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# **Executive Summary**

The deliverable 6.7 includes the reports from two RECONECT national workshops, held respectively in the Demonstrators of Spain and in Austria and organized in the first half of the project. The deliverable makes reference also to the RECONECT web site session where the on-line proceedings of each workshop are included and are publicly available. In addition, the deliverable introduces the reasons, mainly due to COVID-19 pandemic, why the organization of the National Workshops didn't respect the original schedule and offer a tentative time schedule for the remaining half of the project.

In annex, the deliverable reports also about the material and the guidelines made available to Demonstrators and Collaborators to support the organization of National Workshops and to properly report their outcomes.

RECONECT workshops are not to be considered just as a "RECONECT information corner", but they want to represent a robust contribution to upscaling and exploitation strategies. The RECONET national workshops aim to drive the target audience towards a change in their mindset and to build a new culture of land planning and risk mitigation. National workshops are organized in Demonstrators and EU Collaborators, with the aim to enforce the stakeholder's engagement at regional/national level and to increase their awareness on NbS potential and applicability. This deliverable report about the main outcomes of National Workshops offering an overview of general knowledge and NbS culture around different countries, hence contributing to streamline project activities.

The present deliverable is, on the one side, addressed to an internal audience (RECONECT Consortium and RECONECT Demonstrator and Collaborator clusters) in order to get feedback and share outcomes from the organized National Workshops and to assess the general knowledge around NbS and the replication and upscaling potential. Outcomes from the workshops can be used by the partners also to inspire key messages addressed to specific categories of target audience.

On the other side, reports and on-line proceedings are open to a wide public, addressed in particular to regional and national governments, practitioners and scientific community, representing an important repository of reflections and considerations on a different approach to risk mitigation and climate change adaptation.

The deliverable 6.7 is the first of a series of 3 deliverables. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions the majority of national workshops foreseen in the period weren't organized, hence the contents of this deliverable are littler than originally planned. A more comprehensive idea of the overall key findings and lessons learned from National Workshops can be included in future Del 6.13 and D 6.14 of the on-line proceedings. In any case, main consideration that can be done at this stage is that National Workshops are fundamental for a deep analysis of local and national perception and knowledge of NbS and for addressing and streamlining future project activities and outputs in order to maximize impacts.

Two are the main recommendations. They derive from the discussions held in the two organized workshop in Spain and in Austria. The first is that the implementation of NbS must be supported, at first, by policies that push and prioritize them; the second is that any institution willing to invest on NbS implementation must also to enforce the sense of security of population toward this kind of intervention.

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# 1 Introduction

#### 1 Scope of this deliverable

The Deliverable 6.7 is the first of a series of public deliverables collecting on-line proceedings from RECONECT National Workshops. Other versions are the Deliverable D6.13, expected to be issued in month 48, and deliverable D6.14 expected at the project end (month 71).

This series of deliverables is composed of two parts:

- 1) a document, including a plan and the detailed reports of the workshops and
- 2) an online session, available at <a href="www.reconect.eu/national-workshops">www.reconect.eu/national-workshops</a>, including a rough description of the workshop objectives and the proceedings in a digital format.

The present deliverable D6.7 has the purpose to collect into a single document and harmonise the outcomes from two RECONECT National Workshops respectively held in Spain (Tordera River Basin, Demo A) and in Austria (Inn River Basin, Demo B).

According to the RECONECT Communication & Dissemination Strategy and Plan (D6.1 and D6.9), a series of national workshops are to be organized along the project in Demonstrators and EU Collaborators, with the aim to enforce the stakeholder's engagement at regional/national level and to increase their awareness on NbS potential and applicability. A specific task under WP6 (Task 6.6), leaded by GISIG, is dedicated to manage the organization of these workshops. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, it was possible to organize only 2 workshops out of the 8-10 foreseen by the end of the third project year (August 2021); in fact, RECONECT Consortium decided not to turn soon the workshops organization into virtual events since it strongly believes that stakeholders' engagement is better performed if carried out in face-to-face events. Hence, this deliverable is aimed to define also a strategy and a plan to re-schedule the Task 6.6 activities, taking also into consideration the 1-year project extension (new project end is August 2024) and the evolution of the pandemic and related rules at EU level.

The D6.7 wants also to show how the organization of the workshops is supported by guidelines and instructions (Annex A) to ensure that scope, target audience and follow up are properly achieved. In fact, National RECONECT workshops are not to be considered just as a "RECONECT information corner", but they want to represent a robust contribution to upscaling and exploitation strategies.

Based on sound scientific data and examples from each demonstrator and collaborator, the RECONET national workshops aim to drive the target audience towards a change in their mind-set and to build a new culture of land planning and risk mitigation. The use of a standard project identity and of branded dissemination material is also recommended, in order to create awareness around the RECONECT logo.

A final round table is expected to be organized at the end of each workshop in order to discuss about NbS perception by target audience, to identify drivers and barriers for the NbS implementation helping, in such a way, to better address future strategy and activities of RECONECT.

Along the 6 project years, 2 national workshops by each demonstrator and 1 national workshop by each EU collaborator are expected to be organized.

#### 2 Original plans for National Workshops organization

According to the Description of Activities (DoA) for Task 6.6, each demonstrator and collaborator cluster is requested to organize **national workshops**, in order to maximize dissemination and awareness, as well as to foster the adoption of RECONECT solutions and their up-scaling. Relevant **institutional and technical stakeholders** should be involved in these events. According to the implementation plan of WP6 – Task 6.6:

- Each **Demonstrator** cluster has to organize, along the project, **two workshops** at national level, one by February 2020 (M18) and one from February 2021 (M30) to August 2022 (M48).
- Each **EU Collaborator** cluster has to organize **one workshop**, starting from August 2020 (M24) to the project end.
- Joint workshops can be organized in countries having more than one Demo or Collaborator cluster (e.g. Denmark and France).

At the end of 2019, GISIG started to get in contact with each demonstrator in order to tentatively schedule their first workshop and to lay down a **first draft** of the calendar, and also to provide guidelines and instructions on how to draft the agenda, to disseminate and develop the event and to write the report.

A table was prepared and circulated, at first, to all Demonstrators in order to schedule their "First Workshop" from February 2020 onward (M18) and start with the organization, supported by GISIG.

Table 1: template for scheduling workshops in Demo A and B

Demonstrators	First Workshop (from M18)	Second Workshop (from M30)
DA1 Elbe Estuary (DE)		
DA2 & DB3 Odense and Aarhus (DK)		
DA3 Tordera River (ES)		
DA4 Portofino Park (IT)		
DB1 Ijjssel River (NL)		
DB2 Inn River (AT)		
DB4 Thur River (CH)		
DB5 & DB6 Var River and Les Boucholeurs (FR)		

Table 2: template for scheduling workshops in EU collaborators

Collaborators	Workshop (from M24)
EC1 Kamchia River (BG)	
EC2 Pilica River (PL)	
EC3 Bregana River (HR)	
EC4 & EC5 Drina and Koulbara River (SRB)	

#### 3 Recovery plans for National Workshops organization

With reference to what planned in the DoA and described above, the COVID-19 restrictions represented an obstacle to the smooth development of this activity (Task 6.6 of WP6) and to the timely organization of workshops both in Demonstrators and in Collaborators.

