



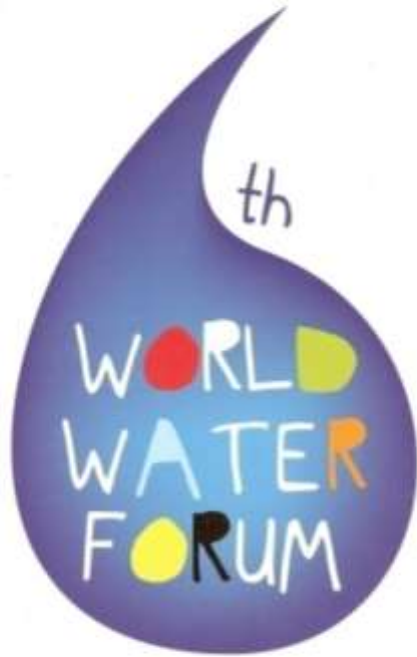
Green Infrastructure Solutions to European River Basin Management Challenges

Launch of River Basin Community of Practice

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TIME FOR SOLUTIONS

FORGING TARGETS AND SOLUTIONS FOR RIVERS AND WATER ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION



ECRR

TARGET GROUP COORDINATOR

Specific Europe Region Priority Target (SERPT) 9

Develop new knowledge and know how on river hydro-morphology, river restoration and protection of water eco-systems.

Group:

- **ECRR** ecological restoration
- **EWA** water quality
- **ONEMA** river basin management
- **WI** wetland restoration



PREPARATORY SEMINAR LJUBLJANA NOVEMBER 2011



*125 participants
25 countries*

EUROPEAN TARGET 9

2012 – 2015 At least 3 river basin plans include best practice (ecological, hydro-morphological, socio-economical) river restoration measures and strategic land use and land banking plans.



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EUROPEAN TARGET 9

2012 - 2015 Delivered X field visits, study tours, seminars and conferences for communication and information on new knowledge, know how and capacity development.



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**RIVER RESTORATION BEST PRACTICES,
KNOWLEDGE SHARED, INFORMATION
DISSEMINATED BY 5 BASINS:**

Rhône basin

Arpa basin

Órbigo basin

Irpin basin

Irwell basin

France

Armenia

Spain

Ukraine

England



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PURPOSE CoP

- Facilitate basin planning including RR plans**
- Involved stakeholder (partner) organisations will support the river restoration plans / project developments**
- CoP will disseminate gained knowledge and experiences with liked minded basins**
- Workshops, fieldtrips, training, communication, promotion**
- Reporting at WWF7 in Korea 2015?**



CoP RIVERS, PARTNERS & SECRETARY

- River Arpa Armenia
- River Irpen Ukraine
- River Irwell England
- River Órbigo Spain
- River Rhône France
- DLG Land and Water Management Netherlands
- Wetlands Netherlands
- ECRR Netherlands



ECRR: The network for best practices of river restoration in Greater Europe