



## Communication Activity Report

### Action

Type of activity	<i>Organisation of a Conference</i>
Name of activity	<i>Field Visit to Guadalhorce case study site Symposium on Connectivity in Mediterranean Rivers</i>
Link to activity	<a href="https://amber.international/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/AMBER-AGM-Malaga-03-06-September-2019.pdf">https://amber.international/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/AMBER-AGM-Malaga-03-06-September-2019.pdf</a> Workshop Programme: <a href="https://www.calameo.com/read/00404721702796abfdab6">https://www.calameo.com/read/00404721702796abfdab6</a>
Location	<i>La Térmica building (TBC) Avenida De los Guindos, 48, 29004 Málaga. <a href="https://www.latermicamalaga.com/">https://www.latermicamalaga.com/</a></i>
Date	<i>3rd September</i>
Presenter / host	<i>AEMS-Ríos con Vida &amp; AMBER project Coordination</i>

### Audience

Number of attending people	65
Type of audience	<i>Give an approximate number or % for each type of audience</i>
Scientific Community (Higher Education , Research)	70
Industry	
Civil Society	10
General Public	10
Policy Makers	10
Media	
Investors	
Customers	
Others	

### Results

Results from action	<p><i>The workshop had a total of 7 interventions, by those responsible for the management of the river basin, various study projects, conservation and restoration of river species and habitats, by researchers from the universities of Córdoba and Malaga, and from several AMBER teams participating in the Guadalhorce case study.</i></p> <p><i>The exposed projects and their conclusions are very relevant to question the persistent demand for the construction of new reservoirs among users of the water resource and in public opinion. Despite the advances made in knowledge and legal instruments and in light of the experience with floods, in numerous political and user forums in Spain, regulating the flow of water from large dams, in general, is still considered to be the only solution possible for flood control. However, from the perspective of comprehensive and adaptive management of river basins, it is very evident that these long-term strategies do not give the</i></p>
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	<i>expected results and not only do they not prevent floods, but instead contribute to increase the risk that entails. In Spain, especially in the basins with the most significant scarcity and water irregularity, there is still a large gap between the persistent demands of the sectors that use water and the flood zones - with the political speeches that reflect them - and the latest regulatory advances in flood planning and management in light of decades of experience and knowledge.</i>
Relation to AMBER Goals	<i>Development of the AMBER case study of the Guadalhorce river: exposition and dissemination of the environmental problems of the barriers installed in the basin, dialogue and debate on possible adaptive management measures by various experts and relevant stakeholders in the river basin.</i>

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