

What?

The RiverRes Group was created in March 2015 with the aim to address the current policy challenges like water quality, biodiversity loss, water quantity problems, and vulnerability to extreme events by seeing them as opportunities for innovation through river restoration.

Why?

River restoration is an example of nature based solutions that can increase the effectiveness of EU directives and policy implementation*.

* The current challenge -as identified in a number of documents like the EU Blueprint, the Biodiversity Strategy 2020, Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, Water Scarcity & Drought Policy, etc. Is implementation and innovation.

Works 3 lines of action

DSS Tools - CBA/CEA Leader IMDEA Water

Monitoring of River Restoration Leader Water@Leeds

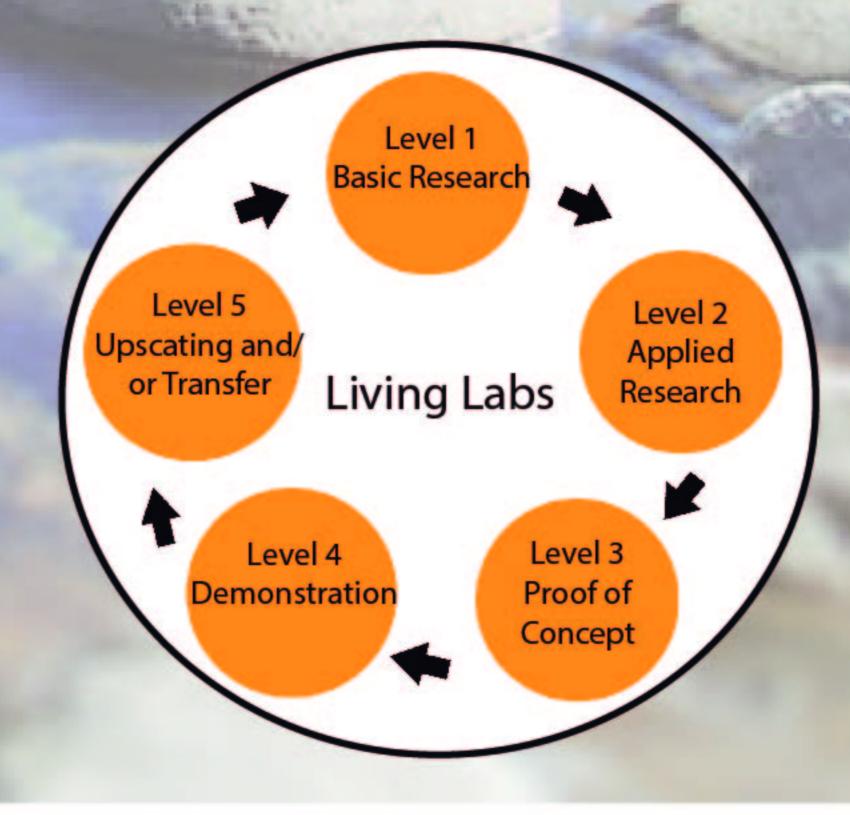
> Public Participation Lead by CIRF

How?

The RiverRes EIP Water Action Group has 4 main objectives:

- 1.To develop tools to help identify and assess the cost and benefits of river restoration projects.
- 2.To develop tools for the monitoring of restoration measures, to help assess their effectiveness in terms of improving the status of water bodies.
- 3. To act as a think tank regarding public participation and communication in river restoration.
- 4. To test and demonstrate these Tools, in Specific River restoration projects in demonstration sites the RiverRes Living Labs located in different European countries under the management of different partners already part of an existing Community of Practice (CoP) on river restoration

Aims to test the tools in Living Labs (led by REVIVO):



Hopes

expectations

FOR THE RIVER RES GROUP FROM OUR MEMBERS:

"Potential for interacting in the type of approach, and impact in the level of river restoration: a vision"

Johannes (FutureWater)

"Learn from different experiences, the plus and minuses of restoration, which worked and why and why not, wisdom sharing. In particular also learn about longitudinal connectivity, we miss the process of reconnecting up and downstream" Kinga (Univ. of Lodz, ERCE, Poland)

"Opportunity for all of us to build on what we have, strengthen and build on it. Some good concrete future projects, helps us to improve the attitude and behaviours in daily lives, good approach and ideas towards a more natural approach"

Mateja Softic (Slovenian Native Fish Society, Slovenia)

"Ideas to share, where we would send the proposals and to whom"

Michael Hoffmann (NAAN), Ukraine)

"Work with EU colleagues and understand the practical reality of river restoration"

Vicky Hirst, University of Leeds, (UK)

"Start networking and exchanging experiences, backgrounds and foster application to EU funds"

Giancarlo Gusmaroli (CIRF, Italy)

Who?

Made up by 30 members, encompassing public authorities, NGOs, SMEs, international organisations, regional authorities etc the group is led by the Duero Water Authority supported by ICATALIST, a Spanish start up.

We have benefitted from the support of the EIP Water Secretariat and EIP Water Eastern Europe Desk to make sure we encompass the whole of the EU.

Partners have opted to join different action lines lead by different partners. The CBA Action line is led by IMDEA Water (Spain), the monitoring line is led by water@leeds (UK), the public participation action line is led by CIRF (Italy) and the Living Labs line is led by the Community of Practice on river restoration (rotating currently under Slovenia).

MAINSTREAMING RIVER RESTORATION

River Restoration Benefits



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