

INTERNATIONAL
CONGRESS OF NATURE
AND FOREST KINDERGARTENS



Always outdoors

more important than
ever – worldwide



November
15–17, 2025
in Berlin



BvNW

Nature has many aspects, wilderness, beauty, wonder ...

From **15 to 17 November 2025**, experts will meet in Berlin on the topic of **'Always outside – more important than ever – worldwide'**.

Be there

- to get practical ideas for nature and forest kindergartens as well as for nature-orientated daycare centres.
- to get to know wild, exciting, joyful, calm, concentrated things.
- to share experiences and make contacts.





Annual General Meeting

This year, the meeting will start on **Friday, 14 November 2025, at 7 p.m.** Afterwards, we invite you to a small buffet to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the federal association.



Workshops

There will be 16 workshops on saturday and 13 workshops on sunday. You can register for the workshops on our website: **www.bvnw.de**



PROGRAM

Saturday 15.11.2025

07.30 am **Arrival – Registration**

Tea & coffee

08.00 am **Grand opening**

International market of opportunities

“All about the nature and forest kindergarten”


The market is open during the entire event.

9.00 am **Welcome and opening remarks**

Moderation: Manuela Hähn and Christoph Rullmann

9.30 am **OPENING SPEECH**

The feeling of connection and freedom as a basic prerequisite for the development of a child’s brain. Why forest kindergartens are so well suited for this.

 Speaker: Prof. Dr. Gerald Hüther

11.00 am **Break**

11.30 am **INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

Breathing Earth-Time: Engaging in small acts of resistance in chaotic and uncertain times

Speaker: Dr. Elizabeth Henderson, Scotland

Magic happens outdoors!

Speaker: Ulla Myllyniemi, Finland

Forest kindergarten in uncertain times – finding an anchor in a chaotic reality

Speaker: Ron Meltzer, Israel

1.00 pm **Lunch**

Exchange of ideas at country tables

3:00 pm **WORKSHOP PHASE 1**

Coffee break included

8:00 pm **Evening program with Hagara Feinbier**

Simple heart songs and songs for Mother Earth from different cultures

Book reading Pit Golle

Episodes from the 10-year history of the Waldhort Ebersberg

Film forest kindergarten

by the company AV1


PROGRAM

Sunday 16.11.2025

08.00 am **Arrival**


08.30 am **LECTURE**

**Impoverishment of relationships,
disembodiment and de-objectification
of childhood? Effects of digital products
on children and parents**

 Speaker: Prof. Dr. Joachim Bauer

10.00 am **INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**


**Current situation and challenges of nature
and forest kindergartens in Japan - from a
sustainability perspective**

 Speaker: Dr. Hiroe KIDO, Japan

**Radically Child-Led: Supporting
neurodivergent learners in the United States**

Speaker: Emily Bryce, USA

**How trees became the third educator
- nature education in Turkey**

 Speaker: Iskender Yildirim, Turkey

11.30 am **Break**

12.00 pm **Panel discussion on digitalisation**

1.00 pm **Snacks/exchange at country tables**

2.30 pm **WORKSHOP PHASE 2**

Coffee break included


6.00 pm **Farewell/info about excursions**

Monday 17.11.2025

1. **Visit to a forest kindergarten**

2. **Waldhort of the Reinfelder
school shop association**

3. **Forest class 123 Conrad School**

 Presentation/Workshop in german, translator on site

Workshops



1 GREEN STUFF – KNOWLEDGE THAT LASTS

DE Speaker: Christine Rauch
Christine.rauch@wilddrausch.de

saturday & sunday

2 FINE SMOKED PRODUCTS FROM THE FOREST AND MEADOWS

DE Speaker: Friederike Grabsch
frieda.grabsch@posteo.de

saturday & sunday

3 KNEIPP – NOT JUST A BASIN, BUT AN ATTITUDE

What does Sebastian Kneipp have to do with the forest kindergarten?

