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RENEWAL OF THE EUROPEAN DIPLOMA
FOR THE MUDDUS NATIONAL PARK NATURE RESERVE
(Sweden)

On-the-spot Appraisal

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THE MUDDUS NATIONAL PARK AND NATURE RESERVE

Muddus National Park was established in 1942 and comprises an area of ca. 500 km² with forests, watercourses, mines and peatland. The greater part of the park is completely undisturbed. Further information is given in European Diploma Series n° 6.

The Park was inspected by helicopter and on foot, including visits to Muddusluobbal and Muddusfallet.

Muddus does not have any of the problems of Sarek and Padjelanta. It is practically self protected, as the extensive wet marshes make access to the park, and especially to the bird reservation in the centre, almost impossible.

Marked routes exist only towards the south and east, where there are facilities for hiking, bird watching, etc.

Within the Muddus National Park, fishing and hunting are prohibited. As this naturally covers hunting from snowscooters, etc., serious problems are non-existent. The Park is kept in excellent condition and well administered.

I strongly recommend the European Committee to renew for another five years the Diploma awarded to Muddus National Park, Sweden.