Therefore, RECONECT Consortium was reluctant, at least in a first stage, to turn into virtual events since coordinator and partners strongly supported the original idea of having face-to-face events, to favour contacts and interactions and the creation of a Local/National RECONECT community.

Considering the general health situation in Europe at the moment of writing, that is definitely improving, and the extension of 12 months in the project duration, a new attempt for re-scheduling National Workshops at first in Demonstrators was done.

A preliminary plan, to be agreed with partners and case by case, is to organize the first round of National Workshops in Demonstrators A and B (except for Tordera and Inn that already did) by August 2022 (month 48). Second round of National Workshops in Demonstrators and unique round of National Workshops in Collaborator is expected to be organized by Month 70 (June 2024, close the project end).

In the following table is a first re-scheduling/plan of the first round of workshops in Demonstrators, whilst workshops in Collaborators are under definition.

Table 3: new template to schedule workshops in Demonstrators and EU collaborators

Demonstrators	First workshop (by August 2022, end of Y4)	Second workshop (by project end)
DA1 Elbe Estuary (DE)	11th July 2022	
DA2 & DB3 Odense and AArhus (DK)	One single workshop lasting 2 days (plenary session + field trip) in February 2023	

DA3 Tordera River (SP)	Done in February 2020	
DA4 Portofino Park (IT)	15 June 2022, Turin	
DB1 Ijjssel River (NL)	14 June 2022	
DB2 Inn River (AT)	Done in September 2020	
DB4 Thur River (CH)	8 June 2022	
DB5 & DB6 Var River and Les Boucholeurs (FR)	Done in June 2021 within Simhydro conference in Nice (on line proceedings and report still pending)	

EU Collaborators	First workshop (Y5 and Y6)
EC1 Kamchia River (BG)	
EC2 Pilica River (PL)	
EC3 Bregana River (HR)	
EC4 & EC5 Drina and Koulbara River (SRB)	

# 2 Report of the RECONECT National Workshop in Tordera River Basin (Demo A), Spain

# **RECONECT Workshop of Tordera River Basin**

Arxiu Municipal de Malgrat de Mar. Carrer de Mar, 63, 08380 Malgrat de Mar. 19th of February 2020 (17:00 – 20:00 h)

#### Workshop rationale and outlines

The workshop was organized in collaboration with the REDAPTA project, aimed to create and enhance governance spaces for the adaptation of Mediterranean rivers to climate change. One of the participation forums the REDAPTA project was supporting was Taula de la Tordera, a forum where key stakeholders for Demonstrator A3 are represented.

The workshop was held in the aftermath of storm Gloria (from 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2020), that strongly hit the Tordera Delta causing millions of euros of damage. The purpose of the workshop was to present to key stakeholders the Flood Hazard Maps and Flood Risk Maps for the Tordera Delta, developed in application of the Floods Directive; as well as to present the NBS that was being developed in the context of the RECONECT project to reduce flood risk in the area. This was the first contact that ACA had with key stakeholders, that is the reason why the session was designed as an informative session to start the conversation with key stakeholders.

The workshop consisted in two presentations, by ACA staff members, followed by Q&A.

#### **Programme of the Workshop**

#### Flood Risk Management in the Tordera Delta

Time	Title of the speech, speaker				
17:00 – 17:15	Registration of participants				
17:15 – 17:30	Welcoming remarks Laia Gómez and Óliver Sánchez-Camacho from the Municipality of Malgrat de Mar				
17:30 – 18:00	Flood Hazard and Flood Risk Maps (MAPRI)  Sandra Ruiz Navarro, Head of the Department of River Area Planning and Development, Catalan Water Agency (ACA)				
18:00 – 18:30	The Tordera Levee Management Plan and the RECONECT project  Eva Crego Liz, Department of River Area Planning and Development, Catalan Water Agency (ACA)				
18:30 – 19:30	Q&A and Discussion				
19:30 – 20:00	Conclusions of the session and next steps				

# Monogràfic

#### Gestió del risc d'inundació al Delta I la Baixa Tordera

dimecres 19 de febrer 2020, de 17.00 a 20.00 Arxiu Municipal de Malgrat de Mar (Carrer de Mar, 63, 08380 Malgrat de Mar).

17.00 – 17.15	Registre participants
17.15 – 17.30	Benvinguda
	Laia Gómez i Óliver Sánchez-Camacho (Ajuntament de Malgrat de Mar)
17.30 – 18.00	Mapas de Perillositat i Risc d'Inundació MAPRI
	Sandra Ruiz Navarro, Cap del departament de Planificació i Ordenació de l'Espai
	Fluvial, Agència Catalana de l'Aigua
18.00 – 18.30	El nou pla de motes i el projecte RECONNECT
	Eva Crego, Tècnic Superior Esp. Àmbit Planificació Departament de Planificació i
	Ordenació de l'Espai Fluvial, Agència Catalana de l'Aigua
18.30 – 19.30	Debat facilitat amb els ponents
19.30 – 20.00	Conclusions i propers passos

Figure 1: The agenda of the workshop distributed to the participants

# List of participants

# (Transcription of the original list of participants - see Annex C)

N	Surname	Name	Company - Association	
1	Viladomiu	-	Campsite "El Pinar"	
2	Romero	Jordi	Campsite Association of the Tordera Delta	
3	Roca	Jordi	HYDS (RECONECT partner)	
4	Gómez	Laia	Municipality of Malgrat de Mar	
5	Sánchez	Anabel	CREAF (Research Group)	
6	Broekmann	Annelies	CREAF (Research Group)	
7	Poch	Santiago	-	
8	Riera	Enric	Volunteer. Energy consultant.	
9	Viñas	Joan	Tourverd S.L. (Campsite)	
10	Llort	Xavi	HYDS (RECONECT partner)	
11	Aubanell	Joaquim	Som Energia (Green Energy Cooperative)	
12	Giner de Pedro	Glòria	-	
13	Serret Ballart	Jofre	Municipality of Malgrat de Mar	
14	Viñolas Mollfulleda	Sònia	Municipality of Malgrat de Mar	
15	Hasko	Ludwig Ivan	Municipality of Malgrat de Mar	
16	Majó	Sergi	-	
17	Mateu Estopà	Carme	Municipality of Malgrat de Mar	
18	Freixa Ferrer	Aleix	Municipality of Palafolls	
19	Romera	Javier	-	
20	González	Ana	AGC Pharma Chemicals	
21	Pou Boada	Félix	-	
22	Pou Mas	Anna	Municipality of Tordera	
23	Torallas	Jordi	-	
24	Riba Mir	_	Conca de la Tordera. Progrés-Garbí (Agricultural producers)	
25	Ruiz	Ricard	ABM (Consultant)	
26	Castells	Xavier	Agrícola Progrés – Garbí (Agricultural producers)	
27	Martorell	Llorenç	Farmer	
28	Porta	Roger	Escola de Natura del Corredor. Escoles Verdes (Environmental Educator)	
29	Fenollosa	Artur	Municipality of Blanes	
30	Arias	Oriol	Farmer	
31	Maynou	Josep	-	
32	Roger	Ramir	Municipality of Malgrat de Mar	
33	Casajuana	Nuria	-	
34	Trincheria	Carolina	Blanes	
35	Gibert	M.Teresa	Malgrat de Mar	
36	Vall-llosada	Marina	Municipality of Blanes	
37	Crego Liz	Eva	ACA (Catalan Water Agency)	
38	Ruiz Navarro	Sandra	ACA (Catalan Water Agency)	

