In the latest Work Programme 2016-2018 of the Common Implementation Strategy of the Water Framework Directive (WFD), the Water Directors of European countries agreed specific Ad-hoc Task Groups (ATGs) should be set up on the following topics: (1) Best practice and guidance on dealing with hydromorphology and (2) Guidance on WFD Article 4(7) on exemptions for new modifications. Ecologic Institute and its partner Fresh Thoughts have been commissioned to provide to DG Environment of the European Commission support and advice on scientific, socio-economic and technical issues related to the activities of the ATGs on Article 4(7) Guidance and Hydromorphology.

The specific objectives of this project are to:

1. Finalise a CIS guidance document on Article 4(7).
2. Support the ECOSTAT group on hydromorphology in preparing a report on hydromorphological assessment methodologies for rivers.
4. Support the ECOSTAT group on coastal and transitional waters with respect to hydromorphological assessment methodologies and mitigation measures for reaching GEP.

Main Link

WG ECOSTAT Report on Common Understanding of Using Mitigation Measures for
Reaching Good Ecological Potential for HMWBs (Part 2)

Ecologic Related Websites
- Event website: Workshop on Methods for River Hydromorphological Assessment and Monitoring

Related Articles
- WG ECOSTAT Report on Common Understanding of Using Mitigation Measures for Reaching Good Ecological Potential for HMWBs (Part 2)
- Support to the Ad-hoc Task Groups on Hydromorphology and Article 4(7) of the WFD
- Common Understanding of Using Mitigation Measures for Reaching Good Ecological Potential for Heavily Modified Water Bodies
- Harmonisation of Good Ecological Potential for Heavily Modified Water Bodies (HMWB)
- River Hydromorphological Assessment and Monitoring Methodologies

Further Links
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