

1 st announcement: **THE STRIVER final conference**

Integrated water resource management in theory and practice



Brussels, Belgium. May 28 - 29 2009

- How to use research results in operational water management?
- How can the science-policy interactions and stakeholder participation be strengthened?
- What are the lessons learnt and tools in IWRM?

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May 28-29, 2009

Venue

Club of the University Foundation, rue d'Egmont 11 - 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium
<http://www.fondationuniversitaire.be/en/>

Aim

This open international conference is intended as an arena for discussions around recent findings in the field of integrated water resources management (IWRM).

This conference will show the major findings from the EC-funded FP6 project STRIVER.

The conference is open and external oral presentations are highly encouraged. Contributions from researchers, water managers, river basin planners and policy makers will be emphasised.

Besides oral presentations in plenary and parallel session, break-out working groups discussing various IWRM-issues will ensure active participation of all attendance.

Key topics at conference

- IWRM methodologies
- Stakeholder and public participation
- Scenarios as a tool for management
- Transboundary water management
- Pollution models
- Environmental flows
- Water law and water governance
- Land and water interactions
- Climate change and IWRM
- The science-policy bridge

STRIVER- Strategy and methodology for improved IWRM - An integrated interdisciplinary assessment in four twinning river basins is a three year EC funded project 2006-2009 under the 6th framework programme (FP6) coordinated by Bioforsk and NIVA (Norway). The point of departure for STRIVER is the lack of clear methodologies and problems in operationalisation of Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM) as pointed out by both the scientific and management communities.

Project website: www.striver.no

Preliminary Programme

May 28

- Plenary session including an overview about STRIVER, the EC-view on IWRM and twinning projects and other oral presentations (selected from abstract submission)
 - Parallell sessions: to be determined later
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May 29

- Cont parallell sessions
 - Break-out working groups with prepared questions (tbd)
 - Plenary session with panel consisting of chair-man of working groups and invited persons from audience
 - Presentation of policy and management statement from conference
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Registration and deadlines

- Submission of abstract: March 1, 2009
- Response to abstract and acceptance for oral presentation: March 15, 2009
- Registration: Before March 25, 2009 (online at www.striver.no)
- Final conference programme: April 1, 2009

Instructions for abstract submission

Abstracts for oral presentations covering the issues for the conferences are highly welcomed (se 'Key topics at conference'). Lessons-learnt (both success stories and failures) from case-studies and methodological IWRM papers are particularly welcomed.

Abstract should be written in English and preferably in Word within one A4-page. Column width 2cm.

Font: Times Roman 12 pt; single space

Title in bold font followed on separate row(s) by name and affiliation of the authors.

(e-mail address for the corresponding author should be given)

The text itself should start with 'Extended abstract' in bold font followed by the text without section headings etc.

Abstract to be submitted before March 1, 2009 to striver@niva.no

Abstracts accepted will be available online

Conference fee

Conference fee is 100 EUR which include coffee-break, lunches and a conference dinner.
Payment of the conference fees is done through a bank wire (transfer).
Please mark the payment with 'STRIVER-conference' and your name.

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Currency of Account: Euro

Other information

- No poster presentations is available.
- The number of conference participants is resitsricted to 100 people.
- Working language is English

Organisation Committee

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