



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2026

Restoration in Europe: shared commitment, shared purpose

Thursday 27 August 2026 • 15:15–16:15 SERE2026 European Conference on Ecological Restoration

AGENDA ITEM 1 • 15:15–15:20

Opening of the meeting

Welcome and opening remarks by **Prof. Aveliina Helm**, Chair of the Board.

- Confirmation of the agenda and timing
- Housekeeping: 60 minutes with questions
- No formal votes are scheduled at this meeting





MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

“Ecological restoration is not optional. It underpins the stability of our environments, economies and societies.”

Across Europe the consequences of ecosystem degradation are increasingly visible — alongside growing recognition that nature must be treated as essential infrastructure.

Prof. Aveliina Helm Chair of the Board, SER-Europe

TODAY

Agenda

15:15–15:20	Opening of the meeting	Aveliina Helm
15:20–15:35	Activity and financial report	Boris Barov / Board
15:35–15:45	Priorities for SER-Europe in 2026–2027	Board / Aveliina
15:45–15:55	Shortlisted candidates to host SERE2028	Candidates
15:55–16:15	Roundtable with affiliates and members	All

Purpose: review activities and finances, discuss strategic priorities, and exchange views on the future direction of the Chapter.

Activity and financial report

Achievements and strategic initiatives • Membership development •
Projects, partnerships and policy engagement • Financial report and outlook

2025 IN NUMBERS

A year of growth across the network

452

members across Europe —
practitioners, researchers
and citizens

10

affiliated organisations extending
our national and regional reach

7

European projects worked on
across marine, wetland, forest
and urban systems

€224,930

in contributions and grant
revenue — more than double
2024 (€104,638)

13

proposals submitted, worth over
€2.5 million

4,000+

LinkedIn followers — doubled over
the year

Policy engagement and influence

SER-Europe contributed to EU policy processes on nature restoration and biodiversity in several ways:

- DG Environment Expert Sub-Groups on the Nature Restoration Regulation and Marine Ecosystem Restoration
- Biodiversa+ Knowledge Hub and European Environment Agency activities
- ECOSTAT working group on free-flowing river methodologies
- Soil Monitoring Law, pollinator monitoring methodology and Grassland Butterfly Indicators
- EU Biodiversity Platform sub-group on Forest Biodiversity and the Standing Forestry Committee

MILESTONE

Technical Guidelines for assessing and monitoring Annex I habitat condition were published at the end of 2025.

SER-Europe members contributed expertise on forest and marine habitats and on habitat fragmentation, and helped refine methodologies for several marine and coastal habitat types.

Supporting National Restoration Plans

Members contributed methodological expertise to plan development across Europe, and a dedicated workshops convened experts drafting plans in **Spain, Italy, Hungary and Portugal**.

