13:30	Lunch break	
13:30-13:50	Invited guest Daegan Inward (Defra, UK)	Understanding interactions between Ash Dieback and EAB, and in defensive responses of different <i>Fraxinus</i> species to the beetle
13:50-14:05	Invited guest Mats Combes (WARWICK, UK)	Examining the effect of ash dieback disease on the spread and detection of emerald ash borer beetle in Britain
14:10-15:00	Open Discussion: insights from one year of trapping – opportunities for improvement <i>Microscopy Session for insect identification to follow</i>	
15.00-16.15	Workshop summary and closing remarks, Iryna Matsiakh	



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