

NEW RESTORE WORKSHOP AND SITE VISIT REPORTS

RESTORE workshop reports and presentations from last year's events are now available to download from the [RRC website](#), including:

- Removal of Water Level Management Structures and River Restoration Field Visit, France
- Improving Morphology and Fish Passage in High Energy Rivers Workshop, Scotland
- Linking Wetlands, Floodplains and River Restoration Workshop, Denmark
- River Restoration Sharing Best Practice Workshop, England
- Incorporating River Restoration into Spatial Planning Workshop, Netherlands



The RRC is a lead organisation for the [EU LIFE+ RESTORE project](#) which encourages *the communication of sustainable river restoration best practice across Europe*.

Book now: [5th European River Restoration Conference & RESTORE final conference](#) in Vienna in September 2013 which aims to celebrate successes and address challenges.



RRC ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 30TH APRIL TO 1ST MAY

225 delegates have booked for the RRC Annual Network Conference at Whittlebury Hall Hotel & Spa. Don't delay, book your place now and be amongst the audience over the two day event.

Dr Paul Leinster, Chief Executive of the Environment Agency has been confirmed as the Keynote Speaker. The programme, booking form and information on the workshops and site visits is available [online](#).



The RRC would like to thank the sponsors of the RRC Annual Network Conference 2013 who support discounted places.



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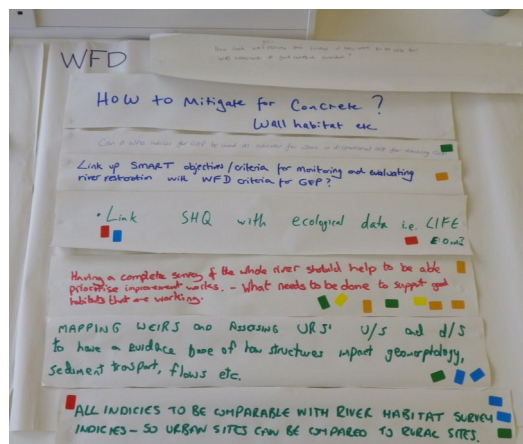


URBAN RIVER SURVEY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

An Urban River Survey (URS) development workshop was held in 2012 aimed. This aimed to identify how to enhance this scientific assessment method and suite of tools that supports the work of river managers in urban environments.

Attendees included representatives from wildlife and river trusts, local authorities, the Environment Agency, universities and the private sector. A [report](#) précisés discussions on topics including the Water Framework Directive, River Restoration and Ecosystem Services.

News of the 2013 URS training course dates will be announced shortly through the RRC Bulletin. For more information, visit the [URS website](#) directly.



MEET THE STAFF: LAURA MUÑOZ PUELLES

My interest in fluvial restoration brought me into the RRC in February 2012 as an Erasmus placement scholar. During my placement I was involved in a number of activities associated with research projects on river restoration science. Following my MSc graduation in Environmental Sciences in July 2012, I worked for the Cranfield Water Science Institute to assist with a scoping project that investigated the ecological status of the Upper Lea river corridor in order to develop a river restoration plan.

In October 2012 I joined the RRC as Information Assistant to help develop the NRRI resource, and the RESTORE River Wiki. After work I change my wellies for a pair of tap dancing shoes. In the future I plan to undertake a PhD in freshwater and river ecosystem ecology. I am keen to improve knowledge on how interactions between ecological processes and varying hydrologic and geomorphic processes in rivers affects river ecosystem integrity and function.



REWARDING RIVER HEROES

This year the International RiverFoundation is introducing the inaugural European Riverprize to celebrate and reward successful approaches to river basin management ([press release](#)).

Any organisation involved in river, wetland, lake, or estuary restoration or protection is welcome to apply. Read the relevant guidelines ([European prize](#) or [International prize](#)) and the [terms and conditions](#) before submitting your application. The deadline for applicants is the 29th March 2013.

A [fact sheet](#) includes information on the criteria, eligibility and the Riverprize's twinning programme.

DATA PROTECTION EMAIL CORRECTION: RRC IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATION

A data protection email sent out by RRC on the 17th January stated that RRC is a non-profit-making organisation, however it should have stated "RRC is a *not-for-profit organisation* which aims to offer impartial advice to enable practitioners and clients, to gain maximum benefit from current experiences in a variety of easily accessible ways. The RRC is not a project design or management consultancy".

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