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Releases of millions of salmon have been carried out for decades in the Baltic Sea. The releases compensate for lost natural reproduction due to power plant constructions in many rivers. They are considered necessary to maintain numbers of salmon in the Baltic. But scientists have warned about possible negative effects of releases on remaining native populations.

The Commission of the European Union has recently presented a proposal that includes phasing out of compensatory releases over a seven year period. What will be the effects of such a ban?

Welcome to seminar on February 9th at Stockholm University! Scientists, authorities, and NGOs will give their perspectives.

Key speakers include

Journalist and writer Isabella Lövin, member of the European Parliament
Professor Michael M. Hansen, Aarhus University, Denmark
Professor Marja-Liisa Koljonen, Finnish Game and Fisheries Research Institute, Finland
Lars Hedman, Bergforsen Salmon hatchery, Vattenfall
Gunnar Norén & Nils Höglund, Coalition Clean Baltic
Peter Funegård, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management
Professor Linda Laikre and Dr Anna Palmé, Stockholm University, Sweden

The seminar is FREE of charge

Lunch and coffee will be provided for the first 70 participants to register.

Possibilities for participating in an in depth workshop on February 10th that will provide advice to Baltic authorities regarding genetic effects of banning salmon releases exists.

For registration and questions contact Dr Anna Palmé (anna.palme@popgen.su.se)

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