IMCG Field Symposum in Magallanes and Chilean Antarctica Region, Chile

Organization: WCS Chile, UMAG (Magallanes University)

Collaboration: UNTDF (National University of Tierra del Fuego, Argentina)



The IMCG Field Symposium 2025 will take place in Chile with the aim of promoting activities related to the knowledge, conservation, restoration, and wise use of peatlands in the Southern Hemisphere, especially in the southern region of Chile, South America.

The excursion will cover peatlands near Punta Arenas and Puerto Natales in the Magallanes province and peatlands of the Karukinka Natural Park in Tierra del Fuego, Chile. Some specific objectives of the visit are:

- ✓ To exchange knowledge between peatland workers in Tierra del Fuego and the international peatland community.
- ✓ To provide opportunities for networking and collaboration development especially between researchers in Tierra del Fuego and elsewhere.
- ✓ To raise the political profile of the mires of Tierra del Fuego to help improve prospects for conservation.

Overview of the excursion program

Date	Main Activity	Sleeping Place	Organization
1/12/25	Arrival in Punta Arenas.	Punta Arenas (Hotel	WCS Chile
	Presentation about the field trip and	Kran Kren)	
	welcome dinner.		
2/12/25	Transfer to Karukinka reserve.	Karukinka and Lodge	WCS Chile
	Trip from Punta Arenas to Karukinka	Innata	
	visiting Cameron peatlands		
3/12/25	Visit to peatlands near Estancia	Karukinka and Lodge	WCS Chile
	Vicuña	Innata	
4/12/25	Visit to La Paciencia peatlands and	Karukinka y Lodge	WCS Chile
	Almirantazgo bay	Innata	

5/12/25	Return to Punta Arenas, observing	Punta Arenas (Hain	WCS Chile
	the steppe landscape	Casa Hotel)	
6/12/25	Visit to peatlands near Punta Arenas	Punta Arenas (Hain	UMAG
	(Parrillar and San Juan)	Casa Hotel)	
7/12/25	Transfer to Puerto Natales visiting	Puerto Natales (Darwin	UMAG / Planeta Agua
	peatlands along the way	Hotel)	Foundation
8/12/25	Visit to Natales peatlands and return	Punta Arenas (Kran	UMAG / Planeta Agua
	to Punta Arenas	Kren)	Foundation
9/12/25	Scientific Symposium- UMAG	Free	UMAG

Budget

The budget of the whole trip including transfers, food and accommodation is \$EU 1232



Punta Arenas and Puerto Natales

Karukinka Park



Peatlands in La Paciencia Valley, Karukinka Park