FRVs

Favourable
Reference Values
for habitats and
species

FRA

Favourable
Reference Area
methodologies

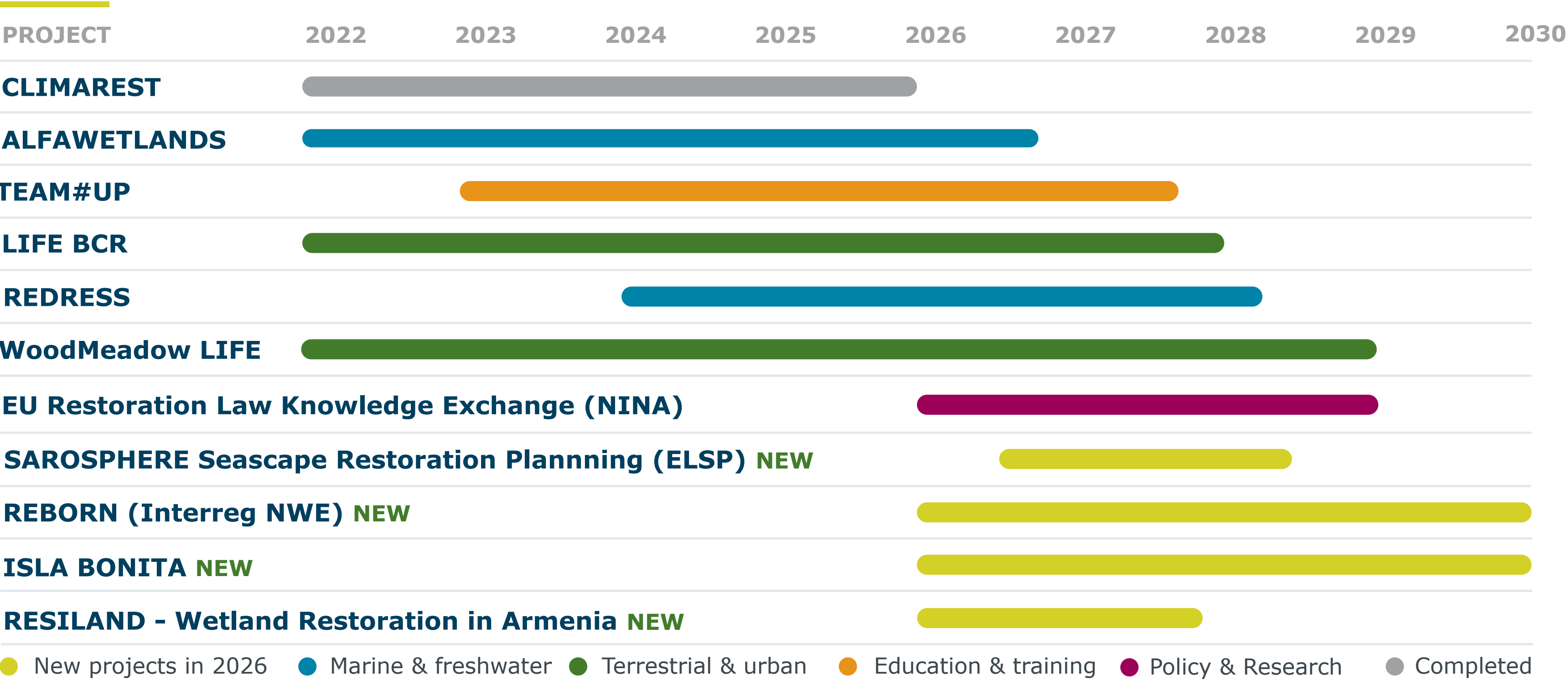
SSCOs

Site-specific
conservation
objectives for
Marine Natura 2000
sites

MSFD

Linkages with the
Marine Strategy
Framework
Directive

SER-Europe project portfolio



ACTIVITY REPORT · PROJECTS

Marine ecosystem restoration

CLIMAREST

2022–2025 · HEU · Mission Ocean
climarest.eu

Culminated in an online **Marine Restoration Toolbox** with guidance, cost–benefit analyses and restoration protocols. Demonstration from Svalbard to Madeira, replicated at five sites from Germany to Cyprus.

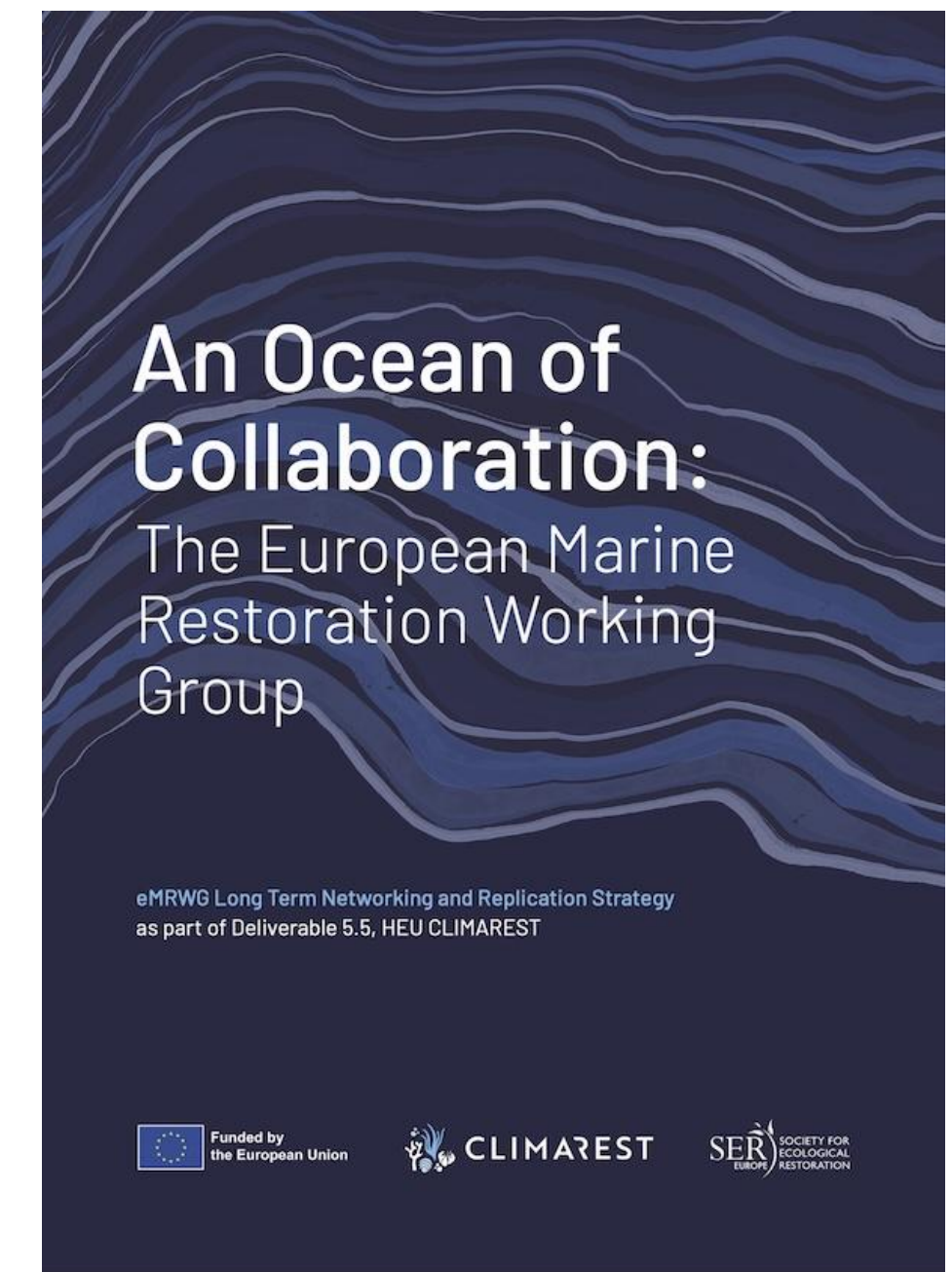
SER-Europe led training, knowledge exchange and communications — webinars, a podcast series and an in-person training event in Dublin.

REDRESS

2024–2028 · HEU · Mission Ocean
redress.org

Restoring deep-sea habitats vital for carbon sequestration — coral gardens, cold-water coral reefs, sponge fields and cold seeps — by mapping degradation and identifying refugia.

2025: cross-project best-practice survey, the *Resilient Depths* podcast series, and a financial blueprint for deep-sea restoration.



ACTIVITY REPORT · PROJECTS

Seagrass and best practices

REBORN NEW

2026–2029 · INTERREG NWE
reborn.nweurope.eu

Funding secured in 2025 with ten partners to scale **seagrass restoration** across North-West Europe, strengthening governance, practice and capacity.

