

EcoENet Workshop – Sunday 24 May, 2020 – [INRAE Building](#)

Ecohydraulics at the interface between research, applications and the general public

The Ecohydraulics field of research is inherently applied and of transdisciplinary nature since its inception. River rehabilitation is at the heart of the applied side of Ecohydraulics. With the growing number of rehabilitation initiatives, particularly in Europe, the US and Australia, we have also seen an increasing number of disciplines involved in such schemes, from engineering, ecology, fluvial geomorphology to social sciences. However, by nature, river restoration expands far beyond science and in to action. Because river rehabilitation usually occurs in populated areas, interactions with the wider public occur. Whilst our role as scientists may seem separate from public perception, the way we engage with the public as a research community will shape both the development of the Ecohydraulics science and its application.

With this in mind, we propose to work on a high-profile restoration case in the Yzeron River and through roleplaying. The aim is to reflect on the interactions between Ecohydraulics research and its applications with the general public. The workshop will be facilitated by key practitioners and researchers. We will tackle the following questions:

- How does the public perceive Ecohydraulics?
- Does this perception have any impact in our research?
- What is our role as an Ecohydraulics community to producing knowledge and its application for society?

A ½ day field visit may be organised depending on time availability and logistics. We aim to create a dynamic discussion. The workshop is directed to early careers but welcomes any career stage and background to promote productive discussions. We look forward to your participation!

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