



## SEMINAR "Ecological River Restoration in South European Countries"

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### INTRODUCTION

The European Centre for River Restoration (ECRR) is an European network whose mission is to enhance and promote river restoration and sustainable river management throughout Europe, disseminating river restoration information and fostering the establishment of national river restoration networks in as many European countries as possible.



The ECRR organizes the seminar "Ecological River Restoration in South European Countries", that will take place in Madrid, Spain, on 13-14 November 2008.



The event will focus on river basin management and river restoration experiences carried out in Mediterranean Rivers, in order to share knowledge and concepts, approaches, methods and strategies on river restoration and to foster networking associating subjects working in river restoration within the frame of ECRR.



Restoring Mediterranean rivers is different from other rivers, as deals with specific problems. Among these,

contrasting flow regimes, with summer drought and extreme floods in fall and winter, and a great water demand for irrigation, are the most remarkable.

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## DRAFT PROGRAMME

<b>Day 1 – Friday 14 November 2008: Seminar</b>	
9.00	Reception
9.15	Welcome & Opening by <b>Marta Moren</b> , Water General Director, Spanish Ministry of Agriculture & Environment
9.30	Overview of ECRR, <b>Bart Fokkens</b> , Rijkswaterstaat – National Centre for Water Management, The Netherlands
10.00	Spanish Strategy for River Restoration <b>Jesus Yague</b> , Spanish Ministry of Agriculture & Environment
10.30	Case studies from Andalucia by <b>Javier Serrano</b> : Conferación Hidrográfica del Guadalquivir: "River restoration on the river Guadama"
11.00	Coffee break
11.30	Case study in Portugal: different approaches for different problems by <b>Rui Cortes</b> Tras os Montes e Alto Douro University
12.00	A Plan for renovating the lower <b>Reno river</b> (Emilia Romagna, Italy) by <b>Andrea Nardini</b> CIRF
12.30	Case studies from Catalunya by <b>Joan Verdú</b> : "River restoration projects at rivers Llobregat and Tordera"
13.00	Presentation by <b>Lidia Arenillas</b> Confederación Hidrografica del Tajo: "Dam removal in river Manzanares– facts and conclusions for river restoration concepts"
13.30	Lunch
15.00	Watershed Management and river restoration in Mexico. Case study from river Ayuquila by <b>Luis Manuel Martínez</b> , Guadalajara University.
15.30	Case study from Navarra by <b>Josu Elso</b> . Remeandering River Arga: "Restoration practice in Ebro River Basin - LIFE Project"
16.00	Discussion about further international cooperation in river restoration and the role of ECRR in this
16.15	Conclusion of the Seminar
16.30	Constitutional Meeting of the Iberian Center for River Restoration
18.30	Departure for the field trip to Arga
<b>Day 2 – Saturday 15 Novembre 2008: Field Trip</b>	
8.30 - 20.00	Excursion to restoration sites at River Arga (Navarra)
20.00	Arrival in Madrid from the Field Trip

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## PRESENTATIONS

Presentations available on request; [info@ecrr.org](mailto:info@ecrr.org)

- **Bart Fokkens** - Rijskwaterstaat – National Centre for Water Management, The Netherlands
- **Jesus Yague** - Spanish Ministry of Agriculture & Environment
- **Andrea Nardini** - Italian Centre for River Restoration
- **Joan Verdù** - Agència Catalana de l'Aigua
- **Lidia Arenillas** - Confederación Hidrografica del Tajo
- **Luis Manuel Martínez** - Guadalajara University
- **Josu Elso** - Navarra Governement

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