

# Biodiversity Genomics Meeting: Bringing together Policy and Practitioners

## Welcome & Main Speeches

| Time          | Title                                                                                          | Speaker                                 | Affiliation                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 9:30 - 10:00  | Welcome Coffee                                                                                 |                                         |                                                |
| 10:00 - 10:10 | Greetings                                                                                      |                                         |                                                |
| 10:10 - 10:25 | Biodiversity Genomics Europe (BGE) Project and the GrBOL node                                  | Prof. Alexandros Triantafyllidis        | Aristotle University of Thessaloniki           |
| 10:25 - 10:40 | Long-term Perspective of BGE Initiative and BGE+ Project Proposal                              | Dr. Dimitris Koureas                    | Naturalis Biodiversity Center, The Netherlands |
| 10:40 - 11:00 | The Finnish National eDNA Initiative and Roadmap – Origins, Purpose, Impact and Lessons Learnt | Dr. Veera Norros                        | The Finnish Environment Institute              |
| 11:00 - 11:20 | The Development and Use of DNA Methods for Environmental Monitoring and Regulation in Scotland | Dr. Alistair Duguid                     | Scottish Environment Protection Agency         |
| 11:20 - 11:40 | Monitoring Unintentional Introductions of Alien Species Using DNA-based Methods                | Assoc. Prof. Kristine Bakke Westergaard | Norwegian University of Science and Technology |
| 11:40 - 12:00 | Implementation and Standardization of Molecular Monitoring Methods                             | Dr. Tiina Laamanen                      | The Finnish Environment Institute              |

## Lunch Break 12:00 - 13:00

## Actions and Needs of the Greek State Agencies

| Time          | Representatives                                 | Organization                                                       |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 13:00 - 13:10 | Adamantia Grekiotou, Georgia Konstantakopoulou  | General Directorate of Forests and Forest Environment              |
| 13:10 - 13:20 | Giorgos Theofilopoulos, Georgia Panagiotopoulou | General Directorate of Water                                       |
| 13:20 - 13:30 | Dimitris Vlachos, Giannis Chronis               | Directorate of Environment, Industry, Energy and Natural Resources |
| 13:30 - 13:40 | Evaggelia Dontou, Vasiliki Margaritopoulou      | Natural Environment & Climate Change Agency                        |
| 13:40 - 13:50 | Katerina Koutsovoulou                           | Green Fund                                                         |
| 13:50 - 14:00 | Vaso Tsiaousi, Rania Lortou                     | Greek Biotope Wetland Centre                                       |

## Round Table Open Discussion 14:00 - 15:00

**05/12/25 @ Conference room “K. Kastritsis”, Biology Building (10th floor), University Campus AUTH**