

25 YEARS OF LANDSCAPE ECOLOGY



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The 25th year since the first meeting of ialeUK is an opportunity to reflect on the increasing importance of landscape ecology and its affect over the next 25 years.

Practical landscape projects have strengthened local communities, built a sense of place and enhanced the natural environment. Consideration of nature and culture increasingly supports landscape planning for environmental, social and economic sustainability. Landscape and landscape characterisation is now widely understood to encompass urban, rural and marine. Landscape surveillance and monitoring increasingly understands heterogeneity and informs the development of spatial models and decision support tools. Landscape conservation is the new mainstream with a realisation that the wider landscape requires attention alongside protected areas and priority habitats. Landscape history has shaped current patterns of natural assets, and their structure and function provide ecosystem services we depend upon. Together with nature-based solutions, the link between urban, rural and seascape is recognised as a key factor for enhanced resilience and human wellbeing.

We look forward to welcoming participants from around the world who work with landscape and seascape, including natural and social scientists, landscape architects, planners, policy-makers, geographers and archaeologists. The conference will appeal to people working in research, policy and practice and will include plenty of opportunities for discussion and networking.

The ialeUK 2017 Conference is organised by the ialeUK Committee and Countryside.

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PROGRAMME:

Tuesday 27 June

AM The long view on landscape ecology

PM Upland landscape ecology

Wednesday 28 June

AM Lowland landscape ecology

PM Seascape ecology

Thursday 29 June

Field visits