

EUROPEAN RIVERPRIZE ANNOUNCED

The International RiverFoundation has announced a European Riverprize for 2013 to mark the UNESCO International Year for Cooperation in Water. In partnership with the International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR), the International RiverFoundation (IRF) will establish a European Riverprize – open specifically for those engaged in the sustainable management of Europe’s waterways.

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RRC ANNUAL CONFERENCE - BOOKINGS CLOSE SOON

Bookings for the River Restoration Centre (RRC) Annual Network Conference on the 19th April, the EU LIFE+ RESTORE project workshop on the 20th April and a site visit to Croxall Lakes on the River Trent on the 21st April must be received by **Thursday the 5th April**.

The programme, booking form and information for all three days in addition to the menu for the conference dinner on the 19th April is [available online](#).



RIVER RESTORATION CENTRE NEWS



Joanne Evason (RRC Accounts Technician) has recently left the Centre, to start her own business. The RRC would like to thank Jo for her hard work and commitment to the cause over the last six years, and we wish her all the best for the future.

In other news:

- Robert Clapham has been working for the RRC with the Environment Agency on the River Great Ouse; and
- Laura Munoz-Puelles from Spain, has been working with the RRC on a short-term ERASMUS placement.

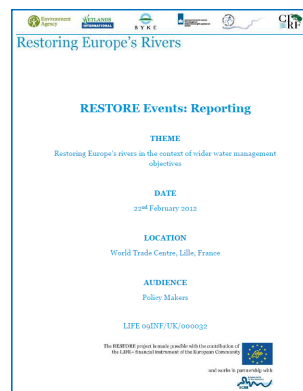
EU LIFE+ RESTORE PROJECT UPDATE

PRESENTATIONS AND RECENT OUTPUTS

Nick Elbourne (RRC) presented the aims & outputs of RESTORE at [CIWEM's Annual Conference](#) on 21st March. The report for the 'Restoring Europe's Rivers' workshop in February in Lille has now been published on [RRC's website](#). Click on the thumbnail (right) to open this.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Project Monitoring & Sharing Good Practice in River Restoration (Nottingham, in conjunction with RRC conference) 20-21 April 2012



The River Restoration Centre is the West Region lead organisation for the [EU LIFE+ RESTORE Information and Communication project](#) (2010-2013) which encourages the communication of sustainable river restoration best practice across Europe.



MEET THE STAFF: DI HAMMOND

I have over 20 years experience in catchment hydrology and in more recent years, hydroecology, working first for the Environment Agency and its predecessors and then at an environment consultancy, joining the River Restoration Centre in April 2009. My first degree was in Geology (BSc), I then did a part-time MSc in Earth Sciences and the Environment at Kingston Polytechnic (as it was then), then a part time PhD in Hydro-ecology at the University of Middlesex.

I have been working at the RRC for the last three years as Senior Projects Advisor. I spend the majority of my time carrying out advisory work, looking at the potential for river restoration options. This has taken me to rivers all over the UK. I also recently ran a spatial planning workshop in Arnhem (Netherlands) as part of the RESTORE project that the RRC is working on. Outside of work I am a keen gardener and am trying to teach myself to play keyboard.



RRC was saddened to hear about the recent death of Simon James (formerly of Royal Haskoning and RPS, who had just started his own venture, Hydrobiologic). He was a good friend to many at RRC as he spent time at Cranfield University and he was a regular attendee at RRC events.

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Itchen Navigation Conference, Shawford - 20th April

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