#### **Description of the Agenda**

#### **Welcoming remarks**

**Speakers:** Laia Gómez and Óliver Sánchez-Camacho (Municipality of Malgrat de Mar)

Two of the staff members of the Municipality of Malgrat de Mar, as hosts of the session, welcomed the participants. They briefly explained the history, objectives and organizations represented at "Taula de la Tordera", as a forum constituted to enhance governance in the Tordera Delta with regard to climate change adaptation. Afterwards, they introduced the topic of the Technical Sessions, giving the floor to the presenters from the Catalan Water Agency (ACA).

#### Technical session

#### Flood Hazard and Flood Risk Maps (MAPRI)

**Speaker:** Sandra Ruiz Navarro, Head of the Department of River Area Planning and Development, Catalan Water Agency (ACA)

The 3 different planning stages stablished by the Floods Directive (2007/60/EC) are presented:

- Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment (PFRA): Areas for which potential significant flood risks exist or might be considered likely to occur within the River Basin District of Catalonia are identified. The PFRA for the River Basin District of Catalonia, corresponding to the 2nd planning cycle of the Floods Directive, was approved in May 2019.
- Flood Hazard Maps and Flood Risk Maps (FHFRM): Flood Hazard and Flood Risk Maps are prepared for those areas identified in the PFRA. The FHFRM for the River Basin District of Catalonia, corresponding to the 2nd planning cycle of the Floods Directive, was open to public consultation (at the moment of the presentation).
- 3. Flood Risk Management Plan (FRMP): Flood risk management plans include different measures, with an associated budget, for achieving the flood risk reduction objectives established in the plan. The FRMP for the River Basin District of Catalonia, corresponding to the 1st planning cycle of the Floods Directive, was approved in March 2018. The Levee Management Plan for the Tordera River Basin was included in the FRMP as a measure to reduce flood risk in the Tordera Delta. Is in the context of the Levee Management Plan that the NBS for the Tordera Delta is being developed.

A brief analysis of the hydrological characteristics of storm Gloria, as well as a brief description of its consequences and how the hydraulic models were able to predict them, are provided to the audience. Lessons learned from storm Gloria are also reported.

Some of the key measures ACA will be developing and implementing to face this type of flooding events in the future, and to reduce the damage they might cause, will be:

 Maintenance and Conservation of the riverbed, by removing invasive vegetation that reduces the hydraulic capacity of the riverbed (always preserving the ecological status of the water body)

- Structural protection measures (where needed)
- Flood Early Warning Systems
- Nature Based Solutions
- Improving and enhancing the flood risk communication strategy

#### The Tordera Levee Management Plan and the RECONECT project

**Speaker:** Eva Crego Liz, Department of River Area Planning and Development, Catalan Water Agency (ACA)

The RECONECT project is introduced to the audience; its objectives, partners involved, as well as the different demonstrators participating in the project (including the Tordera River Basin)

The work done so far in the context of the feasibility study for the NBS, and the Levee Management Plan, it is also explained to the audience: the type of NBS analysed, their pros and cons with regard to flood risk reduction, etc.

The co-creation framework of RECONECT is also exposed, highlighting the relevance of key stakeholders in the definition of the final solution.

#### Q&A and Discussion

The discussion and debate among the participants is very lively and, at some points, heated, as the consequences and damages caused by storm Gloria are still very close in time. On the other hand, different stakeholders have very different expectations, perspectives and interests, with regard to the future development of the Tordera Delta. Some of the key point raised, are briefly described:

#### Environmentalists/ Environmental Organizations:

- They advocate for the environmental restoration of the Tordera Delta, removing/relocating any activity or occupation incompatible with the environmental protection and values of the Delta (ex. Campsites).
- They express disagreement with the emergency works that are being developed (to restore basic services, as water supply, that have been damaged by storm Gloria) as they contribute to the restoration of the previous situation (ex. consolidation of river banks in its previous location) and not to the environmental restoration of the river Delta (providing more room for the river).

#### Agricultural sector:

- They demand that ACA takes responsibility for the damage caused by the storm and the flooding of agricultural land, compensating farmers for the economic losses they have suffered (loss of crops, damage of the agricultural infrastructure, etc.).
- They demand that the riverbed should be dredged and the levees heightened, in order to increase the hydraulic capacity of the river reach.
- They want ACA to remove all the sediment that accumulated in their fields after the flooding.
- They are setting up an association of agricultural owners of the Tordera Delta, that they expect will help them to establish a more fluid and productive dialogue with public administrations, when it comes to express their needs and demands.

#### Campsite owners:

They have the feeling that everyone (environmentalists, farmers) wants them out
of the Delta, blaming them for all the problems the Tordera Delta is facing.

#### Catalan Water Agency (ACA):

- ACA explains that the NBS planned for the Tordera Delta aims to provide more room for the river and to restore the riparian area and its environmental values. With that objective, a strip of land close to the river (along both river banks) should be acquired and its owners should be compensated. A negotiation process between public administration and economic sectors should be initiated to promote land use changes in the Delta.
- ACA explains that the emergency works that are being developed are not incompatible with the NBS that it is planned to be implemented in the Tordera Delta in a few years. Right now, there is the need to restore some basic services that have been damaged by the storm, but in the future, the NBS project will take into account all the services affected and their relocation.
- ACA is not responsible for any damage and economic loss caused by flooding.
   The different economic activities located in flood prone areas, should take out an insurance against flooding.
- ACA explains that dredging the riverbed is not an option, as it goes against the guidelines established by the Water Framework Directive (200/60/EC).

#### **Conclusions**

- Many conflicting objectives, interests and perspectives that have to converge in order to reach a final solution for the Tordera Delta (everyone has to move from its original position, otherwise it will be very difficult to get to an agreement).
- It is suggested to create a "Map" of responsible authorities in the Delta, so citizens will be more informed and able to oversee what public administrations are doing or should be doing.
- More information about the natural processes of the river, about flood hazard and flood risk, etc. will help people to better understand why there are actions (as river dredging) that should not be undertaken in order to reduce flood risk (for being harmful and detrimental).
- Taula de la Tordera aims to be the forum that helps to convey the message of the Tordera Delta (as a single voice) to public administrations. However, more debate and discussion is needed to get to an agreement on the common vision for the Tordera Delta.

