



“Restoration of the Lower Shannon SAC (Mulkear River) for Sea Lamprey, Atlantic Salmon and the European Otter”

Press Release

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Celebrating River Restoration in Ireland & Europe – International 2 Day Conference

MulkearLIFE’s work will end on the 31 December 2014. To mark this important milestone, MulkearLIFE / Inland Fisheries Ireland will host an important international conference to celebrate river restoration in Ireland and across Europe, on the 10 and 11 September 2014.

Full details available here: [MulkearLIFE End of Project Conference](#).



Atlantic salmon returning to the Mulkear River – Jan. 2011 (Image: Lette Malonley)

The conference is free of charge **but places are limited and pre-booking is essential**. Please download the registration form here [Conference Registration Form \(MS Word\)](#) and return completed form to ruairi.oconchuir@fisheriesireland.ie

We look forward to welcoming you to the conference and celebrating River Restoration in Ireland and Europe.

Notes for Editors

1. High Resolution Digital Images are available to accompany this Press Release.
2. Interviews can be arranged with the Project Manager by using the contact details below.
3. MulkearLIFE is a new €1.75 million European Commission funded LIFE Nature project working on the restoration of the Lower Shannon Special Area of Conservation (with a focus on the Mulkear River catchment) for Atlantic Salmon, Sea Lamprey and European Otter. Further details may be viewed on the project website www.mulkearlifeproject.com
4. Inland Fisheries Ireland (Limerick) is lead partner together with the OPW and Limerick County Council. Additional funding support comes from National Parks and Wildlife Service. Other supporters include Teagasc, IFA, ICMSA, and local angling groups.
5. The project is one of the first and most important integrated catchment management projects in Ireland. It is a flagship EU LIFE Nature project –covering some 650 sq km which contain a variety of habitats and protected species. Much of the area is designated as a Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) under the EU Habitats Directive and forms part of the Natura 2000 Network.

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