



Transforming forests and forest cultures in a changing world

14-16 June, 2023

[Glenview hotel, Co. Wicklow](#)

Wednesday 14th June

Registration
Morning Opening addresses and AGM (in hotel)
Lunch Lunch in hotel & *Free time*

Afternoon Wicklow Mountains National Park
Theme - History and culture of forestry in Ireland
Including short tour of [Glendalough monastic site](#), visit to a native woodland and native woodland afforestation sites, Irish Forest policy at landscape level

Evening [Glenmalure Lodge](#)
Irish pub experience
Evening dinner and music

Thursday 15th June

Morning TranSSfor project, [Ballycullen Forest](#)
Theme – Research and education
Presentation of 12 years of research on the transformation of young Sitka spruce plantations

Lunch Forest lunch

Afternoon Walking tour of [Cloragh Forest](#)
Theme – practice and training
Sharing the experience of 18 years of transforming mixed-age stands, highlighting multifunctional aspects of forestry including timber production and training

Free time

Evening Celebration dinner with a forest theme in hotel
followed by music & entertainment
Sharing the story of Pro Silva Ireland

Friday 16th June

Morning [Knockrath Forest](#)
Theme – practice and the environment
Timber production, presentation of AFI data, river catchment management

Mid-morning In-forest panel discussion on national and international CCF policy

Lunch Forest lunch

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Afternoon [Dublin mountains](#) Coillte Nature
Theme – forest and people

The experience of Coillte (semi-state forestry body) in transforming plantations to permanent irregular forests adjacent to Dublin City for the provision of environmental and recreational benefits

Free time

Evening [Plucks pub](#) (10 minutes from hotel)
Irish pub experience
Evening dinner and more Irish hospitality

Meeting close



Clorgh forest



TranSSFor Ballycullen



Education and training



Ticknock forest

draft programme 27th February – final programme due May 2023

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