#### Target audience, event outcomes and follow-ups

The organization of national workshops, as defined in the grant agreement, aims to maximise dissemination and awareness, as well as to foster the adoption of RECONECT solutions and their up-scaling. With this purpose in mind, the workshop was held in the context of "Taula de la Tordera", to guarantee that key stakeholders, both institutional and from the civil society, will attend. Along the same line, the fact that the workshop was organized together with the REDAPTA project, in a similar joint effort as the ones that are being made between RECONECT and its sister projects, helped to contextualize the narrative and to reinforce the message. The REDAPTA project is a project that shares common objectives and views with RECONECT, being its pilot area also the Tordera Delta. So, as already stated, the joint effort between the two projects was considered to

help to amplify and to reinforce the message, raising more awareness among local stakeholders.

In this sense, the workshops can be considered a success as all key stakeholders where represented (municipalities, campsites, farmers, environmentalists, ACA).

The workshop was held right after the Tordera Delta was strongly hit by storm Gloria. The decision on the timing of the workshop was also made with the aim to build on the awareness and the concern about hydrometeorological risks raised among local stakeholders by the extreme flooding event. In this sense, as mentioned above, the attendance and participation in the workshop can be considered a success. However, the workshop arrived in an early phase of the project in which the details of the final solution were not defined yet, so the debate revolved around more general topics.

Nevertheless, the presentation and the following discussion, help us achieve some key objectives for the Tordera project:

- To introduce to the audience the concept of NBS and the type of solutions that were being analysed for the Tordera Delta
- To get a feel of the opinions, views, and interests of different key stakeholders
- To understand that the process of implementation will not be a linear one.

In this sense, and as exposed in previous sections, the debate was very lively and heated at times. It revealed that there are many conflicting perspectives and interests among stakeholders, and that it will take time an effort to get to a common vision for the Tordera Delta. As already stated, the process of implementation is not expected to be neither linear nor straightforward. Although this could be a matter of concern, it is also considered to be the normal process of implementation of a large-scale NBS, as different examples from demonstrators B in the RECONECT project have already shown.

Unfortunately, there was not any immediate follow-up on the initiated discussion, in part due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and also due to the fact that REDAPTA project was concluded, so it was more difficult to summon and boost the Taula de la Tordera. However, in the past months, different meetings (plenary and one-to-one meetings) with key stakeholders have been held to continue the discussion.

#### Social-media

https://twitter.com/Reivax\_Troll/status/1230188613708677121

#### On-line proceedings

http://www.reconect.eu/national-workshops/tordera-river/

28th October 2022

# 3 Report of the RECONECT National Workshop in Inn / Geroldsbach (Demo A), Austria

# The European project RECONECT in Austria

Götzens, Austria 16th September 2020

#### Workshop rationale and outlines

The workshop was organized by University Innsbruck as partner in Reconect responsible for Demonstrator B Inn / Geroldsbach in Austria. The purpose of this workshop was to inform the local community about the progress in RECONECT in Austria, to present first results regarding monitoring and modelling activities and to stimulate a discussion of local stakeholders regarding NBS performance.

The workshop was organized as a combination of presentations, discussions and a field visit.

Due to COVID-19 pandemic several limitations in the organization of such an event applied:

- Limitations of number of participants -> prior registration to the workshop was necessary to ensure limited number of participants and recording of contact details
- Requirement of 1,5m distance between participants -> Round table organized in form of a plenary discussion
- No circulation of pen and paper among participants -> no signatures at participant list, online survey

To reach the local community and local stakeholder the entire event was held in German. The event was able to attract a wide audience including the local community, professionals, scientists and politicians (mayor and municipal council).

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# **Programme**

Time	Title of the speech, speaker
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome, Manfred Kleidorfer
09:15 - 09:45	The EU Project Reconect, Manfred Kleidorfer (Uni Innsbruck)
09:45 – 10:15	The history of measures at Geroldsbach, Leopold Stepanek (Avalanche and torrent control Austria)
10:15 – 10:45	Break
10:45 - 11:30	Monitoring and Modelling at Geroldsbach. Stefan Achleitner (Uni Innsbruck)
11:30 – 12:00	Climate Change in Alpine regions, David Leidinger (BOKU Vienna)
12:00 – 13:30	Discussion, round table
13:13 – 16:00	Field visit and demonstration of monitoring site

#### **PROGRAMME**





Nationaler Workshop – EU Projekt RECONECT 16.09.2020, 9:00 – Götzens, Gemeindesaal

Sg. Damen und Herren,

Im Rahmen des EU Projekts RECONECT dürfen wir Sie herzlich zum 1. nationalen Workshop einladen. Dieser findet am 16. September, ab 9:00 im Gemeindezentrum Götzens statt (siehe Zeitplan unten).

Wir, die Universität Innsbruck, BFW und BOKU, befassen uns in dem EU Projekt mit Wildbacheinzugsgebieten und deren Abflussverhalten bei Starkniederschlägen. Das Einzugsgebiet des Geroldsbachs in Götzens wurde dabei als Testgebiet ausgewählt. Insgesamt geht es darum, naturnahe Maßnahmen zum Rückhalt von Abflüssen zu erfassen und zu bewerten.

In den nächsten Jahren werden dazu verschiedene Messungen im Einzugsgebiet des Geroldsbachs installiert werden, alle mit dem Ziel hydrologische Modelle des Gebiets zu betreiben. Schlussendlich sollen unterschiedliche, bereits bestehende Maßnahmen zum Abflussrückhalt, wie z.B. die Aufforstungen, simuliert und deren Auswirkungen bewertet werden.

#### Programm:

- 09:00 Begrüßung (Kleidorfer, Achleitner)
- 09:15 EU Projekt RECONECT (Kleidorfer, Achleitner)
- 09:45 Geroldsbach Geschichtliche Entwicklung (Leopold Stepanek/WLV)
- 10:15 Pause
- 10:45 Messung und Modellierung am Geroldsbach (Achleitner, Kohl)
- 11:30 Klimawandel im Alpenraum (Herbert Formeyer)
- 12:00 Erfahrungsaustausch, Anwendungen [Diskussion, Round Table]
- 13:30 Besichtigung der Beregnungsanlage/Beregungsversuch (bis ca.15:00)

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#### Anfahrt



#### Projektteam

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Institut für Meteorologie und Klimatologie (BOKU-Met)

DI Leopold Stepanek

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#### Anmeldung:

Aufgrund der aktuellen Corona Situation muss die Anzahl an Teilnehmem beschränkt werden. Entsprechend bitten wir um eine Voranmeldung (first come-first serve) unter

wasserbau@ulbk.ac.at bis 00.September 2020.



