

MRI PAS Open Seminar Special Edition:
Socio-ecological Effects of State Border Barriers

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Detailed programme:

- **9:45 introduction** (Dr hab. Tomasz Borowik, Mammal Research Institute, Polish Academy of Sciences)
- **10:00 Recent situation and wildlife (ungulate) mortality in border fences in south-eastern Europe: case studies along Slovenia-Croatia and Hungary-Croatia border** (Prof. Boštjan Pokorny, Faculty of Environmental Protection, Slovenia)
- **10:45 Potential and actual impact of Slovenia-Croatia border fences on habitat connectivity for bears, wolves and lynx** (Assist. Prof. Hubert Potočnik, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia)
- **11:30 Assessing paternity and spatial genetic structure to uncover anthropogenic barriers in the environment** (Prof. Elena Bužan, University of Primorska, Slovenia)
- 12:00 Break
- **13:00 Long-term effects of the Iron Curtain era: Šumava** (Dr Zdenka Křenová, Global Change Research Centre, Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic)
- **13:45 The US-Mexico border wall experience and the importance of measuring and monitoring** (Myles Traphagen, Borderlands Program, Wildlands Network, USA)
- 14: 30 Break
- **14:50 Footprint of Poland's border barrier extends beyond the border: Data from a forest road in Białowieża Forest** (Dr Katarzyna Nowak, Białowieża Geobotanical Station, University of Warsaw, Poland)
- **15:10 Effects of state border policies on people's interactions with and perceptions of Białowieża Forest** (Prof. Bogdan Jaroszewicz, Białowieża Geobotanical Station, University of Warsaw, Poland)
- 15:30-16:00 **Discussion** — with all speakers
- 16:00 Closing and coffee