SER-Europe leads interregional governance and co-develops an accredited seagrass restoration curriculum with the Sea Ranger Service.

ISLA BONITA NEW

2026–2031 · Horizon EU
[Learn more](#)

Coordinated by PLOCAN with island-led Living Labs across three sea basins, scaling nature-based solutions to **restore ecosystems**, cut pollution and build a carbon-neutral blue economy.

SER-Europe trains the nine Living Labs in ecosystem restoration **best practices**, drawing on UN Decade standards and the Recovery and Social Benefits Wheels, and develops a replicable training package.



ACTIVITY REPORT · PROJECTS

Wetlands and wooded meadows

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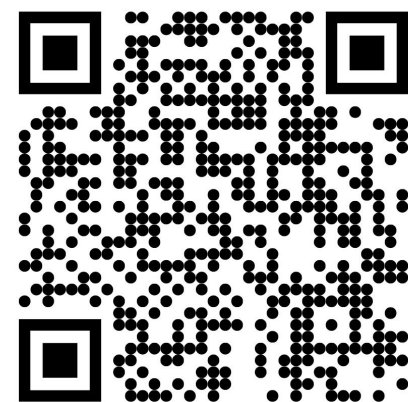
2022–2026 · Horizon Europe
alfawetlands.eu

Advancing wetland restoration through interdisciplinary research and Living Labs across Europe.

2025: science–policy exchange feeding into the NRR and Nature Directives. 2026: Best practice guide in Peatland restoration, expert workshops.

Webinar '**Best practices in Peatland Restoration**'
October 2026

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WoodMeadow LIFE

2022–2028 · EU LIFE Programme
[Learn more](#)

Restoration and long-term management of wooded meadows in Estonia and Latvia.

2025: Replication Strategy, targeting conservation authorities, land managers and ministries nationally, and practitioners and decision-makers Europe-wide. 2026: Working Group and webinar.



ACTIVITY REPORT · PROJECTS

Cities and vocational education

LIFE BiodiverCité & Rèsilience

2022–2028 · EU LIFE Programme
[Learn more](#)

Replicating urban ecological restoration solutions that enhance biodiversity and ecosystem services.

2025: Replication Strategy finalised and engagement with European city networks, showcasing outcomes from Bordeaux for adaptation elsewhere.

TEAM#UP

2023–2027 · EU & ERASMUS+
teamup2restore.eu ·
derto.teamup2restore.eu

Integrating ecological restoration into vocational education and training across Europe, and launched DERTO, an open platform of digital training tools.

Coordinate communication and dissemination across the partnership, and alignment with the Education and Training Working Group and university networks.



ACTIVITY REPORT · PROJECTS

Restoration planning

SAROSPHERE NEW

2026–2027 · ELSP

Develop a seascape restoration plan of Posidonia and coralligenous assemblages in Saros bay (Türkiye) through participatory approach with stakeholders.

Methodological guidance based on SER Principles and Standards and tools. Technical support of planning and consultation processes, capacity building.

RESILAND Wetlands R. NEW

2026–2027 · World Bank/R. of Armenia

Three wetlands of international importance, historically degraded, are to be restored by 2030. Government needs international verification and quality assessment.

Two missions to assess the plans by local consultants and provide recommendations and guidance to the government services. Training session for PA managers, ministry and NGOs.



Working groups and knowledge development

Marine Restoration WG

76 **16** **55+**
members Mem. States institutions

Recognised by the European Commission and a signatory to the EU Mission: *Restore our Ocean and Waters* Charter.

Chair: Prof. Roberto Danovaro
Vice-Chair: Joel Lindholm

Achievements: *Marine Ecosystem Restoration Guidelines for European Seas* (MERGES) (due 2026), marine adaptation of the Ecological Recovery Wheel and 5-star system, and a synthesis of existing European guidance.

Legal WG

29 environmental lawyers
5 meetings, **10+** policy briefs

Six policy briefs on the Nature Restoration Regulation drafted in 2025 and published in 2026, covering agriculture, forestry, marine and urban ecosystems and governance.

Chair: Prof. An Cliquet
Vice-Chair: Prof. Alexandra Aragão

A Berlin workshop with external experts will inform a joint publication; members contributed to a *Restoration Ecology* special issue and to work on a model restoration law.

Education & Training WG

Bi-monthly meetings

Strategic roadmap advanced, with prioritised work areas and funding options for future education and training activity.

Chair: Patricia Rodríguez-González
YOUNG#ER lead: Bruna Paolinelli Reis

Mentoring at SER2025 in Denver, continued Young#ER coordination, a new student association at the University of Pavia with 50+ members, and a SERE2026 workshop submission.

Reaching further, more consistently

2024 → 2026
2,000 → 5,400+ LinkedIn followers

- Quarterly member newsletters, webinars and wider access to recorded conference content
- News articles translating project and policy work into accessible updates

SERE2026 rollout

Structured announcement schedule, alignment with the organising committees, and consistent messaging across partner channels.

SER-Europe on Zenodo

A new community for open sharing of resources — improving visibility, discoverability and citation of our publications, and helping track our contribution to the field.



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Membership and affiliate development

461

members in 2026 — a diverse network of practitioners, researchers and citizens engaged in restoration across Europe.

Closer coordination with SER Global began in 2025 to strengthen recruitment and retention across the European network.

10

affiliated organisations bringing national and regional expertise and connecting science, practice and policy.

A new national network, **Rete Italiana Ripristino Ecologico (RIRE)**, was convened in Rome on 30 January 2026 with a view to becoming an affiliate.

OPEN CALL

Support for new national chapters

With the SER Partnership Fund, SER-Europe is funding the creation of sub-chapters or affiliates in European countries with no formal SER presence. Professionals, academics and organisations are invited to lead.