#### Hinwels zur Anmeldung:

Datenschutzhinweis: Information nach Art.13 der EU Datenschutz-Grundverordnung (DSGVO) bzgl. der Erhebung von Kontaktdaten zur Eindämmung von Infektionsketten

#### Zweck und Rechtsgrundlage der Verarbeitung

Die Datenerhebung erfolgt zum Zweck des Nachvollzugs von Infektionsketten im Zusammenhang mit COVID-19. Rechtsgrundlage der Verarbeitung ist Art. 6 Abs. 1 lit. d DSGVO (EU-Datenschutz-Grundverordnung) zum Schutz lebenswichtiger Interessen. Eine Verwendung der Daten zu anderen Zwecken findet nicht statt

#### Empfänger der Daten

Eine Übermittlung der Daten an das Gesundheitsamt erfolgt nur, wenn die zuständige Behörde um Auskunft ersucht. Eine Weitergabe ist ansonsten ausgeschlossen.

#### Speicherdauer

Die Daten werden für die Dauer von 3 Monaten nach dem letzten Kontakt mit Ihnen beim Veranstalter aufbewahrt und danach vernichtet.

#### Ihre Betroffenenrechte

Jede betroffene Person hat das Recht auf Auskunft nach Art. 15 DSGVO, das Recht auf Berichtigung nach Art. 16 DSGVO, das Recht auf Löschung nach Art. 17 DSGVO sowie das Recht auf Einschränkung der Verarbeitung nach Art. 18 DSGVO. Beim Auskunftsrecht und beim Löschungsrecht gelten die Einschränkungen nach Art. 2 § 45 DSG (Datenschutzgesetz). Darüber hinaus besteht ein Beschwerderecht bei der Datenschutzaufsichtsbehörde (Art. 77 DSGVO)

#### Pflicht zur Bereitstellung der Daten

Ohne die Bereitstellung ihrer Kontaktdaten können wir die Teilnahme an der Veranstaltung nicht erlauben





#### Hinwelse zur Telinahme an der Veranstaltung



Bei Symptomen wie "Husten, Halsschmerzen, Kurzatmigkeit, Katarrh der oberen Atemwege, plötzlicher Verlust des Geschmacks-/Geruchssinnes" bzw. wenn Sie sich krank fühlen oder Sie Kontakt zu bestätigten Corona-Fällen bzw. Verdachtsfällen hatten, nehmen Sie bitte nicht an der Veranstaltung teil!

- Bitte nehmen Sie einen eigenen Mund-Nasen Schutz zur Veranstaltung mit und verwenden Sie diesen, wenn Sie den Mindestabstand von 1,5 m nicht einhalten können. Ein Mindestabstand von 1 m ist auf jeden Fall einzuhalten
- Bitte verzichten Sie auf Händeschütteln und Umarmungen.
- Bitte verzichten Sie auf enge Interaktion mit den anderen Teilnehmerinnen
- Bitte vermeiden Sie Berührungen im Gesicht, vor allem mit ungereinigten Händen.
- Niesen oder husten Sie in die Armbeuge oder in ein Taschentuch.
- Bitte waschen Sie Ihre H\u00e4nde mehrmals t\u00e4glich, f\u00fcr mindestens 30 Sekunden mit Wasser und Seife.
- Bitte waschen und/oder desinfizieren Sie Ihre H\u00e4nde direkt nach dem Betreten der Veranstaltung. Ein Desinfektionsmittel wird beim Eingang zur Verf\u00fcgung gestellt.

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# List of participants

N	Surname	Name	Company - Association
1	Hartl	Peter	Hartl Consulting
2	Nagl	Harald	Nagl und Söhne GmbH.
3	Winter	Andre	Gemeinderat, cartography for internet and multimedia applications
4	Abenthung	Stefan	Gemeindevorstand Götzens
5	Mair	Christian	
6	Kornberger	Anna Theresa	
7	Acikbas	Bedran	
8	Back	Yannick	Uni Innsbruck
9	Raffeiner	Georg	Land Tirol
10	Eichner	Bernhard	Land Tirol
11	Singer	Josef	Gemeinde Götzens
12	Achleitner	Stefan	Uni Innsbruck
13	Kleidorfer	Manfred	Uni Innsbruck
14	Roy	Molenaar	Uni Innsbruck
15	Bernhard	Kohl	BFW
16	Leopold	Stepanek	WLV
17	Leidinger	David	BOKU Vienna

#### Description of the Agenda

#### Welcome by the hosts

#### The EU Project Reconect

#### Manfred Kleidorfer, Stefan Achleitner

The hosts welcome the audience and presents the planned schedule of the day

#### **Technical session**

#### The EU Project Reconect

#### Manfred Kleidorfer (University Innsbruck)

M. Kleidorfer gives an overview of the H2020 project RECONECT including partners, demonstrators and collaborators. He explains the project idea and aim and gives an overview about the international team and activities. He also explains why the demonstration activities at Geroldsbach are relevant on a European level and how local project outcomes are to be included in the overall project scope.

#### The history of measures at Geroldsbach

#### Leopold Stepanek (Avalance and Torrent Control)

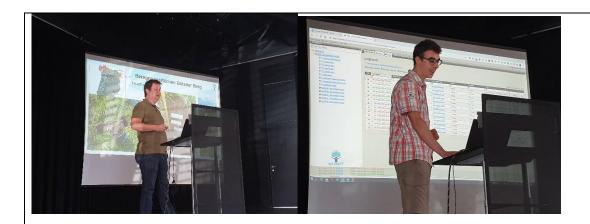
L. Stepanek explained the history of disasters at Geroldsbach and how the torrent and avalanche control started to implement NBS measures in the 50ies to reduce the hydrometeorological risk at Geroldsbach.



#### Monitoring and Modelling at Geroldsbach

#### Stefan Achleitner, Roy Molenaar

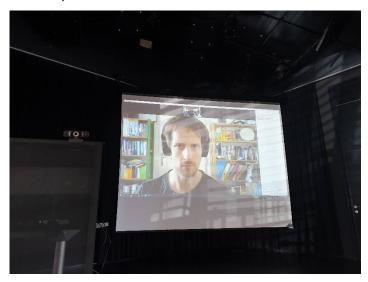
S. Achleitner explained ongoing monitoring and modelling activities in the catchment including artificial rainfall tests. R. Molenaar explained the web-based data management in the INTERACT platform.



#### **Climate Change in Alpine regions**

# David Leidinger (BOKU Vienna)

D. Leidinger (BOKU Vienna) explained the impacts of climate change on rainfall patterns in the Alpine regions and the relevance to adapt to changing conditions with NBS. Due to travel restrictions this presentation was streamed from Vienna.



