

# Agenda of the First Finnish iNaturalist Identification Session

**January 30, 2026**

In-person venue: Botanical Garden, University of Oulu, Finland

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Online participation (Zoom):

<https://oulu.zoom.us/j/69129065137>

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| 09:15–09:30 | Welcome coffee   |
| 09:30–09:40 | Opening and introduction<br><br>Mykyta Peregrym (Researcher, University of Oulu, Finland)  |
| 09:40–09:50 | Welcome address<br><br>Prof. Marko Mutanen (Director, Biodiverse Anthropocenes Research Programme, University of Oulu, Finland)  |
| 09:50–10:20 | Introduction to iNaturalist<br><br>Alison Young (Director of Outreach Programs, iNaturalist Team, USA)   |
| 10:20–11:00 | What we miss and what we see: identifying lichens and other cryptogams on iNaturalist<br><br>Valerii Darmostuk (Assistant Professor, Władysław Szafer Institute of Botany, Polish Academy of Sciences, Kraków, Poland) |
| 11:00–11:30 | Mushroom identification in iNaturalist<br><br>Anna Ruotsalainen (Curator, University of Oulu, Finland)   |
| 11:30–11:40 | A request to iNaturalist users regarding data collection of selected Finnish plant species<br><br>Mykyta Peregrym (Researcher, University of Oulu, Finland)  |
| 11:40–12:00 | Discussion   |
| 12:00–14:00 | Lunch  |
| 14:00–16:30 | Identification work  |

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| 10:00–10:10 | Opening remarks<br><br>Mykyta Peregrym (Researcher, University of Oulu, Finland) |
| 10:10–17:50 | Identification work  |
| 17:50–18:00 | Closing remarks  |

### General information and recommendations:

Connection channels:

iNaturalist journal: <https://www.inaturalist.org/journal/mykytaperegrym>

WhatsApp group "First Finnish iNaturalist Identification Session":

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/HTGwcBGk28GHsPqz3xZPEe> or



Email: [mykyta.peregrym@oulu.fi](mailto:mykyta.peregrym@oulu.fi)

Participants are kindly asked to bring their own laptops and any identification guides they plan to use during the identification work. If you do not have access to the identification literature you need and the relevant materials are available in the catalogue of the University of Oulu Library (<https://oula.finna.fi/>), please contact us as soon as possible at [mykyta.peregrym@oulu.fi](mailto:mykyta.peregrym@oulu.fi), so that we can arrange access in advance.

We look forward to seeing you soon, both in Oulu and online!