Governance, team, and fundraising

Governance Updates

- Five board meetings in 2025 and four in 2026 supported strategic direction and organisational development
- Revised statutes registration.
- Several internal policies adopted and in progress.
- Donations platform in progress.

Professional team

Boris Barov — COO

Sébastien Guillé — Finance & Admin Manager

Sahar Stevenson-Jones — Marine Restoration Project Officer

Fátima D. Gigante — Education & Training Project Officer

Elise Mackie — Communications Consultant

Executive Committee: Aveliina Helm (Chair), Alice Nunes (Vice-Chair), Elise Buisson (Secretary), Kris Decler (Treasurer / Policy Interface), and nine Board members at large.

FUNDRAISING

13 proposals submitted

> €2.5 million total value

Several were successful, including **REBORN, ISLA BONITA, and ELSP SAROSPHERE**. Focus areas: marine restoration, education and training, and standards alignment support.

Financial overview 2025

	2025 (€)	2024 (€)
Contributions, grants & gifts	224,930	104,637
Turnover (conferences)	0	2,500
Financial income	1,703	1,894
Total income	226,634	109,031
Operating charges	251,244	132,604
Total expenditure	251,388	132,915
Result of the year	−24,754	−23,884
Equity	51,775	76,529

€157,000+

cash reserves at year-end

The deficit is driven by limited overhead coverage within project funding, co-funding requirements, and a small number of project-specific shortfalls.

SER-Europe remains financially stable in the short term. Rising expenditure and recurring deficits make continued strategic financial growth essential — work is underway on corporate sponsorship and a structured donations framework to improve core funding and overhead coverage.

AGENDA ITEM 2

Questions from members

On activities, projects, membership, or finances.

Priorities for 2026–2027

Programme priorities • Policy engagement • Scientific and practitioner networks •
Capacity building and member services • Partnerships and fundraising

BOARD PRIORITIES 2026–2027

Five areas of focus

01

Programme delivery

Deliver our projects, launch SAROSPHERE and ISLA BONITA, and convert results into practice.

02

Policy engagement

Support National Restoration Plan evaluation - implementation - quality and keep restoration on the EU agenda.

03

Science & practitioner networks

Stronger working groups; publish guides (eg MERGES), policy briefs and new tools based on SER standards.

04

Capacity building & member services

Widen access to training, strengthen early-career pathways, and improve what membership offers.

05

Partnerships & fundraising

Diversify income beyond project grants and deepen work with affiliates and alliances.

Programme delivery and policy engagement

Programme priorities

- Launch SER-Europe Involvement in REBORN, SAROSPHERE and ISLA BONITA in the wider network
- Deliver replication strategies for WoodMeadow LIFE and LIFE BCR
- Continue work on ALFAWETLANDS & WoodMeadow LIFE with outputs for practitioners
- Sustain and further develop TEAM#UP tools, including DERTO and MOOCs beyond the project period

Policy engagement

- Continue support for National Restoration Plans as Member States move to implementation
- Continue to produce and promote policy briefs and publish on Zenodo
- Maintain presence in DG Environment expert groups, NADEG, the EU Biodiversity Platform and EEA processes
- Support marine implementation through the MRWG and the EU Mission Restore our Oceans and Waters by 2030, and the launch of the Ocean Restoration Supra-Alliance (ORSA).

Networks, members, and funding

03

Scientific and practitioner networks

- Publish MERGES and publish adaptation of the marine Ecological Recovery Wheel.
- Closer work with our affiliates, supporters, funders, and partners.
- Strengthen cross-working-group collaboration around SERE2026.

04

Capacity building and training ops

Advance the education roadmap, keep DERTO and TEAM#UP resources open and current, grow Young#ER and student associations, and improve the everyday value of membership through newsletters, webinars, recorded content and training events.

05

Partnerships and fundraising

Diversify the funding base beyond project grants: corporate sponsorship, a structured donations framework, and better overhead coverage. Support new national chapters through initial funding and joint fundraising.

AGENDA ITEM 3 · BRIEF DISCUSSION

Where should we put our weight in 2026–2027?

Which priority matters most for your national or regional context?

What areas can you or your affiliate organisation contribute directly?

How else would you like to engage in SER-Europe's work?

Examples of way to contribute

- Join a working group
- Contribute expertise to restoration policy
- Convene a session at the European Conference
- Share content: articles, case studies, photos
- Bring SER-Europe into a project proposal
- Mentor early-career members and students
- Help build training resources and pathways
- Amplify SER-Europe's work in your networks
- Connect us with partners, funders, or sites
- Support us through membership and renewal
- Translate materials into other languages
- Host local events: art, film, and more



**SHARE YOUR
FEEDBACK**

Candidates to host SERE2028

Presentations by the shortlisted candidate host organisations, followed by questions from members and information on the selection process and timeline.

AGENDA ITEM 4 · SERE2028

Shortlisted candidate host



SERE2028 Liverpool, UK

Connecting Science, Practice & Communities

*Practice · Community · Innovation ·
Culture · Legacy*



Liverpool



Selection process and timeline

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| 01 | August 2026 | Candidate presentation at the General Membership Meeting; questions from members |
| 02 | Sept 2026 | Board review of full bid — venue, capacity, budget, local partnerships and accessibility |
| 03 | Winter 2026 | Negotiation, agreement, planning |
| 04 | Early 2027 | Official announcement; organising and scientific committees formed |
| 05 | Summer 2028 | Calls for proposals, submissions, etc |
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Roundtable with affiliates and members

Affiliate organisations • Individual members • Working groups • Early-career members

AGENDA ITEM 5 · OPEN DISCUSSION

Over to you

Comments, suggestions and questions are invited from affiliates, individual members, working groups and early-career members.

HOW IT WORKS

One minute per intervention.

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Anything we cannot discuss today will be picked up by the Board and reported back to members.

