



3rd Announcement

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION – DEADLINE EXTENDED

REGISTRATION OPENS 23 JANUARY

International Conference on River and Stream Restoration “Novel Approaches to Assess and Rehabilitate Modified Rivers”

30 JUNE – 2 JULY 2015

Wageningen, The Netherlands

Dear colleagues,

This 3rd announcement gives you the following new information about the conference

- The deadline for abstract submission to the International Conference on Novel Approaches to Assess and Rehabilitate Modified Rivers has been extended **to 31 January**.
- The registration will be open from **January 23** onwards
- 8 excellent colleagues have accepted our invitation to present a keynote during the conference
- The conference will be preceded by a summer school for young scientists and Ph.D. students

The conference is organised by the [FP7 project REFORM](#) (REstoring rivers FOR effective catchment Management) and it will take place in Wageningen, The Netherlands, on 30 June to 2 July 2015. We aim for a conference with 200 participants allowing an excellent exchange of experiences and get-to-know each other.

Conference website: <http://reformrivers.eu/events/final-conference>





Venue for the conference is the Hof van Wageningen situated in the center of Wageningen and easily accessible by public transport (<http://www.hofvanwageningen.nl/>).

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Important dates

Description	Date
Registration open	23 January 2015
Deadline for abstract submission	31 January 2015
Notification of abstract acceptance	25 February 2015
Submission of extended summaries	20 March 2015
Summer school	27 – 29 June 2015
Symposium	30 June – 2 July 2015

Conference objectives

The purpose of the Conference is to enlarge awareness of the need and appreciation for the benefits of river rehabilitation. It will serve as a platform to present and discuss aspirations, challenges, analytical frameworks and novel approaches to improve our understanding of the causes and consequences of hydromorphological degradation and to enhance river rehabilitation.

Topics at the Conference include:

- I. Assessment and rehabilitation of hydromorphological processes in rivers
- II. Discerning the impact of hydromorphological modification from other stressors
- III. Achievements by restoration and mitigation practices
- IV. How to improve the (cost-)effectiveness of river rehabilitation?
- V. Benefits of river rehabilitation and synergies with other uses (flood protection, navigation, agriculture, hydropower)
- VI. Linking science to practice: tools to assess river status and guide rehabilitation to optimize river basin management

Programme

The following invited **keynote speakers** will feature in the conference programme:

- [Prof. Gary Brierley](#) (Professor of Physical Geography, University of Auckland, New Zealand)
- [Prof. Stan Gregory](#) (Professor of Fisheries, Oregon State University, USA)
- [Prof. Phoebe Koundouri](#) (Associate Professor of International and European Economic Studies, Athens University of Economics and Business, Greece)
- [Dr Hervé Piégay](#) (Geographer, Research Director at the National Center for Scientific Research CNRS, France)
- Dr Peter Pollard (Principal Policy Officer at Scottish Environmental Protection Agency, UK)
- [Dr Phil Roni](#) (Watershed Program Manager, NOAA Fisheries, USA)
- [Prof. Klement Tockner](#) (Director of IGB, Germany)
- [Dr Guy Woodward](#) (Reader in Ecology, Imperial College London, UK)

Key-note speakers from the REFORM project

- [Prof. Roy Brouwer](#) (Institute for Environmental Studies, the Netherlands)
- [Dr Tom Buijse](#) (Deltares, the Netherlands)
- [Prof. Ian Cowx](#) (University of HULL, UK)
- [Prof. Angela Gurnell](#) (Queen Mary University of London, UK)
- [Dr Nikolai Friberg](#) (NIVA, Norway)
- [Prof. Daniel Hering](#) (UDE, Germany)
- [Dr Erik Mosselman](#) (Deltares, Netherlands)
- [Dr Christian Wolter](#) (IGB, Germany)

The three-day programme will encompass 2,5 days of presentations with ample breaks to interact and socialize followed by half a day excursion to experience the materialization of Room for the Rivers project along the River Rhine.

Summer school

The conference will be preceded by a **summer school** for young scientists and Ph.D. students. The summer school will be three consecutive days starting Saturday June 27 up to Monday June 29. The maximum number of participants is 30. For further details and registration please consult the website.



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Excursion

The excursion will visit different Room for the River projects. The Rhine and its floodplains will be experienced by walks through projects which differ by their focus being flood protection, urban development or river-floodplain restoration. This is followed by a boat trip on the River Rhine with a traditional Dutch pancake dinner. Additional fee to participate in the excursion is 50 EUR.



Fees

We have kept the fees as low as possible and will not make any financial profit from the conference. Also the hotels have offered very competitive and special rates for accommodation.

- Regular fee rates are: 220 EUR
- Student fee rate: 120 EUR

Further details are available on the website when the registration opens (23 January 2015).

Call for Abstracts

If you are interested in giving a presentation (oral/poster) then please submit your abstract before 31 January 2015. Follow the instruction on our webpage "[registration and call for abstracts](#)". Selected abstracts will be asked to submit an extended version which will appear in the conference proceedings. You will be invited to express interest in a full publication for a scientific journal noting the manuscript submission deadline will be immediately following the conference.

Contact

For more information please [contact us](#) at the Conference Secretariat.

View the REFORM Results

Meanwhile we invite you to explore our results. All completed deliverables of REFORM are available online: <http://reformrivers.eu/results/deliverables>

Results are also made available in condensed and categorized form through the WIKI:
<http://wiki.reformrivers.eu>

Conference Scientific Committee

Tom Buijse	Deltares, the Netherlands
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Massimo Rinaldi	Università di Firenze, Italy
Roy Brouwer	Institute for Environmental Studies, Free University Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Surroundings

Wageningen is a 750 year-old historic town in the central Netherlands and famous for its university, which specializes in life sciences and hosts thousands of students from over 150 countries. The lively town is situated on the banks of one the River Rhine branches and bordered to the north by the largest forest in the Netherlands.

(Apologies for cross-posting)

