

Koli meeting December 2012

In the third week of December 2012 almost the complete BIOMOT team met in Koli, Finland, to finalize the research protocols of the different workpackages. Koli is located in a natural park, about 600 kilometres northeast of Helsinki, in North-Karelia, near the Russian border.



The surrounding landscape has inspired many writers and composers.



Location, period and organization collaborated to make the Koli meeting remarkably fruitful and indeed very pleasant. The early morning, late afternoon and early evening were devoted to work. The time between 11.00 and 13.30, the day light period, was used to walk and sometimes even eat outside, in the deep snow.



When we left Koli, BIOMOT had become a team, equipped with good ideas and methods to start up the research. That whole process of teambuilding and protocol definition hardly took a week. Remarkable.