POSSIBLE TOPICS

Opportunities for collaboration across the network

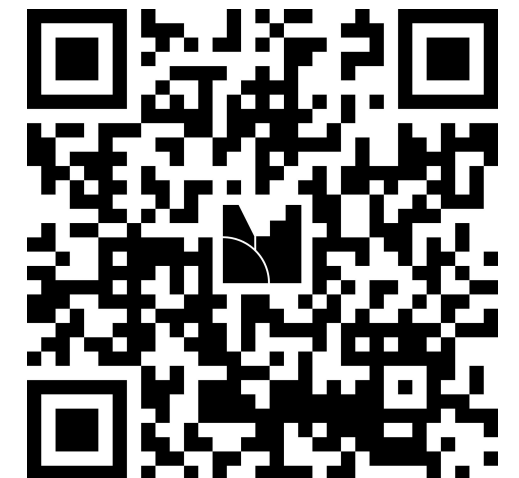
Emerging priorities in your country or ecosystem

Member engagement and membership offerings

Future initiatives and joint funding applications

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ROUNDTABLE · THE NETWORK

Affiliated member organisations

SER-Europe partners with national and regional restoration networks and thematic working groups to strengthen outreach across:

- Language barriers between practitioners, policymakers and scientists
- Differences in national restoration policies and socio-economic contexts
- Diverse knowledge disciplines within restoration theory and practice

REVER

France · 2014

ResECO

Portugal · 2019

FBER

Finland

AEET

Spain

OBN

Netherlands

GRN

DE · AT · CH · 2016

CIEEM

UK & Ireland

Eurosite

Europewide

SIRF

Italy · 2015

RIRE

Italy · 2026

The following slides give one slide per organisation — use them as reference or hand the floor to each affiliate in turn.

AFFILIATE · FRANCE · SINCE 2014

REVER

Réseau d'échanges et de valorisation en écologie de la restauration

IN 2025 - 2026

Strengthened its role as a national platform —
**expanded communications, greater engagement
with practitioners and institutions, contributions
to national and European policy discussions, and
knowledge exchange** through **its mailing list**
(>1000 people), digital platforms and events.

reseau-rever.fr · Prof. Dr. Elise Buisson



Affiliated member organisations

REVER



Réseau d'Échanges et de Valorisation
en Écologie de la Restauration

REVER shares SER-Europe's goals
within France, organising national
conferences and activities that link the
French restoration community.

www.reseau-rever.fr

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- Compiled a excel file with links to 125 books and documents (in French) to guide restoration practices
(rever website -> liens -> ressources)

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en Écologie de la Restauration

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REVER

IN 2025 - 2026

Strengthened its role as a national platform — **expanded communications, greater engagement with practitioners and institutions, contributions to national and European policy discussions, and knowledge exchange** through its mailing list, **digital platforms** and events.

Friday, Session - Nature Restoration Regulation, from planning to implementation

15:30 - 15:45 > Designing a Reproducible Open-Source Database for Ecological Restoration Interventions - Delphine Jaymond



BDREST



Recensement national des opérations de restauration écologique

BDRest, a database of restoration projects in France



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REVER

Réseau d'échanges et de valorisation en écologie de la restauration

IN 2027 - PROJECTS

Strengthened its role as a national platform

→ **A documentary film on ecological restoration**

- Aiming to promote best practices in restoration
- Showing 4 different ecological restoration projects
- Still seeking **funding**...



→ **An academic book**.. aimed at:

- teachers wishing to teach ecological restoration
- students wishing to study ecological restoration
- researchers who are 'getting started' to get an overview
- practitioners looking for some answers
 - theoretical and practical elements
 - numerous concrete case studies

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AFFILIATE · PORTUGAL · SINCE 2019

ResECO

Rede Portuguesa de Restauro Ecológico



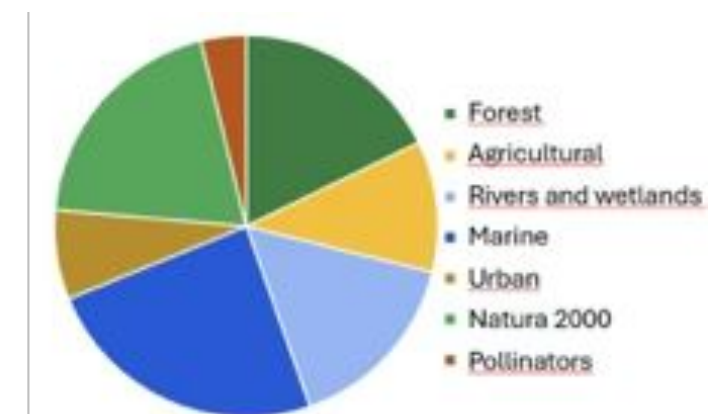
Established in 2019, the Portuguese Network for Ecological Restoration signed a memorandum of understanding with SER-Europe at the European Ecological Federation Congress in Lisbon.

IN 2025

Played a key role in Portugal's National Nature Restoration Plan process through national working groups and consultations.

