

Field trip 1 - Murren – Lauterbrunnen

A walk in the snow with glimpses at the landscape

Moderators

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Programme

11.00	Departure by bus from Interlaken
12.00	Arrival in Lengwald, by aerial cableway to Murren, lunch in the bus or in the snow, depending the weather
12.30	Start walking towards Winteregg
14.30	Arrival at Winteregg Restaurant
15.30	Walk Winteregg to Grutschalp
16.30	Arrival at Grutschalp, cablecar to Lauterbrunnen
17.00	Arrival at Lauterbrunnen and travel back to Interlaken by bus
17.30	Arrival at Interlaken and dinner in a restaurant in Interlaken
19.00	end of official program

► We will walk along a terrace above Lauterbrunnen Valley, a deep valley ending at some of the most impressive Alpine mountains (Eiger, Monch and Jungfrau)

► Along our path we come along multiple examples of forests with important protective functions (water regulation, avalanches, rock falls) and many constructions against avalanches etc.

► We will discuss:

- on tenure and property aspects of these forests
- on sustainable management of forests, the role of the different governance levels (local, cantonal, national) and how these levels interact
- on financing of forest and construction work (who contributes how much at local, cantonal, and national levels)

► The excursion will take place in winter conditions with snow, and we might have intensive sun radiation. Total walking time will be around 3 hours.

► Please **do only choose** this field trip if:

- you have adapted footwear (high leather shoes, sneakers will not do)
- you have cloths adapted to walk in cold conditions
- you are ready to walk 3 hours

► From Lauterbrunnen the bus will directly bring us to the restaurant in Interlaken where dinner is offered.