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# From knowledge to action: empowerment and training of floodplain restoration managers

Floodplains reduce flood risks, improve water quality, support climate resilience and protect biodiversity – but restoration requires knowledge, coordination and practical skills.



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## FLOODTRAIN will develop

- a European training programme for floodplain restoration practitioners
- practical learning module as an extension of the MERLIN Academy
- case studies and real-world restoration examples
- videos, quizzes and interactive learning materials
- stakeholder-informed training content
- a pathway towards a “Floodplain Restoration Manager” certification concept

### For the follwoing target groups

- river basin managers
- practitioners, consultants
- NGOs
- researchers
- students
- authorities

# Why floodplain restoration needs new skills

- → Many European floodplains are disconnected, degraded or heavily modified.
- → Restoration projects are increasing under the EU Green Deal, the Nature Restoration Regulation, the Water Framework Directive and the Biodiversity Strategy 2030.
- → However, restoration is complex and often conflicts with land use, infrastructure and sectoral interests.
- → Practitioners need practical guidance, interdisciplinary knowledge and stakeholder engagement skills.





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# Help us design the FLOODTRAIN learning modules!

FLOODTRAIN is developed together with stakeholders from across Europe. We invite practitioners, authorities, NGOs, researchers and land managers to contribute their expertise and practical perspectives.

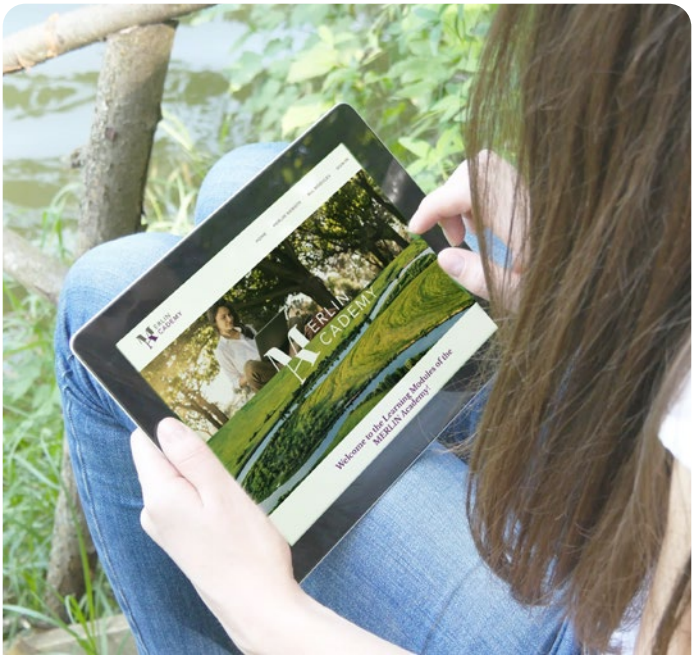
## Why participate?

**Participants help ensure that the training**

- → addresses real restoration challenges
- → supports practical implementation
- → reflects regional needs and experiences
- → strengthens cross-sector collaboration

**Join the stakeholder community now!**

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# Building on the MERLIN Academy

FLOODTRAIN extends the existing MERLIN Academy – an open-access platform supporting freshwater and wetland restoration across Europe.

### The Academy includes

- → Learning Modules
- → Knowledge Centre
- → Webinars
- → Podcasts

FLOODTRAIN specifically expands the practical training modules focused on floodplain restoration and biodiversity.

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