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Integration into the Working Group (GT-RN) responsible for drafting the National Nature Restoration Plan for Portugal, representing the Knowledge Network for Nature Restoration, >200 specialists with scientific and technical knowledge from various sectors of restoration throughout the country



ResECO

Rede Portuguesa de Restauro Ecológico

Strengthened international
collaboration in European platforms;

Supported workshops, thematic
sessions and restoration data
collection;

Is a co-host for the 12th World
Conference on Ecological
Restoration, SER2027

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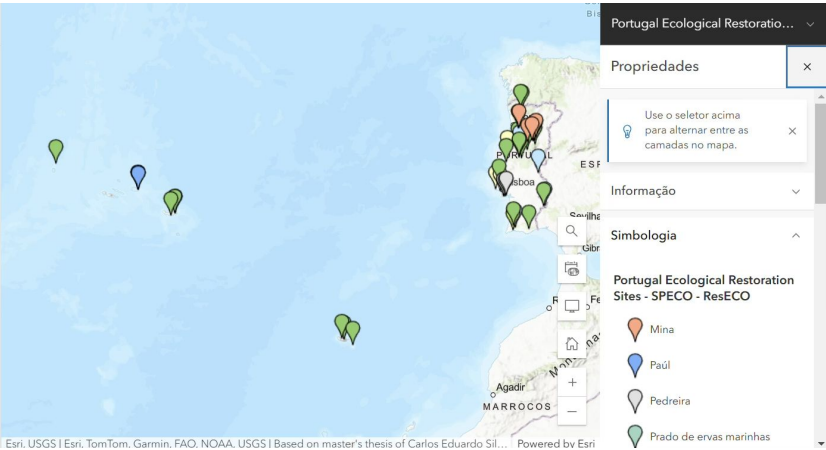
PERSPECTIVE

Maximising biodiversity potential in Europe’s mines and
quarries: A key role for EU Nature Restoration Regulation targets

Miguel Ballesteros, Klara Řehounková, Kris Decler, Carolina Martínez-Ruiz, Josu G. Alday, Rodolfo Gentili, Alice Nunes, Pedro A. Salgueiro, Gregory Mahy, Samuel Bouchoms, Anita Kirmer, Sabine Tischew, Vicenç Carabassa, Nina Nikolic, Rob Marrs, Karel Prach



Participation in the Workshop "Towards the eLTER
Ecosystem Restoration Topic Centre", Budapest, Hungary
Joint thematic session with AEET at III SIBECOL - XVII
AEET Conference



30 August-3 September



Call for Proposals Now Open

The SER2027 Program Committee is inviting proposals for symposia and training courses to be presented at SER2027, the 12th World Conference on Ecological Restoration, from 30 August – 3 September 2027. All proposals must be submitted through the conference submission portal and must be received no later than 4 October 2026 at 23:59:59 UTC. Early ...

[SUBMIT A PROPOSAL](#)

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SIRF

Italian Society of Forest Restoration

Based at Tuscia University, SIRF promotes forestry and environmental restoration, biodiversity conservation and sustainable forest management, supporting research, training, consultancy and scientific events.

IN 2025

Contributed to national conferences, seminars and outreach linking restoration science with policy and practice, alongside thematic dissemination through publications and multimedia to build capacity for forest landscape restoration.

restauroforestale.it



AFFILIATE · ITALY · SINCE 2015

Communication, Training, and Local Networks

Progress of the reorganization phase and key operational projects

1 New Communication Structure

Organized into effective thematic groups, focusing on defining the **national forest restoration vocabulary**.

2 Forest and Mountain School

Established to offer seminars and courses (online/in person) on mountain environment management. **First events already held.**

3 Italian Miyawaki Microforest Network (RIMM)

Coordinated according to SIRF protocols: **23 microforests created** and 13 planned before summer 2027.

4 Relaunch of "L'Uomo e l'Ambiente" Journal

Refounding of the historic journal (1980) as a **digital, bilingual (IT/EN) journal** dedicated to restoration. 1st issue expected by Christmas.



AFFILIATE · ITALY · SINCE 2015

Publishing, Strategic Projects, and Partnerships

Scientific development, environmental conservation, and institutional collaboration

5 Publication of Two Scientific Books

Covering 200 years of State Forestry Corps history (mid-October) and **applied water ecology** (by December).

6 Major Land Restoration Projects

Restoration of the **Pescara Pine Forest** (damaged by 2021 wildfire) and management of the first forest in the Old-Growth Forests Register (**Abetina di Rosello**, a silver fir-beech forest).

7 Strategic Agreement with Federparchi

Framework agreement with the **Italian National Parks Federation** to develop joint research and protection projects.

8 Conferences and Outreach Activities

Direct organization of and **active participation** in numerous specialized conferences, workshops, and seminars.



AFFILIATE · FINLAND

FBER

Finnish Board on Ecological Restoration

It has been a national collaborative group of managers, scientists and restoration experts supporting restoration and habitat management on both state-owned and private land. However now partially inactive.

FOUR EXPERT GROUPS

Peatland restoration (active)

Forest restoration (inactive)

Freshwater habitats (inactive)

Semi-natural grasslands (inactive)

The Board and expert groups prepare restoration handbooks and organise seminars, coordinated by Metsähallitus and the Finnish Environment Institute.

Renewed peatland and spring habitat restoration guidebooks are just out and the guidebook for forest restoration is on its way!



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The Finnish Board on Ecological Restoration FBER, established in 2004, is a nationwide cooperation body composed of nature management actors, researchers and experts. The operations cover habitats on land and in inland waters, both in nature conservation areas and agricultural and forestry lands.

FBER combines scientific research with practical restoration measures, expertise in nature management and promotion actions. The experts of the FBER base their work on the best scientific knowledge, which has then been adapted for use in the field as practical guidelines and guidebooks on restoration and nature management. Impact monitoring data has been collected on a long-term basis and used for further developing the guidelines for the measures. The FBER's activities towards the society include research seminars

and public events open to all citizens. In 2017–2020 the key focus is on the prioritisation of restoration and nature management measures, benefits to be derived in terms of ecosystem services and climate change issues.

FBER's expertise is used in a broad range of research and development projects and it collaborates with various types of national and international stakeholders. The most significant international cooperation partner is the Society for Ecological Restoration (SER) and its European chapter (SERE).