#### **Discussion**

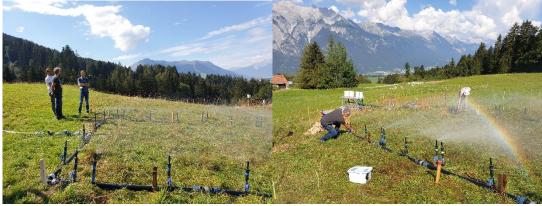
The discussion was organized as an open discussion with stimulating questions to experts from a moderator. The presenters and the audience discussed

- the history of NBS (afforestation) implementation in the catchment,
- barriers for NBS implementation,
- change of hydrometeorological risk over time
- the role of NBS compared to traditional measures
- · effort and importance of maintenance of NBS
- acceptance of NBS compared to technical measures in public opinion

#### Field visit

During a field visit, the participants had the opportunity to see the monitoring station. The team of RECONECT used the event to pro-actively demonstrate the artificial rainfall tests made at this site.





#### Target Audience, event outcomes and follow-ups

The target audience of the event was a wide range from local community over technical experts to local stakeholders. The workshop was able to attract citizens of the community, politicians, engineers, hydrologists and biologists.

The discussions gave an interesting insight into barriers for NBS implementation and acceptance of NBS by the local community.

The discussed topics related to one or more indicator groups formulated in RECONECT.

The (very subjective) sense of security relating to the category of people indicators has be discussed with regard to the researched measure of afforestation. Common sense was, that the sense of security introduced by a retention basin may be greater than from a greening/afforestation measure. Overall, the sense of security is in general difficult to catch – the added value of the assessment has been questioned.

A conflict of interests is sometimes the case, when afforestation areas are to be extended. Area utilized for grazing may not be optimal for this, but are supported by public funding which still makes it financially interesting.

The co-evaluation of complementary indicators relating to tourism can hardly be realized. Common understanding in the audience was, that tourism and recreational areas were there before and were not extended greatly due to the afforestation NBS.

#### **On-line proceedings**

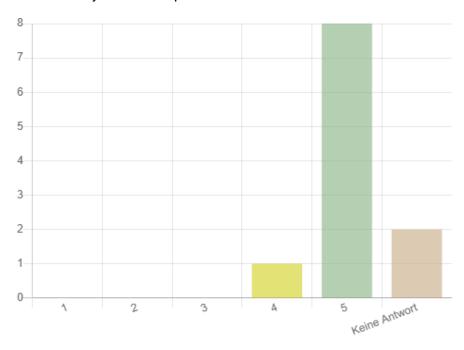
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#### **Quality survey**

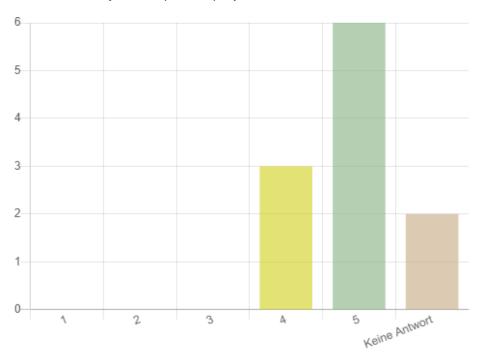
After the workshop an online survey was sent to the participants. The survey was a German translation of the general survey provided. The overall satisfaction was very good. All participants recommend the event to their colleagues Survey results from 1 (poor) over 3 (good) to 5 (excellent).

#### Organizational aspects

#### 1 – Suitability of workshop venue and infrastructures

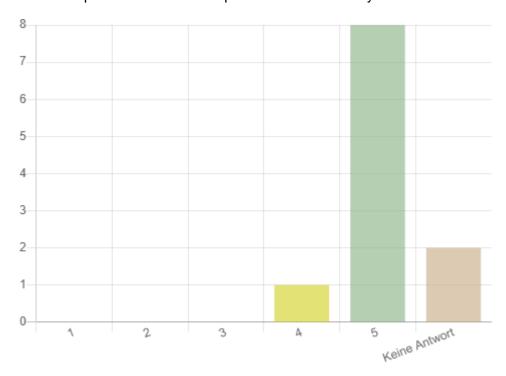


#### 2 - Functionality of computers, projectors and other facilities

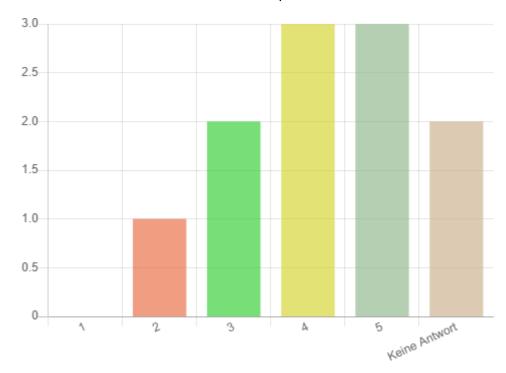


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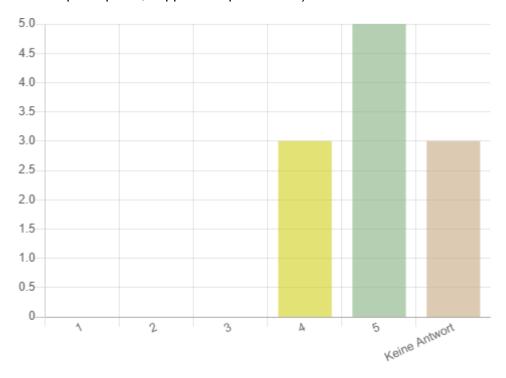
# 3 - Development of the workshop and chairman activity



#### 4 - Minimization of the environmental impact of the event

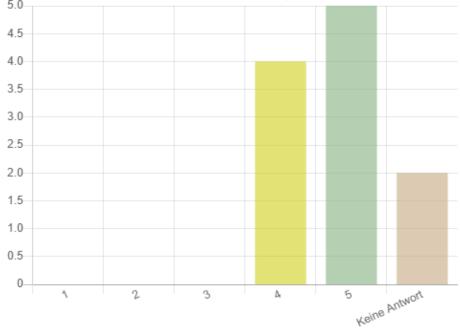


- Quality of the organisation and communication of the event (invitations, management of the participants, support for questions...)



