

Channel Payments for Ecosystem Services

Improve water quality by implementing sustainable Payments for Ecosystem Services across 6 pilot catchments in England and France.

INVITATION

CPES National seminar

Wednesday October 17th, 2018

from 2 to 5:30 pm

Pavillon de l'Eau, Paris - 77, Avenue de Versailles

Dear Sir, Madam,

The partners of the European project INTERREG Channel Payments for Ecosystem Services (CPES) are pleased to invite you to a half-day exchange on payments for ecosystem services.

Our common goal: to share our experiences and reflections on these innovative financing schemes and their implementation in an forward-thinking experiment on six pilot sites in Southern England and Northern France. The coordinator of the Interreg project and the French and English partners involved in the project will discuss their interests and the challenges they face for payments for environmental services under the Interreg CPES cooperation, with the aim of strengthening their action with farmers to improve the quality of the water.

You will find attached the agenda of this seminar.

Faithfully yours,

Sara Hernandez
Lead partner « Policy framework » for CPES project

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AGENDA in details

Welcoming coffee from 1:30pm

2 - 2:30 pm Welcoming words

Jean-Baptiste Butlen _ Eau de Paris, Deputy Director-General

Marie-Dominique Monbrun _ Agence de l'Eau Seine-Normandie, Deputy director general

Dave Cooper _ University of Chichester Business School, CPES project lead partner

Dominique Medaerts _ Syndicat d'Eau du Roumois et du Plateau de Neubourg, President

André Piquet _ Syndicat Mixte du Grand Bassin de l'Oust, President

2:30 - 3:30 pm Introduction to PES case-study within CPES Interreg project

Sara Hernandez _ Sara Hernandez Consulting Ltd, Director-General and responsible of « Policy Framework » for CPES project

Dave Cooper _ University of Chichester Business School, director & English case-studies representative

Marine Gratecap _ SERPN, facilitator of Tremblay-Omonville catchment

Marion Pavy _ Eau de Paris, Responsible of Agriculture and Territories Division

Patrick Latouche _ SMGBO, Director

3:30 - 4 pm Discussions with the seminar participants

4 - 5 pm Roundtable discussions

The issues of evaluation of the payment and financial sustainability of the PES

The PES depends on the definition of an ecosystem service for which the service providers are remunerated by the beneficiaries according to the achievement of the expected environmental result.

Given the wide variety of practices, the participants in this roundtable will have the opportunity to discuss the issues raised by the case studies and the issues of definition of the service and its environmental effectiveness, available evaluation method, results monitoring tools and possible financial mechanisms to ensure the financial sustainability of the payment.

Yann Kervinio _ Commissariat Général au Développement Durable, Member of EFES project

Dave Cooper _ Université de Chichester, Lead partner of CPES project

Guillaume Pajot _ Centre de Recherche et d'Etudes Scientifiques sur l'Eau en Bretagne, Facilitator

Hervé Sevenou _ All'i'Hommes Association, President

Marc Barré _ CDC Biodiversité, Expert on rurality and biodiversity

5 - 5:30 pm Discussions with the seminar participants

5:45 - 6:45pm Press conference

Participants are invited to share the discussions with journalists.

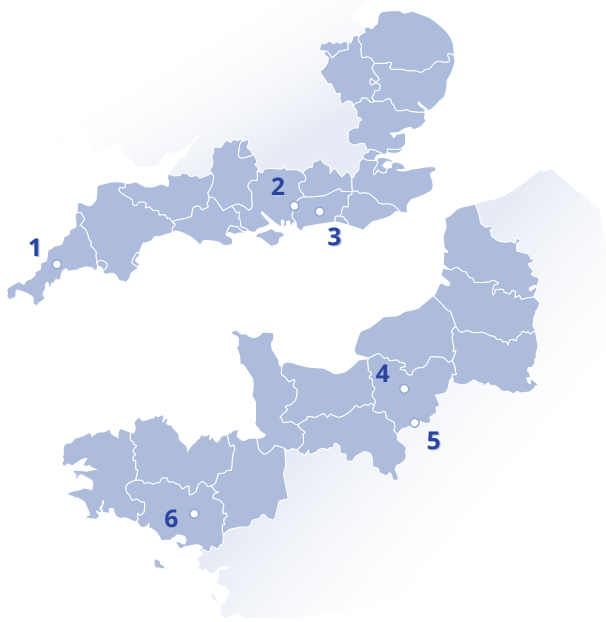
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University of Chichester, Syndicat Mixte du Grand Bassin de l'Oust, South Downs National Park Authority, Portsmouth Water, Westcountry Rivers Trust, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique, Université de Rennes 1, Southern Water, Environment Agency, Sara Hernandez Consulting, Agence de l'Eau Seine-Normandie, Eau de Paris, Syndicat d'Eau du Roumois et du Plateau de Neubourg



Launched in November 2017, the European Channel Payments for Ecosystem Services (CPES) project is a cooperation project managed within the Interreg VA France (Channel) England programme. It has a €4 million budget, co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund (€2.8 million), and runs for a 45 month period (2017-2020).

Fourteen partners are working towards a common goal: to improve water quality of lakes, rivers, groundwater tables, by implementing sustainable payments for ecosystem services (PES) schemes in six pilot catchments in Southern England and Northern France to strengthen the actions for changes in farmers' practices.



6 SITES

1. **Salcombe-Kingsbride estuary and Roadford Lake**
Devon & Cornwall, England
2. **South Downs chalk grasslands groundwater**
Hampshire & West Sussex, England
3. **River Western Rother catchment**
West Sussex, England
4. **Tremblay-Omonville catchment**
Normandy, France
5. **Springs of la Vigne**
Normandy & Centre, France
6. **Lac au Duc and river Yvel catchment**
Brittany, France

Among the innovative financial mechanisms, payments for ecosystem services (PES) are voluntary approaches in which land managers are paid to change practices by the beneficiaries of the ecosystem services. Previous projects have demonstrated the viability of PES to reduce diffuse pollutions but have not tested their environmental effectiveness and their financial sustainability at a larger scale.

Our different partners have proven experience in identifying and implementing measures for changes in agricultural practices in favor of water quality. However, the current mechanisms seems to face certain difficulties in achieving water quality objectives (low incentives, complex administrative and financial management, etc.). This explains their interest in an innovative scheme and their commitment to Interreg cooperation.

The Interreg project offers a unique experimental framework to test the construction and implementation issues of PES schemes. The ultimate goal of the CPES project is to demonstrate that PES is a cost-effective tool for solving diffuse pollution problems. It also examines the consistency of this scheme with the consortium of environmental policies and regulations currently in place, as well as their legal viability and monitoring and control mechanisms.

The diversity of issues and contexts is one of the strengths of the CPES project, which will allow replicability to other catchment areas, thanks to the construction of a toolbox made available to all stakeholders concerned with the quality of the water.



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