

WETNET PROJECT
Coordinated management and networking of Mediterranean wetlands

WP 2 - Communication

Activity 2.7 – External event report

Project Partner: Italian Centre for River Restoration (CIRF)

Date: August, 27th – 29th 2017

Deliverable 2.7.1 - Event Report

EUROPEAN RIVER RESTORATION LEARNING HUB EVENT

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1 Event Details

Title:

Delivering multiple benefits for both people and wildlife

Type:

Workshop

Date:

27-29/08/2017

Location:

Lyon (France)

Programme:

See link below and annex 1.

Link:

<http://www.ecrr.org/News-Events/News/ArtMID/15721/ArticleID/221>

Audience:

Agence de l'eau Rhône Méditerranée Corse (France), Environment Agency (UK), Italian Centre for River Restoration (Italy), REVIVO (Slovenia)

WetNet participation:

- Giancarlo Gusmaroli (Italian Centre for River Restoration)

2 Description of the Event

A 2 day workshop in Lyon, France 27th -29th August 2017 focussing on real life examples/projects were maximum outcomes were realised (or even those that failed!). Understanding the processes, risks and difficulties often associated with delivering large scale projects is also a key element of this learning hub. This event presented an opportunity for key officers to discuss in detail some of the challenges faced delivering projects, but each individual will feed back and share their learning with others in their respective countries, programmes and colleagues who are delivering similar work.

3 Relevance for the WetNet Project and the MED territory

During the two-day workshop a selection of real schemes has been visited and discussed with the involvement of local key actors, highlighting opportunities and risks embedded in the respective decision making and implementation processes:

- Hydromorphological restoration of the Ouveze (Ardèche Department, France)
- Urban river restoration of the Yzeron (Lyon, France)
- Longitudinal and lateral connectivity restoration of the Brevenne (Lyon, France)

EVENT REPORT:

http://www.ecrr.org/Portals/27/Newsletter%20ECRR%20December%202017_1.pdf

4 Concluding Remarks

Lesson learnt from these case studies ranges amongst the importance of inclusive governance and environmental monitoring as key issues for an effective application of river restoration paradigm, as well as openly dealing with uncertainty through both integrated assessment and incremental empirical approaches.

5 Photo Gallery



ANNEX 1 - Event Programme

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LYON, FRANCE 27TH-29TH August 2017

'delivering multiple benefits for both people and wildlife'

Aim: Share learning and experiences with others from across Europe, focussing on the application of delivering large scale projects that can deliver a wide range of benefits, such as natural flood risk management, ecological restoration and socio-economic value for our communities.

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Sharing: This will present an opportunity for key officers to discuss in detail some of the challenges faced delivering projects, but each individual will feed back and share their learning with others in their respective countries, programmes and colleagues who are delivering similar work. The learning from the workshop will also be shared with key National and European partners (RRC, ECRR), who themselves can use their extensive networks to disseminate the information

Draft Workshop timetable:

August 27th: Attendees arrive at Lyon, France (chosen for its central location and good transport links).

August 28th: 9am – 4.30pm - A day of presentations and an afternoon of breakout sessions to encourage open discussion. Each group will have a facilitator who will record and share the points discussed. There will be particular themes for each break out session (i.e. process, landowner/partner engagement, risk management, evidence and monitoring etc). We are looking for about 6-7 presentations (approx 20-30 mins each). Any innovative VT type presentations also welcomed

August 29th: 9-1pm – A site visit of the river Yzeron project near Lyon, which has delivered multiple benefits (flood protection, ecological, socio-economic benefits). A project delivered in an urban environment, with multiple constraints.

1pm Finish