



**Workshop**  
**“Post-release monitoring strategies in sturgeon restoration programs”**  
**&**  
**World Sturgeon Conservation Society General Assembly**  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 Bordeaux**

Irstea is pleased to host the WSCS General assembly in Bordeaux and at this occasion a workshop on “Post-release monitoring strategies in sturgeon restoration programs” is organized.

The workshop will be held on the **6<sup>th</sup> of April** from 9 am to 4 pm and will be followed by the WSCS General assembly 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

**Registration and location**

For the workshop participation, please register at [isabelle.halgand@irstea.fr](mailto:isabelle.halgand@irstea.fr) before the **14<sup>th</sup> March 2016**, the room space is limited to **60 people**.

No registration fees are required, the participation to the day include the morning and afternoon coffee break and the lunch.

If you have special food requirements, please indicate them in your e-mail when you register.

The workshop will take place in Bordeaux center at the Novotel Hotel, 45 cours du Maréchal Juin, 33000 Bordeaux Room “Saint-Pierre”.

Details for access: <http://www.novotel.com/fr/hotel-1023-novotel-bordeaux-centre/index.shtml#accessPart>

An informal dinner will be arranged in the evening for the participants (charged extra).

**Workshop tentative program**

Each presentation will last 15 min except the general introduction that will last 20 min. Between each presentation we allow 5 min for questions.

*8:30 Welcome and registration*

**9:00-9:20 General introduction** (H. Rosenthal, WSCS)

Session 1: Examples of monitoring strategies in different countries (moderator E. Rochard)

**9:30-9:50 Post release monitoring strategies for *Acipenser sturio* in France** (M.L. Acolas et al., IRSTEA)

**9:50-10:10 If they catch it, will they tell?** (J. Gessner et al., IGB, Germany)

**10:10-10:30 Lessons learned from post release monitoring of sturgeons stocked in the Lower Danube River, Romania (2013 - 2015)** (R. Suciú & T. Ionescu, Danube Delta National Institute-University of Lower Danube Galatz)

*10:30-10:50 Coffee break*



- 10:55-11:15** **Post-release monitoring of Dabry's sturgeon in the upper Yangtze River** (J.M. Wu et al., Yangtze River Fisheries Research Institute, Chinese Academy of Fishery Sciences)
- 11:15-11:35** **Present scenario of rehabilitation programs of the *Acipenser naccarii* in Italia** (P. Bronzi & L. Congiu, WSCS, Padua University)
- 11:35-11:55** **Short and long-term post release monitoring strategies for lake sturgeon in the Fox-Wolf System, Wisconsin, USA** (R. Bruch, Fisheries Consultant)

Session 2: Insights from specific studies (moderator J. Gessner)

- 12:00-12:20** **Monitoring of hatchery origin sturgeon following release into the wild: Insights from North American species** (J. Crossman et al., BC hydro)
- 12:20-12:40** **Post-release young of year behavior: acoustic tracking insights on *Acipenser sturio*** (E. Carrera Garcia, E. Rochard & M.L. Acolas, IRSTEA)
- 12:45-14:15 Lunch break*
- 14:20-14:40** **Massive Genetic tagging of released sturgeon fingerlings in the Caspian Sea basin - first results and future plans** (N. Mugue, VNIRO)
- 14:40-15:00** **Genetic monitoring of the stocked *Acipenser sturio* population in the Gironde Basin** (S. Roques, M.L. Acolas & P. Berrebi, IRSTEA-ISEM)

Session 3: To prepare the future (moderator M.L. Acolas)

- 15:00-15:20** **Post-Release Monitoring Strategies for Sterlets in the Upper Danube** (T. Friedrich, K. Pinter & G. Unfer, BOKU University of natural resources and life science, Vienna)
- 15:20-15:40** **Monitoring the state of the spawning ground for future return of *Acipenser sturio* in the Gironde** (N. Delage, J. Cachot, P. Jatteau & E. Rochard, IRSTEA-Bordeaux University)
- 15:40-16:00** **Which criteria to extend release and monitoring? A need for guidelines** (E. Rochard et al., IRSTEA-IGB)
- 16:00-16:30 Coffee break*
- 16:30-18:30** **WSCS General Assembly meeting**
- 20:00 Dinner*