THE FINNISH BOARD OF ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION

is composed of three expert groups: FBER Forest Group, FBER Peatland Group and FBER Grassland Group, as well as a Steering Group.

www.metsa.fi/elotyoryhma

www.metsa.fi/metsa-elo

www.metsa.fi/suo-elo

www.metsa.fi/perinne-elo

www.metsa.fi/elo-ohjausryhma

In the work on inland waters it collaborates closely with the water restoration network.

www.ymparisto.fi/

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**METSÄHALLITUS
FORSTSTYRELSEN
MEAH CIRÁÐDEHUS**

AFFILIATE · FINLAND

FBER

Finnish Board on Ecological Restoration

Recently other large restoration related processes (Helmi habitats program, Priodiversity Life IP) have “reduced the need” for FBER groups, by offering regular online seminars for transferring knowledge between scientists and end-user experts.

However, the larger audience webinars do not have the same power of discussion and resolutions as the FBER groups in their original role as steering groups.

The role of FBER and its subgroups and other processes is currently being rethought by the Finnish Ministry of Environment.

Anyway, with the EU nature restoration regulation targets the work of FBER and larger regular webinars and online cafés is more relevant and needed than ever.



Affiliated member organisations



AFFILIATE · SPAIN

AEET

Spanish Association for Terrestrial Ecology

The largest ecological society in Spain and a member of the European Ecological Federation. Its Ecological Restoration Working Group has supported exchange between restoration science and practice for more than a decade.

IN 2025

Contributed to discussions on implementing the EU Nature Restoration Regulation in Spain, supported collaboration with Portuguese partners, and took part in national consultations on restoration indicators, methodologies and policy alignment.

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Our main action has been to contributed to discussions on implementing the EU Nature Restoration Regulation in Spain



PLAN NACIONAL DE RESTAURACIÓN DE LA NATURALEZA



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ASOCIACIÓN
ESPAÑOLA DE
ECOLOGÍA
TERRESTRE

El Ministerio para la Transición Ecológica y el Reto Demográfico coordina la elaboración del Plan Nacional de Restauración, en cumplimiento del Reglamento de Restauración de la Naturaleza europeo, que debe ser elaborado conjuntamente por todas las administraciones competentes en las materias a las que se orienta el Reglamento, y con la colaboración de toda la sociedad. Este Plan establece los objetivos nacionales, la delimitación espacial de las zonas prioritarias, las medidas concretas, la financiación prevista y el sistema de seguimiento.

El Plan se construye sobre iniciativas ya en marcha, como la Estrategia Nacional de Infraestructura Verde y de la Conectividad y Restauración Ecológicas y el Plan Estratégico Estatal del Patrimonio Natural y de la Biodiversidad.

Documentos e información

- [Modelo uniforme del Plan Nacional de Restauración](#)
- [Información para municipios españoles sobre el Reglamento de Restauración](#)
- [Participación y consulta pública](#)



Organizing Restoration Ecology Sessions

Another science is possible:
diversity, degrowth and sustainability
in ecological research



TSB-16. Connecting Portuguese and Spanish Ecological Restoration experiences and future perspectives under the EU Nature Restoration Law

Sharing info between members

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BOSQUES Y DESERTIFICACIÓN

Proceso participativo del Plan Nacional de Restauración
Informe de síntesis del primer taller participativo
Ecosistemas terrestres (Art. 4)
3 de Julio de 2025

1. Introducción

El presente documento recoge los principales elementos abordados durante la primera sesión temática sobre ecosistemas terrestres, celebrada el 2 de julio de 2025 en el marco del proceso participativo para la elaboración del Plan Nacional de Restauración (PNR). Esta reunión forma parte del conjunto de talleres sectoriales impulsados por la Dirección General de Biodiversidad, Bosques y Desertificación (DGBBD) del Ministerio para la Transición Ecológica y el Reto



AI-driven forest restoration: A governance framework for people and nature

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AFFILIATE · NETHERLANDS

OBN Natuurkennis

Dutch Knowledge Network for Nature Restoration and Management



Developing and sharing practical knowledge to improve ecosystem management across Dutch landscapes and the wider Atlantic Region.

Focus

Our strength lies in the unique collaboration between researchers, policymakers, and sitemanagers. This partnership ensures that scientific research leads to practical advice for effective management and policy decisions. Key topics we focus on include:

- Enhancing biodiversity;
- Restoring landscapes and habitats;
- Impacts of nitrogen deposition and climate change.

natuurkennis.nl · obn@vbne.nl

Expert teams

The driving force behind the network consists of nine expert teams: eight are focused on different landscape types and one is dedicated to wildlife. Each team brings together specialists from research, site management, and policy. These teams identify the knowledge required to restore nature.

Knowledge development

Every year, OBN Natuurkennis commissions four to five new research projects with knowledge institutes. These projects typically run for three to four years, concluding with a scientific report that offers practical advice for nature management and policy. Currently, there are 30 to 40 ongoing studies.



Advice and Support

Managers or policy makers with questions about nature restoration can turn to OBN Natuurkennis for independent guidance. Drawing on existing expertise and experience, OBN specialists create tailored advisory reports.

2025 in a glance



Members OBN Natuurkennis

189



5

OBN team



Meetings

5

Feldworkshops (105 participants)

2

symposia (98 participants)

1

Naturecongres (600 participants)



Completed studies

27

total (12 in 2024)

14

OBN (10 in 2024)

13

UPN (2 in 2024)



Ongoing studies

24

total (43 in 2024)

21

OBN (32 in 2024)

3

UPN (11 in 2024)

Webinars

11

monthly
(8 in 2024)



OBN-nieuwsbrief

3.170 abonnees
(1700 in 2024)



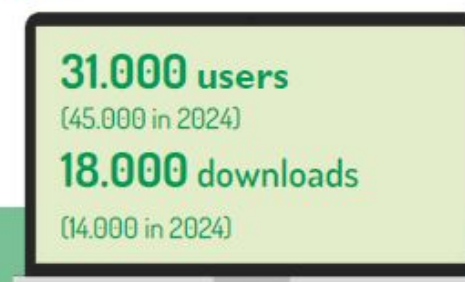
Website

31.000 users

(45.000 in 2024)

18.000 downloads

(14.000 in 2024)



LinkedIn

3.008 volgers (2500 in 2024)



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German Restoration Network

Founded in 2016, the GRN brings together researchers and restoration practitioners from Germany, Austria and Switzerland, focusing on shared practical experience and future restoration challenges.



