
NeWater-GWSP SUMMER SCHOOL 2007
“Transitions to Adaptive River Basin Management”
Participant Information

07 June 2007

Dear Summer School Participant,

Since the majority of participants for the NeWater-GWSP summer school on “Transitions to Adaptive River Basin Management” have now been confirmed, we would like to provide more information concerning the programme and logistical arrangements. In addition, we ask that you complete the information form (attached separately to this email) for planning purposes. Please return this to Anja Waltemate as soon as possible and no later than 18 June. We realise that your arrival and departure times may shift after submitting this form, but we can in most cases make some adjustments in early July.

Visa

If you are travelling on a non-EU passport, a visa may be required to enter Germany – if you have not already done so, you should inquire at the German consulate as quickly as possible applied for a visa is needed to enter France. If you require a letter of invitation for this purpose, please contact Anja Waltemate (awaltema@uni-osnabrueck.de)

Arrival in Bad Krozingen

Bad Krozingen and the Alla-Fonte Hotel (www.alla-fonte.de) are located just south of Freiburg, Germany. Travel directions can be downloaded from our website www.newwater.info. Please take these directions with you as it includes the address and tel number of the hotel and also our mobile telephone numbers in the event that you are lost or delayed. The hotel is easily accessed (the train station is just a ten minute walk from the hotel).

We recommend that you aim to arrive the afternoon of Tuesday July 10. All rooms have been reserved for the nights of Tuesday 10 July – Friday 20 July inclusive and will be adapted based on the above information. Sessions begin 9am on Weds 11th and end at approximately 12.00 on Sat. the 21st. If you are arriving earlier than the 10th or departing later than the 21st, and require an extra night at the hotel – at your own expense (+/- 70 Eur per room) please let us know the date in the attached information form.

Venue and Facilities

Accommodation: Double rooms with en suite WC/shower are on a shared basis - - two persons per room. If you wish to share a room with a colleague who is also attending the course, you

may indicate this on the information form. (see participant list attached separately). Otherwise, you will be assigned a room with another participant of the same gender.

Meals: Three full meals are included in the accommodation. Please indicate on the information form (which is attached separately to your email) if you require vegetarian meals or if you have other special needs. On Tuesday evening, 10 July, a light evening meal will be served at 19.00. If you arrive later, we can refer you to some local restaurants within walking distance of the hotel.

Internet Access: the hotel has Wireless LAN available in the lobby area and surrounding rooms. Cable connections may be possible in selected locations. We recommend that you bring your own laptop if you wish to monitor your email. In addition, it will be helpful to have several laptops available for some of the group exercises/ assignments that will be given.

Programme

The programme has not changed substantially from the version that you have already seen on the summer school website (appended to this letter). All instructors listed have been confirmed. Most instructors will provide one or two readings for his/her session. This background reading will be available on the NeWater Summer School site – www.newater.info beginning in the week of June 11.

We also would like to give you the opportunity to share your research with other participants and have made time available in the schedule for presenting your work (we recommend a presentation of not more than 15-20 minutes) A room with the laptop and beamer will be available for this purpose. Please let us know by completing the appropriate section of the information form.

A Final Note

You will see from the list of participants (attached separately), that we are bringing together a very diverse group of young researchers involved in multidisciplinary research related to natural resources and environmental management. We are confident that session leaders will provide you with very instructive sessions and we hope that this course will also provide an ideal opportunity to expand your network. On behalf of the NeWater project and the Global Water Systems Project we very much look forward to welcoming you in Bad Krozingen in July.

If you have any questions about the programme, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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Daniel Petry, Global Water System Project

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“Transitions to Adaptive River Basin Management” Programme
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	TOPIC	Instructor
	A: Introduction to Summer School	
Weds 11 Jul 09.00-12.30	Introductions from participants (½ day) The need for change in water resources management and barriers to change (lecture and discussion)	Claudia Pahl Westl
Weds 11 Jul 14.30 – 17.30 & Thu. 12 Jul 09.00 – 12.30	Climate change as a driver for transition in water management (1 day) Global water cycle and water, climate and development; Regional water and climate risk management Discussion panel - participants	Pavel Kabat
Thurs 12 Jul 14.30 – 18.00	Insights into what societal transitions are (½ day) Theory underpinning transitions management	Jan Rotmans
	B. Methods for Transitions Management	
Friday 13 Jul 09.00 – 12.30 14.30 – 17.00 & Sat 14 Jul 09.30 – 12.30	Importance of learning processes in facilitating change (1½ days) Group model building Participatory approaches Exercises in participatory approaches	Matt Hare
Mon 16 Jul 09.00 – 12.30	Approaches to transitions: how transitions management can contribute to more effective river basin management (½ day)	Claudia Pahl-Wostl Rutger van der Brugge
Mon 16 Jul 15.00 – 16.30 17.00 – 18.00	<i>Work on group assignments</i> <i>Presentations from participants on their own research</i>	All Participants
Tues 17 Jul 09.00 – 12.30 14.30 – 17.30 20.00 – 21.00	How to analyse transitions (1 day) Uncertainty Analysis Implementing Learning Cycles in Water Management <i>Presentations from participants cont'd</i>	Marcela Brugnach Claudia Pahl-Wostl All Participants
Weds 18 Jul 09.00 – 12.30 14.30 – 16.00 16.30 – 20.30	Modelling and Transitions Management (½ day) <i>Presentations from participants on their own research cont'd</i> Excursion to ecological vineyard: Weingut Wilhelm Zähringer	Alex Haxeltine David Tabara All Participants
	C. Transitions in Water Management in Practice	
Thu. 19 Jul 09.00 – 11.00	Role of the European Water Framework Directive in water management and transitions management (implementation, water policies) (Lecture and discussion) (2 hrs)	Britta Kastens and Sabine Moellenkamp
Thu. 19 Jul. 11.30-12.30	<i>Presentations from participants on their own research cont'd</i>	All Participants
Thu. 19 Jul. 14.30 – 18.00	Water Management in China (½ day) Simulation game: regional water management in Xinjiang	Wolfgang Kinzelbach
Fri 20 Jul 09.00 – 12.30	IUCN: Practitioners' perspective (½ day)	Mark Smith
Fri 20 Jul. 14.30 – 16.30 17.00 – 18.00	<i>Groups work on assignment</i> <i>Presentations participants cont'd</i>	All Participants
Sat. 21 Jul. 09.00 – 12.00	Final presentations (based on short assignment) and wrap up	All Participants Claudia Pahl-Wostl

