Welcome at the Isle of Vilm

High Nature Value Farmland in Europe

Workshop at the
International Academy for Nature Conservation Isle of Vilm

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Organized by:
Participants from 18 European countries
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2. Impressions to the excursion region „Rügen“

3. Remark to high nature value farmland
The International Academy for Nature Conservation
Isle of Vilm (INA)
(founded 1990)

Geographical location of Vilm: marginal in Germany – but...

In Mecklenburg-Vorpommern
In the Baltic Sea
near Rügen
3 hours from Schwerin
4 hours from Berlin
4 hours from Hamburg
9 hours from Bonn
Central in Europe
Staff: about 58 people
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Rügen Island – Topography

161 m above sea level

Coast line: ca. 580km
Size: 962 km²
Rügen – Natural heritage: Chalk cliffs of Jasmund
Rügen –

Natural and Cultural Heritage

C. D. Friedrich,
Kreidefelsen auf Rügen
(1822)
Landscape history
Costal erosion and...
deposition
Rügen – Cultural heritage: megalithic monuments
National park

Vorpommersche Boddenlandschaft

total: 80.500 ha (15% land)

Rügen:
2.505 + 1.532 ha = 4.037 ha
National park Jasmund

2.430/600 ha = 3.030 ha
Biosphere reserve South-East Rügen

Insel Vilm
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Europe – a forest continent
Ancient history
Neolithicum and Megalithic culture

Expansion of Agriculture and Megalithic Culture in the Neolithic Period

- Ursprung
- >8,000 B.P.
- 8,000-7,000 B.P.
- 7,000-6,000 B.P.
- 6,000-5,000 B.P.
- < 5,000 B.P.

Distribution of Megalithic Culture
Ancient history
Megalithic monuments (South Sweden, Moen, Rügen)
Change to Cultural landscapes
Periods and times of landscape history

I) 7,000 Years of Natural Landscape since the Retreat of the Glaciers
II) 4,000 Years of Early Historical Cultural Landscape
III) 1,000 Years of Pre-industrial Cultural Landscape
IV) 100 Years of Industrial Cultural Landscape
V) 50 Years of Agri-industrial Production Area

Wende zur Nachhaltigkeit (?)
Thank you very much, and have a nice stay at Vilm