

WORKSHOP

“Great European Dynamic Rivers and the Free Space for Rivers concept”.

The workshop's goals are to enable French and European participants who work on major rivers to share their experiences of the rivers dynamics management and their approach to the “free space for river” concept. Through presentations of projects and field trips, participants will be able to exchange on this concept and its application.

Presentations will be done in French, some in English.

When/Where? : October 22 – 23, 2009 in Moulins (03000), Allier county, France.

Provisional program

22nd of October 2009

Loire basin and others French basins,

At Châtel de Neuvre in the Allier Natural Conservancy office

Morning

9:30 am : Opening of the European workshop

Overview of fluvial dynamics and the “Free space for Rivers” concept. (JR Malvoit, French National Agency for Water and Aquatic Ecosystems, ONEMA).

Discussion and questions.

Experiences on the Loire basin :

- The “Free space for Rivers” concept in the global management program “Plan Loire grandeur nature” (FCEN).
- Case study on the Allier River - the associated work of researchers and natural area managers (Jean-Luc Peiry and Johannes Steiger of Géolab, University of Clermont Ferrand).

Afternoon

2:00 pm : Field trip on the banks of the Allier River and overview of the Loire Nature program (Auvergne natural areas Conservancy) and the actions in the Allier Natural Reserve.

4:30 pm : return to the centre to discuss about different basins :

- The application of the “Free space for Rivers” easement on the Adour River (Frederic Ré, Adour Institute).
- Definition of the mobility area on the Moselle River (Delphine Jung, Lorraine natural areas Conservancy).
- Rehabilitation of the old courses of the Rhône (JP Bravard, University of Lyon 2).

Evening: Regional dinner

2nd day - 22nd of October 2009

European projects

At Moulins in the Kyriad hotel

Morning

9:00 am Presentation of European projects and study cases:

- The Magra River project, application of the “Free space for river” concept (University of Florence, Italy)
- The Ebre river and majors tributaries, approach of the “Free space for river” concept (University of Saragossa, Spain)
- Other examples of water courses in Europe.

11:00 am Discussion on the expectations and follow-up in terms of experience exchange and networking.

Afternoon

1:30 pm Field trip to the Loire River

5:00 pm Return to Moulins, end of the workshop.

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