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# International Network of Basin Organizations INBO



## Workshop on “River restoration and Natural Water Retention Measures”

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The network for best practices of  
river restoration in Greater Europe

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## Context and Objectives



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Workshop on 12 November 2014 in Bucharest during the EUROPE-INBO Conference

This workshop would aim to increase awareness of restoration and NWRM approaches, to highlight links with other directives and multiple benefits of such measures, and to work together on how to communicate on river restoration and NWRMs benefits and how to mobilise stakeholders who could be involved in project actual implementation.

Who:

River Basin planners, WFD people to meet some restoration and NWRM practitioners

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## Balance between plenary sessions and working groups

### Introductory session

- NWRM European Project
- ERR Conference outcomes
- RESTORE Project outcomes

**Working group** on 2 themes with introduction of questions to be addressed thanks to 2 case studies per theme

Group discussions organised around 4 questions (45')

### Conclusion session

- Presentations of conclusions of the split groups by the rapporteurs and overall discussion
- Conclusion

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## ■ Theme 1: How to integrate European directives and policies through river restoration measures and NWRMs



### Questions raised

Water bodies restoration can support the aims of several important European water related policies, and better integration of directives such as WFD, Flood D, Renewable Energy, habitat directives is needed so that measures can work together. NWRM can be one of them as it aims to integrate water resources management, reduction of flood risks and preservation and restoration of aquatic environment.

- *How can links and exchanges be created between sectors to better integrate the different policies?*
- *How to communicate to the river basin managers, policy makers, decision makers on various benefits of river restoration approaches and NWRMs?*
- *How to mobilize and convince partners of other sectors to take part in a restoration project and NWRMs?*
- *For better integration, at what scale is it needed to work and why? What tools are available in your country that made the restoration measures possible?*



## Theme 2: Better engagement with Local communities in ecosystem restoration projects



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### Questions raised

River restoration projects can bring changes to the local people, their environment and activities, therefore the implementation of restoration project relies on good communication and local communities involvement. It is needed to share ways to work better with local stakeholders, local decision makers, local authorities, general public, to raise awareness about ecosystem services brought by restoring and maintaining aquatic environment and to promote education programs.

- *How to convince and mobilize elected people for river restoration and NWRMs projects?*
- *How to communicate on what river restoration and NWRMs are for and what they can achieve?*
- *How to work with local communities? What tools are available in your country that made the restoration measures possible?*
- *How to mobilize financing for river restoration projects?*



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