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## Seminar

# Reindeer husbandry as a resource for the society

## *Present contribution and future possibilities*

<b>Time</b>	Mon. December 3, 1.00-5.00 pm followed by dinner and Tue. December 4, 9.00-12.00 am.
<b>Venue</b>	Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Uppsala 3/12 Undervisningshuset sal F and 4/12 BioCentrum A281
<b>Registration</b>	No later than 20 November via <a href="#">this link</a> or through our website <a href="http://www.ksla.se">www.ksla.se</a> No fee. <u>Cancellations must be made no later than November 28</u> , or we will invoice SEK 500 to cover costs.
<b>Questions</b>	Eva Ronquist, <a href="mailto:eva.ronquist@ksla.se">eva.ronquist@ksla.se</a> , tel. + 46 8 54 54 77 06

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Although the life of reindeer herding families has always been demanding, the indigenous reindeer herding peoples throughout the circumpolar North today face major challenges. Climate change, altered societal circumstances, and loss of vital grazing lands (due to oil and gas production, hydro electric dams, infrastructure, wind power and forestry) are examples of phenomena that threaten reindeer husbandry practices and cultures. Competition for resources increases and as a consequence, internal and external conflicts become more common.

Thus, challenges and problems, conflicts and controversies, are often in focus in the discussion about reindeer husbandry. All too often the merits of reindeer husbandry are forgotten or neglected. All too often we tend to forget that reindeer husbandry in a multitude of ways makes considerable contributions to the society.

The fact is that reindeer husbandry since time immemorial has been of great economic and cultural importance for many indigenous peoples in the Barents Euro-Arctic Region. It is also one of the most resilient forms of livelihood in the region. Reindeer husbandry represents an important model of sustainable exploitation and management of northern terrestrial ecosystems based on experience accumulated over generations, conserved, developed and adapted to the climatic, political and economic systems of the north.

Under the auspices of the Swedish Presidency of the Arctic Council and the Arctic Council Sustainable Development Working Group (SDWG), the Royal Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry and the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences invites to the seminar: *Reindeer husbandry as a resource for the society – Present contribution and future possibilities*. Research, on-going activities, success stories, and reindeer husbandry as a model for resource management and local food production will be presented and discussed under four main topics: Landscape and biodiversity; Food; Traditional knowledge (including art, handicraft, etc); and Local (rural) socio-economics.

Welcome!!

Carl-Anders Helander  
General Secretary and Managing Director, KSLA

Lisa Sennerby Forsse  
Vice-Chancellor, SLU



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**December 3, 2012**

**Moderator** Anders Esselin, Man & Nature

12.30 **Registration**

13.00 **Practicalities**

Moderator Anders Esselin, Man & Nature

13.05 **Welcome/Introduction**

TBA

13:30 **Reindeer husbandry's contribution to the resilience of forest and tundra landscapes**

Jon Moen, professor Umeå University

14:00 **Reindeer husbandry's effects on biodiversity**

Kari Anne Bråhten, researcher, University of Tromsø

14:30 **Increased productivity by caring for the animal**

Birgitta Åhman, professor Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, SLU

15:00 **Sami food (including coffee and sami snacks)**

Greta Huuva, Sami Food Ambassador

16:00 **High quality meat based on natural ecosystems**

Birgitta Åhman, professor Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, SLU

16:15 **Traditional knowledge**

TBA

16.45 **Reindeer herding's role for carrying culture, language and the livelihood in sami villages**

Liisa Holmberg, Director of the Sami educational centre in Inari

17.15 **Discussion**

17.45 **End of day**

19.00 **Dinner at Loftet, SLU**

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**December 4, 2012**

**Moderator** Anders Esselin, Man & Nature

- 09.00 **Welcome back**  
Moderator Anders Esselin
- 09.05 **Reindeer husbandry's contribution to rural socio-economics**  
Jan-Åge Riseth, researcher at Northern Research Institute, Tromsø, Norway
- 09.35 **Reindeer husbandry's contribution in the municipality of Jokkmokk**  
Ingrid Inga, Swedish Sami Parliament and Jokkmokk municipality
- 10.00 **Economic and social effects of sami tourism**  
Dieter Müller, professor Umeå University
- 10.30 **Coffee**
- 11.00 **Co-management of Lapponia – the world heritage of Lapland**  
Michael Teilus, chair Lapponia board of management
- 11.30 **Discussion**
- 11:55 **Concluding remarks**

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### Suggested accommodation:

- Sunnersta Herrgård: single room 680 SEK, double room 790 SEK (breakfast included). Walking distance from SLU. <http://www.sunnerstaherrgard.se/>
- Eklundshof: single room 1095 SEK. In between SLU and downtown Uppsala, bus connection to SLU. <http://www.eklundshof.se/>
- First Hotel Linné: Single room 1170 SEK. Downtown Uppsala, buss connection to SLU. <http://www.firsthotels.se/Vara-Hotell/Hotell-i-Sverige/Uppsala/First-Hotel-Linne/?gclid=CJOvh7-E1bICFYF7cAodDD8AJw>
- Best Western Hotel Svava: Single room 1379 SEK. Downtown Uppsala, buss connection to SLU. <http://www.hotelsvava.com/>