



Sharing Experiences in River Basin Management

14 October 2014, 13.15-14.45, Room XII, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Special side event at the UNECE Water Convention's "Fifth workshop on water and adaptation to climate change in transboundary basin - Adaptation strategies: which measures for which outcomes at transboundary level". (14-15 October 2014, Palais des Nations, Geneva)

Aims

Share the vast experiences of the International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine (ICPR) in the field of river basin management, water quality improvement, flood management and climate change adaptation and discuss challenges, lessons learned and good practices with other basins.

Background

In September 2013 the International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine (ICPR) was awarded the inaugural IRF European RiverPrize. A fundamental part of the vision of the RiverPrize is the transfer, sharing and exchange of knowledge from RiverPrize winners to others around the globe to foster and advance river basin restoration and management. In this context, the ICPR takes part in a collaborative knowledge exchange program in conjunction with Global Environment Facility IW:LEARN programme partners and UNECE.

Panelists

- Mr. Ben van de Wetering (ICPR, Executive Secretary)
- Mr. Nick Bonvoisin, UNECE, Water Convention
- Mr. Adrian Schmidt-Breton (ICPR Secretariat – Floods Expert)

Session outline

- 30 min – Presentations by panelists
- 60 min - Open Q&A with the audience

Leading questions

- how are the UNECE “Principles for Effective Joint Bodies on Transboundary Water Cooperation” implemented within the ICPR
- how does this link to using the principles of IWRM

- The discussion will be held in English only

- Sandwiches and drinks will be served for lunch

