

Here is a summary of the contents from the workshops:

1. **ViaBerna Overview:**

- **Project Initiation:** The Canton of Bern aimed to establish the ViaBerna as a multi-day trail meeting the European Ramblers Association's (ERA) Leading Quality Trail (LQT) standards.
- **Trail Details:** A 300 km route with 20 daily stages, featuring natural and cultural highlights from Bellelay to Susten Pass.
- **Certification:** Achieved LQT status with criteria like minimal paved paths, excellent signage, and accessibility.

2. **LQT-BE Day Walk:**

- **Concept:** A subcategory of LQT that covers shorter day hikes (4-25 km) designed for broad appeal and to incorporate cultural, scenic, and family-friendly experiences.
- **Training and Certification:** Structured processes involving expert training, field data collection, and application assessment.

3. **Accessibility of Walking in Private Areas:**

- **Focus on Dutch Paths:** Differentiation between public, semi-public, and private paths with legislative nuances, such as the Dutch Roads Act.
- **Challenges:** Issues with land access due to regulations and private ownership, leading to conflicts and opportunities for improved cooperation.

4. **Study on Digital Behavior of Hikers:**

- **Findings:** Digital tools are increasingly used for inspiration and navigation, but analog sources like maps and signposts remain significant.
- **Challenges:** Connectivity and data quality issues persist, influencing how hikers engage with digital media during hikes.

5. **Reducing Emissions in Mountain Huts:**

- **Objective:** Explore sustainable practices for mountain huts in Romania, focusing on minimizing carbon emissions.
- **Approach:** Emphasis on material analysis, energy-efficient equipment, and comprehensive data management for eco-friendly construction.

6. **E-Cross Pass Project:**

- **Cross-Border Initiative:** Enhancing hiking tourism between Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina by aligning trail infrastructure with ERA standards.
- **Outcomes:** Training for guides, trail marking, and cross-border cooperation to promote the E7 route.

7. **Improving Communication Outside Member Organizations:**

- **Insights:** ERA's strategy to strengthen its online presence through website and social media analytics.
- **Future Steps:** Initiatives to promote exchange and collaboration across different European hiking clubs.

8. **Exchange Among Members:**

- **Goal:** Foster partnerships and cross-country engagement to unify European hikers, including twinning initiatives and joint programs like Euro Rando.

9. **SLIDO Working Group:**

- **Activity Review:** SLIDO workshops aimed at fostering collaborative engagement within ERA, emphasizing workshops over traditional assemblies.

10. **E6 50th Anniversary (2025):**

- **Celebrations in Slovenia:** Planned hikes, cultural events, and the unveiling of a renewed E6 sign to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the E6 trail, promoting unity and heritage.

11. **E13 Black Sea Route Proposal:**

- **New Path Initiative:** Discussion on establishing the E13 path along the Black Sea, including Bulgaria, Romania, and potentially Turkey and Ukraine.

12. **Changes to E1 in Denmark and Sweden:**

- **Adjustments Needed:** Identified issues at Halmstad, Sweden, requiring rerouting, with a new western alternative proposed along Hærvejen.

13. **Hiker-Friendly Label for Baltic Trails:**

- **Certification:** A program aimed at enhancing services for hikers, ensuring providers meet specific criteria like luggage transfer and early check-ins. Managed by regional tourism associations in Latvia, Estonia, and Lithuania.