DE Speaker: Asha Scherbach
bne@senceability.acadamy

only saturday

4 17 GOALS – CALL FOR ACTION

DE Speaker: Sylva Jürgensen, Johanna Pareigis
sylva.juergensen@email.de, johanna.pareigis@gmx.de

saturday & sunday

5 PRETTY TANGLED, SUCH A NATURE EDUCATION SPIDER PROJECT

DE Speaker: Anne Gerhardt-Rodewald, Kim Rennemann
natur-spiel@gmx.de

saturday & sunday

6 BREATHING EARTH-TIME: ENGAGING IN SMALL ACTS OF RESISTANCE IN CHAOTIC AND UNCERTAIN TIMES

Speaker: Dr. Elizabeth Henderson
elizhen@hotmail.com

saturday & sunday

7 OUTDOOR MAGIC! – CAMPFIRE MODEL

Speaker: Ulla Myllyniemi
ulla.myllyniemi@gmail.com

saturday & sunday



Phase 1: saturday 3:00 pm

Phase 2: sunday 2:30 pm

8 FOREST AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB – FREE-RANGE KIDS, VERY PRACTICAL

DE Speaker: Pit Golle, Referentin: Karen Brummer
Pit@Waldhort-ebe.de, Karen@Waldhort-ebe.de

only saturday

9 EXPERIENCE NATURE, DEVELOP RESILIENCE – A MOTOPEDAGOGICAL WORKSHOP

DE Speaker: Annette Ebsen, Referent: Matthias Pose
mp@kon-takt-training.de

saturday & sunday

10 NATURE MENTORING AND COYOTE TEACHING – TEACHING AND LEARNING IN NATURE

only saturday

READING TRACES – THE BEAUTIFUL AND POWERFUL FEATHER

only sunday

DE Speaker: Ralph Müller
ralph.mueller@vogelsprache.de

11 WHEN THE FOREST BECOMES A CLASSROOM – LIVING AND LEARNING IN THE FOREST CLASS 123 AT CONRAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

DE Speaker: Birgit Eiselt, Maxi Rothbart
beiselt@oteso.de

saturday & sunday



12 BIODIVERSITY – FROM A WILD SPOT TO A TINY FOREST

DE Speaker: Axel Heineck
Axel.Heineck@web.de

saturday & sunday

13 UNITED IN NATURE – SONGS FOR FOREST KINDERGARTENS

DE Speaker: Michi Fink, Sebastian Gimm
michifink@wild-wurzeln.de, s.gimm@web.de

all day saturday & sunday, open offer, no registration necessary

14 .. SUDDENLY THE NATURE OR FOREST KINDERGARTEN IS HOLDING ITS BREATH

Insurance solutions – what is necessary and sensible?

DE Speaker: Markus Först
mf@foerstfinanz.de

saturday & sunday

15 RECOGNIZE AND SOLVE (LEGAL) PROBLEMS IN DAYCARE CENTERS

DE Speaker: Bartosz Dzionsko
b.dzionsko@dreyenberg.com

only saturday

16 THE HEALING POWER OF SONG, DANCE AND COMMUNITY

DE Speaker: Hagara Feinbier
hagara@come-together-songs.de

saturday & sunday

Registration

You can register for the conference via our website **www.bvnw.de**.



Simply scan the QR code with your mobile phone and you can easily register online.

Prices*

| Booking type | Fee 2 days | Fee 3 days |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Early booker** | 210,00 € | 220,00 € |
| Standard booker | 230,00 € | 240,00 € |
| Member BvNW and early booker** | 190,00 € | 200,00 € |
| Member BvNW and Standard booker | 210,00 € | 220,00 € |

* Refund in case of non-participation until October 25, 2025

** Early bookers: receipt of payment by 10.10.2025 to the account of the BvNW

Account details

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Your participation is only guaranteed after receipt of your participation fee and you will receive a confirmation of registration.

If you become a member of the BvNW at the same time as your registration, you will of course receive the membership discount. You can find a membership application form here: www.bvnw.de/mitglied-werden

Venue

Rathaus Schöneberg
John-F.-Kennedy-Platz
10825 Berlin
Germany

Registration for the conference

Registration is possible on the website www.bvnw.de.
The conference fee includes the cost of catering on Saturday and Sunday.

Event host

Bundesverband der Natur- und Waldkindergärten in Deutschland e.V.

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24145 Kiel
Germany
www.bvnw.de

Registration fee

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Directions

Public transport:
Underground/subway (e.g. Rathaus Schöneberg) and bus stops nearby

Accommodation:

Inexpensive options via
www.wimdu.de
www.airbnb.de

Contact

If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to karingimm@bvnw.de

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