



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

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Info Session on LIFE+

The European Commission will launch the 2011 LIFE+ Call for Proposals in mid February 2011, with a budget of €265.36 million for projects across the EU targeting the environment under three headings: Nature & Biodiversity, Environment Policy & Governance, and Information & Communication.

In Ireland, the indicative amount available for co-financing projects will be €4.04 million.

In the context of this call for LIFE+ proposals, the EC will be holding a LIFE+ Information Session on the 3rd March 2011 in the Custom House, Dublin. The aim of this Information Session is to inform potential applicants about the LIFE+ Programme.

Full details on this information session including registration details available here.

[Full Details here](#)

MulkearLIFE is delighted to be part of this EC LIFE+ information session and will make a presentation during the afternoon session.

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.mulkearlife.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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