***XIV International Scientific & Practical Symposium***

***on the Implementation of the Water Strategy of the Russian Federation up to 2050***

*April 18 - 20, 2017 – Ekaterinburg (Russia)*

**Workshop**

**FROM CLEAN WATERS TO HEALTHY ECOSYSTEMS: CHALLENGES AND BENEFITS IN RESTORING RIVERS**

*April 18, 14.00 – 16.00 hours*

**Venue:**

IEC “Ekaterinburg-Expo”, the Expo Boulevard 2, Ekateriburg.

**Organisers:**

* European Centre for River Restoration (ECRR, Netherlands)
* Russian Research Institute for Integrated Water Management and Protection (RosNIIVH, Russia).

**Reporters:**

* TBA

**Expected outcomes:**

* shared impression of the current river restoration state of art in Europe and Russia;
* common view on key features of river restoration approach;
* acknowledgment of drivers and constraints for fostering river restoration across Greater Europe with a focus on Russia.

**Expected outputs:**

A report of the workshop will be produces and published in the ECRR newsletter and other media.

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

**Chairs:** *Nadezhda Prokhorova (RosNIIVH, Russia) & Bart Fokkens (ECRR, Netherlands)*

**14.00 - 14.10 Opening (10’)**

RosNIIVH and ECRR: mutual inspiration and cooperation!

*Nadezhda Prokhorova (RosNIIVH, Russia)*

**14.10 - 15.10 Presentations (60’)**

Transboundary river restoration and research programs between Russia and Finland (15’)

*Jukka Jormola (SYKE, Finland)*

River restoration challenges and showcases in Russia (15’)

*Timur Pavluk (RosNIIVH, Russia)*

River restoration challenges and showcases in Europe (15’)

*Giancarlo Gusmaroli (CIRF, Italy).*

Video about dam removal and amelioration in France (20’)

Vezins and Poutin dams; Two outstanding projects restoring ecological continuity.

**15.10 - 15.40 Round table (30’)**

Topic #1 - key features of river restoration approach

*Bart Fokkens (ECRR, Netherlands) & Nadezhda Prokhorova (RosNIIVH, Russia)*

Topic #2 - drivers and constraints for fostering river restoration across Greater Europe with focus on Russia

*Giancarlo Gusmaroli (CIRF, Italy) & Timur Pavluk (RosNIIVH, Russia)*

**15.50 - 16.00 Closing (15’)**

Creating Partnerships in river restoration (10’)

*Bart Fokkens (ECRR, Netherlands)*

Conclusions and recommendations (10’)

*Nadezhda Prokhorova (RosNIIVH, Russia)*