

# PROVISIONAL AGENDA



# RIVER UNIVERSITY EDITION 2023

Theme  
**WATER POLLUTION & RISK MANAGEMENT**

**31 July - 4 August 2023**



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## 31.07 Monday - European and national focus

Arrival at the location by 13:00,

13:00 - 14:00 Light lunch as a welcome

14:00 - 14:10 Welcome & introduction – Ewa Leś, CCB

14:10 - 14:30 Where we are? Introduction to Rewilding Oder Delta and the programme in the context of waters – Peter Torkler, ROD

14:30 - 18:00 Opening session

14:30 – 15:00 How clean/dirty are rivers in Europe? - Michael Bender, Living Rivers Foundation

15:05 – 15:35 The greatest challenges of water management in the Baltic Sea Region - what we are facing nowadays? - Ewa Leś & co-authors, Coalition Clean Baltic

Coffee/tea BREAK 15min

15:35 – 16:05 Resilience and risk in water management nowadays – Aaron J Neil, University of Durham, Institute of Hazard, Risk and Resilience

16:10 – 16:40 Source to sea! Impact of river's condition on the seas on Baltic and Odra example – Dr Finn Viehberg, Greifswald University

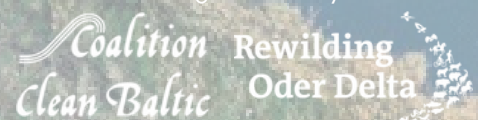
17:00 - 19:00 Who we are on this boat? Participants' introduction round and enjoyable swim around Kutzow See

19:00 Dinner



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## 01.08 Tuesday – Local case day (on bicycles TBC)

8:30-9:00 Breakfast

10:00 - 14:00 Cases to solve: drought and water deficits in forests and wetlands. Field visit “water in the landscape” - why we have a problem - Torsten Dinse, a local forester

14:30 - 18:00 Practical lectures on landscape hydrology around the Randow River

18:00 - 22:00 barbeque or firebone with ROD in Glashütte

## 02.08 Wednesday – Transboundary riverine areas

8:30 - 9:00 Breakfast & drive to Międzyodrze area

10:05 – 10:35 Managing conflicting interests in river restoration from a European perspective, TBC

10:40 - 11:10 River restoration practices in Poland, Maciej Humiczewski, KomesWater

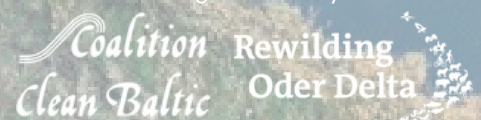
11:00 – 18:00 The Odra river – learning on the water in the Lower Odra National Park, kayak expedition to the hidden treasures of the Odra; packed lunch

19:00 Dinner at Kutzow See



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## 03.08 Thursday - Ecology of living rivers

9:00 - 09:30 Breakfast

09:35 - 10:30 Living river - how the river works? River processes key for the river ecosystem - prof. Robert Czerniawski, Szczecin University

10:40 - 11:10 Dying river - what the Odra catastrophe has shown us? - Institute for Inland Waters (IGB) TBC

Coffee/tea BREAK 15 min

11:25 - 12:25 Hope for rivers - what can we learn from the Odra catastrophe, the bigger picture, Dr Jaenette Völker, Federal Environmental Agency, Head of Department for Inland Waters

12:30 - 13:00 Szczecin lagoon - HELCOM pollution hotspot since 1992, TBC

13:00 - 14:00 LUNCH

14:00-17:00 Practical visit to the educational centre in Ueckermünde: water sampling and learning about the ecology of the lagoon: e.g. Macroinvertebrates as bioindicators and associated biomonitoring tools - Valerie Kendall, MKO Ireland

## 04.08 Friday - Participants' Day! Sharing is caring

8:30 - 9:00 Breakfast

09:15 - 10:00 Morning swim in Kutzow see

10:30 - 12:00 Conclusions, sharing the results of participants' contribution to River University; Certification

12:00 Goodbye lunch!



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