

# The Future of Wildlife in British Woodlands

25<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at the University of Reading

9.50am – 5.00 pm (registration & coffee from 9am)

*What does the future hold for our woodland wildlife?*

*Can we develop sustainable approaches to the management of woodland landscapes?*

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## ***Morning session: The Changing State of British Woodlands***

**Keynote Speaker - George Peterken**

'Woodlands, wildlife and the need for sustainable management and design'

**Emma Goldberg & Keith Kirby, Natural England**

'The changing status of woodland vascular plants'

**Dan Hoare, Butterfly Conservation**

'Causes of change in woodland Lepidoptera'

**Tony Mitchell-Jones, Natural England**

'The ecology and conservation of woodland mammals'

**Roger Key**

'The role of deadwood as a biodiversity resource'

**Rob Fuller, British Trust for Ornithology**

'The future of woodland birds in Britain'

## ***Afternoon Session - Delivery of Woodland Conservation***

**Fran Thompson, Butterfly Conservation**

'The South East Woodlands Project'

**Rich Howorth, Sussex Wildlife Trust**

'The West Weald Landscape Partnership – managing for species, habitats and ecosystems'

**Gavin Saunders, Forestry Commission**

'The Neroche Landscape Partnership Scheme'

**James Phillips, Natural England**

'Targeting agri-environment schemes for farmland birds in England  
– Can this approach work for woodlands?'

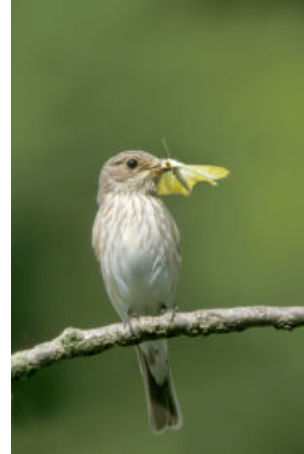
**Pooran Desai, BioRegional**

'Can charcoal and firewood be used to meet biodiversity targets?'

**Jonathan Spencer, Forestry Commission**

'Shaping the future of England's woodlands'

***This conference will examine the complex relationship between ecology and woodland management, and is aimed at a broad mix of woodland managers, scientists, conservationists and policy makers - anyone interested in how we influence the future of our woodland biodiversity. Presentations will cover a range of biodiversity including birds, mammals, plants and Lepidoptera, as well as providing case studies of conservation action and implications for forestry policy.***



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## **Booking essential**

This one-day conference on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March is linked to Butterfly Conservation's International Symposium, taking place at the University of Reading on 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> March. Places at either event, as well as accommodation, can be booked online. Tickets for the conference are £20, which includes lunch and tea/coffee.

To book for the woodland conference alone, or for both, visit [www.butterfly-conservation.org/symposium](http://www.butterfly-conservation.org/symposium)

## **Posters welcome**

Posters illustrating woodland management issues or studies of woodland wildlife are welcome but must be registered by contacting the conference organiser: Dr Dan Hoare ([dhoare@butterfly-conservation.org](mailto:dhoare@butterfly-conservation.org))

## **How to get there**

The conference takes place at Reading University in the Palmer Building on the Whiteknights Campus. Registration and coffee starts at 9.00am, talks will begin at 9.50am.

For full details including campus maps, trains and buses please see: [http://www.butterfly-conservation.org/text/3720/how\\_to\\_get\\_there.html](http://www.butterfly-conservation.org/text/3720/how_to_get_there.html)

Part of Butterfly Conservation's South East Woodland Project, examining how sustainable management can support woodland wildlife.