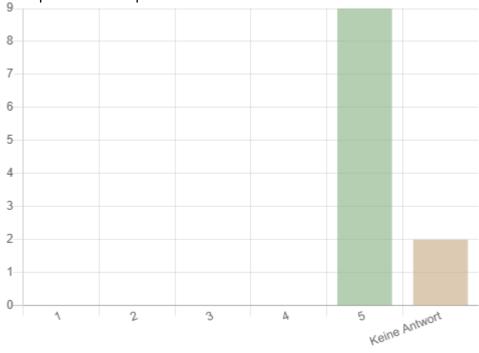
#### General content of the programme

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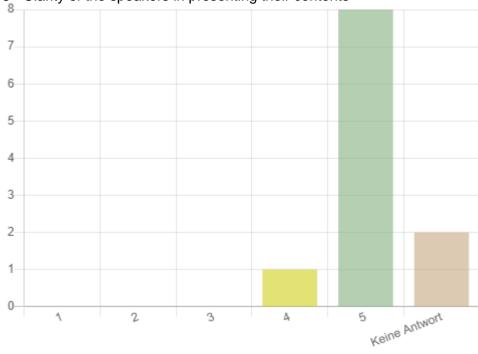


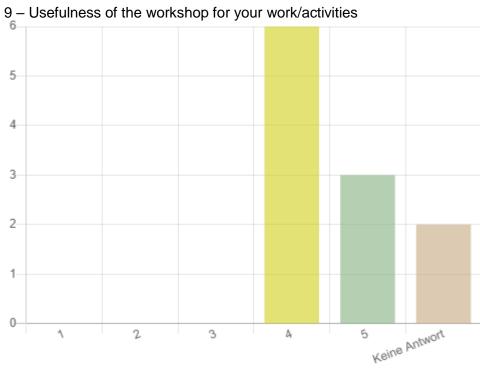
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# 7 - Expertise of the speakers



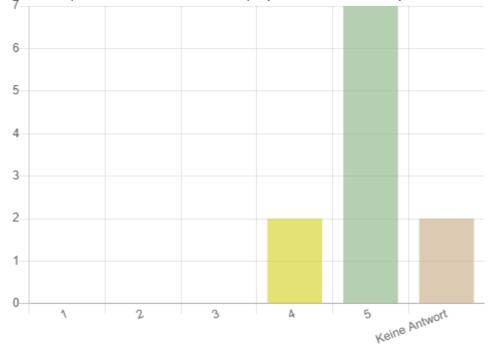
# 8 - Clarity of the speakers in presenting their contents



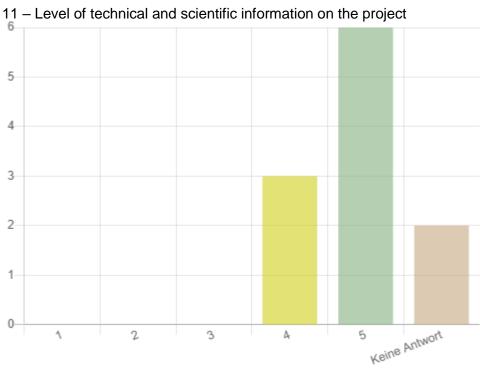


# **Project Presentation**

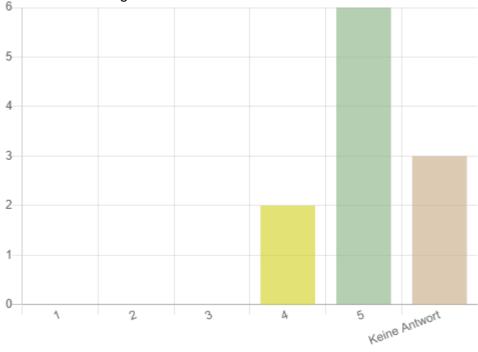
# 10 - Completeness of information of project contents and objectives



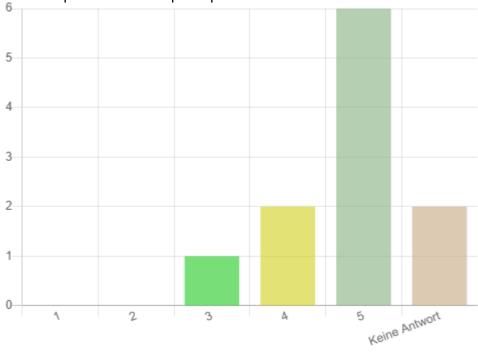




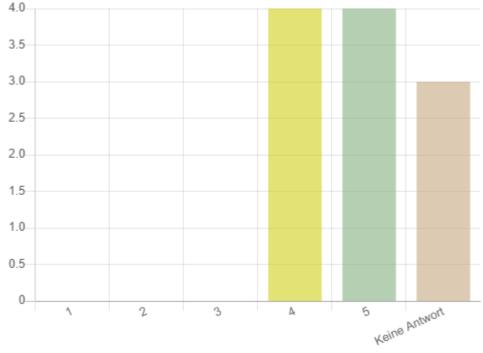




# 13 - Competencies of the participants to the Round Table

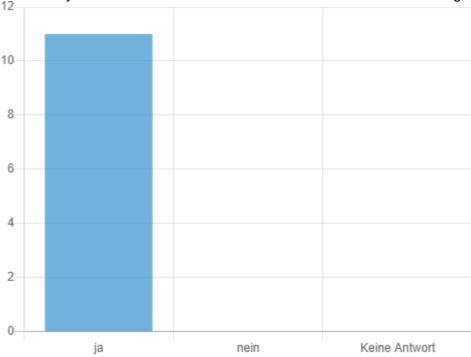


# 14 - Interest and relevance of the Round Table



#### General evaluation

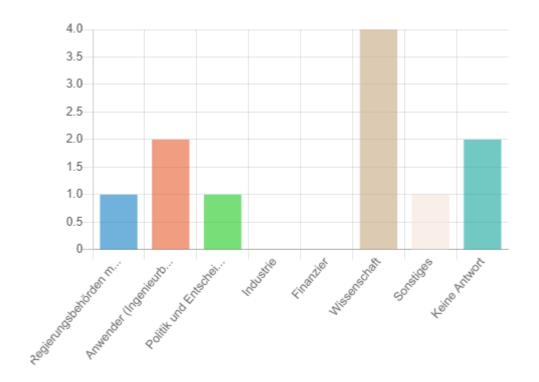
15 -Would you recommend a next RECONECT event to a friend/colleague of yours?



#### Your details

16 -Please select the category that better fits with your profession:

- Government Agencies (mandated to ensure security, protect ecosystems, improve quality of life and health)
- Practitioners (engineers, regulators, land use planners, biologists, insurance brokers, others)
- Policy and Decision makers (local authorities with a jurisdiction over the land impacted by the
- NBS: cities, metropolitan government, river basin authorities, etc.)
- Public and Private Stakeholders (those who own the land or have their activity on the land
- impacted by a specific large-scale NBS)
- Financiers
- Industry (Service and equipment providers; developers of NBS; Private sector CSR)
- Scientific Community
- Other



## 4 Conclusions and plans for future activities

Other National Workshops in Demonstrators will be held by the end of year 4 (August 2022) and reported in the next version of the deliverable (D 6.13).

The activity to plan and organize national workshops in demonstrators and collaborators will continue, in particular focused on the support to local and national partners and aimed at establishing an iterative process with the Demonstrator and Collaborator clusters to individuate possible themes and hints for discussions during the workshops, useful to the project and to the maximization of impacts at national level.

# Annex A. Guidelines for National Workshops' organization (Annex I)

Specific and detailed guidelines were prepared to be sent to all the workshops organizers in order to help and support them in the scheduling, organization, development and reporting phase. They consist of different parts, as illustrated in the following paragraphs.

