

## **JASPERS Networking Platform**

### **Workshop: Best Practices in Flood Risk Management**

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**Date:**                      **17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

**Location:**                **European Commission**  
**Beaulieu 29 – room 00/27**  
Avenue de Beaulieu 29  
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The JASPERS Networking Platform has been created to complement JASPERS project advisory operations, by addressing specific project preparation problems of horizontal nature, enhancing knowledge sharing activities, dissemination of best practices and exchange of experience among JASPERS Stakeholders, as well as implementing capacity building activities. More information is available at [www.jaspersnetwork.org](http://www.jaspersnetwork.org)

#### **Description of the workshop**

The objective of this workshop is to raise awareness in the JASPERS countries on sound planning, development and preparation of flood protection projects, taking into account directive requirements and integrated solutions.

The main target audience of the workshop is relevant authorities in Member States dealing with the planning, preparation and implementation of Flood Risk Management projects. Representatives from the European Commission will actively participate in the workshop.

The workshop will be held in two main sessions addressing the following topics:

#### ***Planning: Directive requirements and best practices in Flood Risk Management planning***

This session will, against the background of flood directive requirements such as the concrete targets from the Flood Directive (Flood Maps and Risk Management Plans) highlight good practice principles of project planning on a whole river (sub) basin, including using upstream water retention, restoration of natural flood plains and non-structural measures. The session will further focus on the importance of technical tools such as integrated flood modelling and how these should form the basis for investment identification, prioritisation and development.

#### ***Case Studies: Examples of Flood Risk Management***

This session will present selected project case studies as a basis to discuss opportunities to incorporate best practices in the sector. The discussions would, amongst others, focus on:

- The appropriateness of the presented flood measures and the design of the technical solution;
- Applying a multi-purpose project approach, integrating other purposes such as drought prevention, ecological improvements and agricultural and green practices.

This session will present concrete examples from the 2007-2013 funding period and will include an interactive discussion on the selected case studies.

After each presentation time will be reserved for questions and discussions. The workshop will end with a round up session that will summarise the discussions held.

## Tentative agenda

DAY 1 – 17 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	
13:00 – 13:30	<b>Registration of participants</b>
13:30 – 14:00	<b>Opening Remarks and Introduction to the Workshop</b>
14.00 – 14.30	<b>Requirements of the Flood Directive</b> Jorge Rodriguez Romero, DG Environment
14.30 – 15.10	<b>Flood Risk Modelling / Mapping</b> Claus Skotner, Danish Hydraulic Institute
15.10 – 15.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
15.30 – 16.15	<b>River Basin approach: Cross Border Experience from the Meuse river</b> Fred van den Brink, Interreg Project 'Flood-wise'
16.15 – 16.30	<b>EIB Financing for Flood Protection</b> Marco Beros, European Investment Bank
16.30 – 17.00	<b>Non Structural measures and Green Infrastructure Solutions</b> Karin Zaunberger, DG Environment
17.00 – 17.30	<b>Panel Discussion and Summary of the first day</b>
DAY 2 – 18 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	
09:00 – 09:30	<b>Welcome coffee</b>
09:30- 10:30	<b>Introduction to Best Practices: Project case studies</b> Fred van den Brink, Jan Spatka, Hans van Os, David Tagg
10:30 – 11:15	<b>Break up in sub-groups: discussions on specific case studies</b> All participants
11:15 – 11:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:30 – 13:00	<b>Plenary Session: Group presentations and discussions</b>
13:00 – 13:30	<b>Round Up and Summary</b>
13:30	<b>Closing Remarks</b>