IN 2025 and 2026

- More than 500 scientists, practitioners and people in administrations declared their interest in networking
- Re-launch of the website: Netzwerk Renaturierung
- Members of the network informed each other about experiences in restoration techniques & upcoming restoration projects, upcoming restoration calls and publications, positions in ecosystem restoration

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German Restoration Network



Organization of three network meetings in 2025:

- 10th Network meeting at Seddinger See near Potsdam “Conservation and restoration of dry habitats” June 4 to 6 (80 participants)
- 11th Network meeting in Laufen “Nature conservation water management in wet grasslands and riparian forests” June 27 to 29 (40 participants)
- 12th Network meeting in Lenzen “Dyke relocation and floodplain forest” September 26 to 28 (40 participants)





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German Restoration Network



Anniversary Celebration “10 Years of Networking in Ecological Restoration”

- More than 100 participants met in Bernburg at Anhalt University
- Presentation of keynotes and short talks on the implementation of the Nature Restoration Regulation (NRR) and effective measures in grassland restoration
- Field trips to two grassland restoration sites (Oranienbaumer Heide & Wulfener Bruch)



AFFILIATE · UNITED KINGDOM & IRELAND

CIEEM

Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management

The leading professional membership body for ecologists and environmental managers in the UK, Ireland and internationally, promoting professional standards, knowledge sharing and policy engagement.

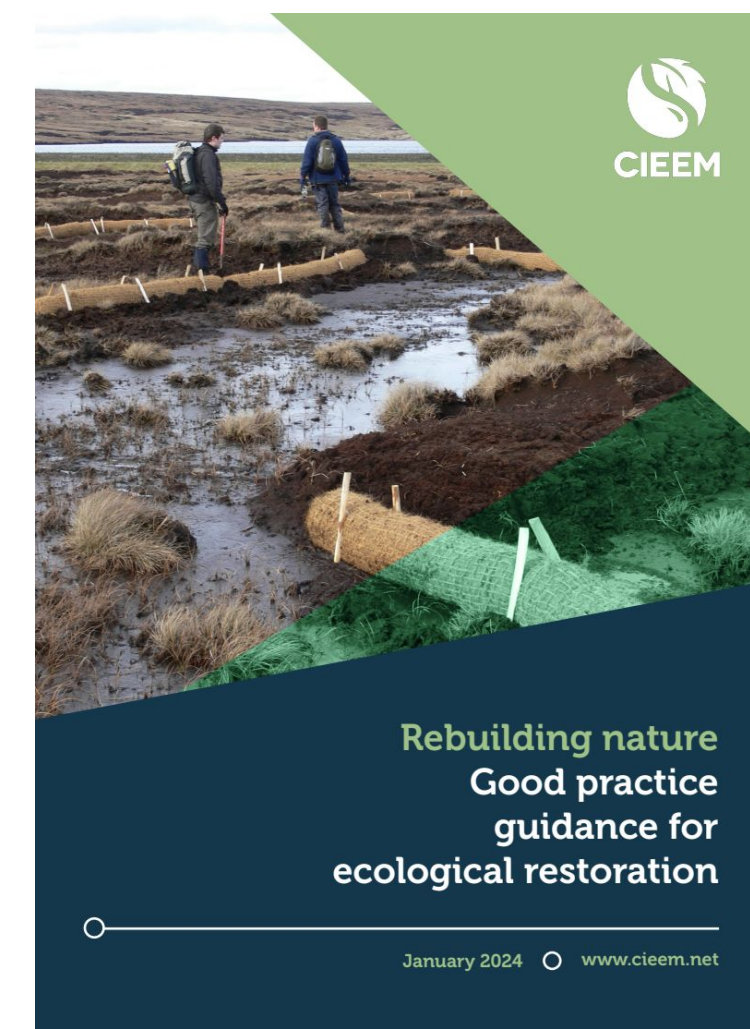
HIGHLIGHT

Rebuilding Nature: Good Practice Guidance for Ecological Restoration — three years in development, covering terrestrial, freshwater and marine environments and grounded in ten core principles that promote evidence-based, landscape-scale and interdisciplinary approaches.

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Rebuilding nature
Good practice
guidance for
ecological restoration

January 2024 www.cieem.net

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RIRE

Rete Italiana Ripristino Ecologico

A new Italian national restoration network of +60 members comprising researchers, practitioners and students from different disciplines.

- Promote ecological restoration based on the best available science in Italy.
- Increase awareness of best practices developed at an international level.
- Facilitate interdisciplinary exchange among researchers and professionals involved in ecological restoration.

Welcome to the network



EMERGING NETWORK · ITALY · CONVENED 2026

RIRE

Rete Italiana Ripristino Ecologico

SINCE 2025

Developed the organisational structure and coordination; advanced thematic working groups and training initiatives; engaged actively in Italy's National Restoration Plan with technical input and consultation responses; participated in exchanges with policymakers bringing the voices of its members.



Welcome to the network

AFFILIATE · EUROPE-WIDE

Eurosite

The European network of natural site managers

A Europe-wide network bringing together governmental and non-governmental organisations committed to practical nature conservation and site management.

VALUE TO THE NETWORK

Creates opportunities for site managers and practitioners to exchange experience and knowledge across borders — a natural complement to SER-Europe's science–practice–policy role.

eurosite.org



CLOSING OF THE MEETING · 16:15

Thank you

To our members, affiliates, partners and supporters — your expertise, collaboration and commitment continue to shape restoration in Europe.

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