



Dates : 23th to 26th May 2025, Gołębki – Poland
Organizer : Association of Independent Fire Experts - SNEP
Co-organizers : European Forest Institute, Pau Costa Foundation
Host of the area: Nadleśnictwo Gołębki, Polish State Forests



PARTICIPANT INFORMATION PACKAGE

GENERAL INFORMATION

On behalf of the Association of Independent Fire Experts (SNEP), together with the co-organizers, we invite you to the 4th international edition of our unique **Forest Camp!**

Participants will familiarize with the most current knowledge and will be able to apply it in practice under the guidance of experts. There will be plenty of exercises with live fire, innovative solutions, and interesting surprises. During the **3 days course**, we anticipate having many themed stations, where we will present the necessary knowledge for safely and effectively wildland firefighting in an accessible manner. There will also be an opportunity to get familiar with product innovations from renowned manufacturers of firefighting equipment.

Basic assumption of wildfire practical maneuvers:

Over 100 participants are expected. **Participation is determined by the order of applications and payment.** Small teams, equipped with a map of the area, are to find control points in the forest, where specific tasks will be carried out under the supervision of an instructor. The groups work independently of each other. Participants will be exposed to flames, smoke and heat. It is obligatory to take care of your own individual personal protective equipment. We place **maximum emphasis on the practical execution of tasks** and teamwork. But this is not a survival camp, there will also be time for fun, bonfire integration and **international networking**.

LOCATION OF THE CAMP

ForestCamp is located in a forest complex with numerous lakes in the **Gołębki** Forest District, in the central part of Poland. Access for motorized participants is at their own expense.

Place of accommodation, parking and Base of Operation.

Hosting : wooden camping cabins, Jutrzenka Gołębki, Gołębki 2, 62-240 Gołębki

Location : 52.642467, 17.7638150 [**GOOGLE MAPS**](#)

The nearest international airport is Poznań (POZ), it is possible to organize transport from the airport on Thursday (22.05) at 17:00. On Monday 26.05 we can take you back to Poznań airport at 08:30. In order to arrange the details, please report such a need to the organizers individually in the registration form.

Check also flights to Berlin or Warsaw. But from there you will have to get to us on your own.

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

Accommodation in wooden camping cottages is provided for 4 nights: Thursday/Friday 22/23.05, Friday/Saturday 23/24.05, Saturday/Sunday 24/25.05 and Sunday/Monday 25/26.05. Basic meals are provided, but you should take care of your own additional dry snacks (extra calories) during the maneuvers. On Thursday we only provide dinner and on Monday only breakfast.

INSTRUCTORS

The training program is designed in cooperation with the **European Forest Institute** and **Pau Costa Foundation**. The group of instructors consists of SNEP core team and an international team of acknowledged experts with extensive practical experience.

UNIFORM & EQUIPMENT

The conditions prevailing during the maneuvers are intended to reflect the real situation of a forest fire. Participants are **required to have individual personal protective equipment (PPE)** adapted to long hours of work in wildland. The organizer provides the equipment (tools) needed to work at individual task stations.

ESSENTIAL PERSONAL PACK

Each participant must have a backpack with them during the maneuvers. Equipment according to individual preferences, but **you must have: all-day supply of drinking water**, personal medication - personal First Aid Kit, dry snacks, extra calories.

WEATHER

The only thing we have no control over is the weather. Due to the huge organizational commitment and incurred costs, we will not be able to cancel the training due to rain or storm. In the event of unfavorable weather conditions, we will implement an emergency plan in the form of a workshop.



FRAMEWORK DAY PLAN

Day 0: Thursday, 22.05.2025

17:00 - opening a camp office for participants with their own means of transport: registration of participants, collection of starting packages, allocation of accommodation

17:00 - pick-up of participants from the Poznań airport (expected bus travel time: 1,5 h)

18:30 - bus arrival from Poznań airport, registration of participants from the airport

19:00 - warm dinner and networking around the bonfire

Day 1 – 3: Friday – Sunday, 23-25.05.2025

07:30 - Breakfast

08:30 - Briefing

09:00 - Transfer to the training site in the forest

10:00 - Beginning of the practical part in the forest

18:00 - End of the practical part in the forest, transport to the camp

19:00 - Warm dinner and networking around the bonfire

Day 4 – Monday – 26.05.2025

08:00 - Breakfast

08:30 - Bus transfer to Poznań airport (when purchasing a return ticket, consider 1,5 - 2 hours of travel to the airport + time needed for check-in, etc., we suggest return flights no earlier than 12:30 p.m.)

09:30 - Participants' departure. The end of Forest Camp.

RESERVATION OF PARTICIPATION

Sign up for the training using the form provided below (click on the hyperlink, you will be redirected to the website):

Click here: **[REGISTRATION FORM](#)**

Please fill out all information accurately. For groups it is possible for one submission of this form, but you must list information regarding all participants (names, t-shirt sizes, food allergies, transportation needs). Please provide your email address as a copy of your answers will be sent to you.

The form also contains information about payment. **After receiving pro-forma invoice, you have 14 days to complete the payment** and secure your position on the iron list. Otherwise, your spot will be given out. If you fail to pay on time, we remove you from the list and release your place for the next people (**we accept applications according in order of signup**).

The pro forma invoice applies to the number of training participants. It is possible to change the names of participants (head for head), but you cannot change the number of paid participants before the event. The final (paper) invoice will be available for collection at the event office during Forest Camp.

PAYMENT

The participation fee: **600 € per person**.

We advise you to hurry and not delay the decision. There is a great interest in this event.



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See necessarily, a picture is worth more than our words.

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PARTNERS

Partners reported so far. But the list is constantly expanding because we are still in talks.



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