#### 1 - Preparation of the workshops' time schedule

#### 2 - Actions to be done before the workshop

#### **SETTING THE AGENDA**

- Define goals and targets of the workshop: the organizers must define at first what
  they want to achieve with the workshop and the related goals. In general, the goals
  shouldn't be only to create awareness about the project, but they must contribute
  to promote a new culture of land planning and risk mitigation, demonstrate NbS
  effectiveness through sound scientific basis, supporting the RECONECT
  exploitation and the upscaling strategy.
- **Define the contents** of the agenda that must reflect and support the achievement of the goals and the expected outcomes.
- **Invite speakers:** RECONECT has some budget to cover the invitation costs (one key speaker/ workshop), if necessary.
- **Duration:** The workshop can be a half-day event, so there is no need of big costs for meals or accommodations.
- The outcome: each workshop must be more than a simple presentation of the
  project: it must have an outcome (as, for example, a discussion between experts
  on a particular topic). For this reason, the organizers should consider to insert in
  the agenda also an interactive session, as round tables or working groups, to
  collect ideas and opinions on the argument.
- **Training session**: the organizers can consider to include also a training session on NBS or on a specific aspect of their implementation (design, monitoring, etc...)

#### PREPARE CUSTOMIZED DISSEMINATION MATERIAL

The organizers are recommended to design posters and leaflets of the event, possibly with the final agenda, to be used during the workshop and also shared online (for the design of any dissemination material under RECONECT, refer to the RECONECT Brand Guide).

#### **ENGAGE KEY STAKEHOLDERS**

The organizers have, at first, to define a specific audience for their workshop, and secondly start to invite key stakeholders in due time. Engagement of key stakeholders is a fundamental aspect to be taken into consideration for the success of the workshop and for assuring a robust outcome.

General audit (the dimension of the workshop and the number of expected participants is upon the organizers and depends also by the capacity of the room) can be invited by sharing the news trough institutional web site, social media channels, mailing lists and local press. GISIG can support the dissemination of each workshop through RECONECT media channels.

**Taking contacts with the local press** is also recommended in order to inform citizens and stakeholders about the workshops and RECONECT. Interviews and press releases from the workshop can be considered as an outcome themselves.

#### 3 - Actions to be done the day of the workshop

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SIGN-IN PARTICIPANT LIST AND CONSENT FORM: Before the workshop starts, the organizers need to collect all the participant signatures to confirm their participation. It is also necessary that they explicitly agree on being in videos or photos.

LIVE COVERTURE: Promote the event in social media channels, in real time (if it is possible) or a few days later. Send some photos and text to GISIG to update the RECONECT pages (web site and social media) with info on the workshop.

QUALITY EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE: at the end of the workshop, it is necessary to collect the impressions of the participants to understand if the event was successful or not. The questionnaire can be filled-in in presence, or also by email if all the addresses of the participants have been collected at the registration phase.

GISIG has made available a standard questionnaire (Annex A), that the organizers can customize and distribute to the participants. The questions will concern organizational aspects (quality of materials, of the meeting venue...) and the contents of the workshop (interest in the topics proposed, clarity of the speakers...).

#### 4 - Actions to be done after the workshop

Each organizer has to prepare and send to GISIG a report of the event, together with the presentations delivered, that will represent the main output of the workshop and will be used to draft the D6.7, D6.13 and D6.14, respectively versions 1, 2 and 3 of the "on-line proceedings of national workshops".

The workshops' report must (at least) include the following sessions:

- Programme of the Workshop
- List of participants
- Agenda: a short summary of each speech and of the debate from the round table/working groups.
- Outcomes and follows-up
- Statistics from the results of the evaluation questionnaire (optional)

A standard template (Annex B) is provided to all the organizers in due time.

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## Annex B. Template for reporting the National Workshops



Deliverable X.X

## Report of the RECONECT National Workshop <N. X>

in <name of demo or collaborator>

"title of the Workshop"

#### **Place and Date**

Author(s)/Organisation(s):

#### Action:

Task 6.6 - RECONECT National Workshops

#### References:

WP6, Task 6.6

#### **Short Description:**

Example: This report includes rationale and outlines, agenda, list of participants, a summary of the delivered presentations, outcomes and follow-ups of the workshop.

#### **Keywords:**

Example: Nature-Based Solutions, water Indicators, environmental policies...

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#### **Revision History:**

Revision	Date	Author(s)	Status	Description
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## **RECONECT Workshop of <name of demo or**

#### collaborator>

Address of the venue City, Date

#### Workshop rationale and outlines

Who organized the workshop? What was its purpose? How was the workshop organized? (number of sessions, activites carried out...).

#### **Programme**

Insert in the table the detailed programme of the workshop. (Time, Title of the speech, speaker). Paste here the brochure of the workshop, if any.

#### <NAME OF THE WORKSHOP>

#### **PROGRAMME**

Time	Title of the speech, speaker

### List of participants

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### Agenda

Provide a brief summary of each speech indicated in the programme. If there are different sessions, divide the programme into different tables

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Example: Round table
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#### Target Audience, event outcomes and follow-ups

Describe here the general audience of the workshop, the results obtained, the discussions topics, and next steps expected. In case, provide links to external resources. IMPORTANT!!! EC Project Officer recommended to stimulate a discussion (round table, questions by chairman) at the end in order to get hints by stakeholders for improving and streamlining project activities.

#### **On-line proceedings**

An on-line session with workshop proceedings is organized.

IMPORTANT!!!! Please provide to GISIG also pdf / ppt versions of the delivered presentations.

## Annex C. Template of the Quality Evaluation Questionnaire



#### **QUALITY ASSESSMENT SURVEY**

#### NAME OF THE EVENT - DATE AND LOCATION

Participants are warmly invited to fill in the following anonymous questionnaire, to help us better manage and improve the quality of next RECONECT events.

From 1 (poor) over 3 (good) to 5 (excellent). Blank = I don't know

Organizational aspects	1	2	3	4	5
1 – Suitability of workshop venue and infrastructures					
2 – Functionality of computers, projectors and other facilities					
3 – Quality and usefulness of distributed material					
4 - Development of the workshop and chairman activity					
5 – Minimization of the environmental impact of the event					
6 – Quality of the organisation and communication of the event (invitations, management of the participants, support for questions)					
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14 – Competencies of the participants to the Round Table							
15 –	Interest and relevance of the Round Table						
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General evaluation				Yes		No	
16 - Would you recommend a next RECONECT event to a friend/of yours?			gue				
If "No", please motivate and indicate suggestions to improve the organization or the content of the events:							
Your details							
Please select the category that better fits with your profession:							
	Government Agencies (mandated to ensure security, protect ecosystems, improve quality of life and health)						
	Practitioners (engineers, regulators, land use planners, biologists, insurance brokers, others)						
	Policy and Decision makers (local authorities with a jurisdiction over the land impacted by the NBS: cities, metropolitan government, river basin authorities, etc.)						
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	Financiers						
	Industry (Service and equipment providers; developers of NBS; Private sector CSR)						
	Scientific Community						
	Other: please specify:						

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

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