INNS Training in GB

RAFTS INNS and Biosecurity Programme: Experiences & Impacts
22 Biosecurity Plans finalised or under consultation covering 85% of Scotland

Strategic Mink Control in Northern Scotland
13 Trusts & 100+ volunteers

INN riparian plant control & eradication
12+ Trusts & 60+ staff & volunteers
  North Highlands
  South & SW Scotland
  Northeast Scotland
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- Awareness
- Surveys & Monitoring
- Surveillance & Reporting
- Biosecurity
- Training and Capacity Building

Water Fern
Who?

- Trust staff
- Other environmental professionals
- Agency staff (SNH & SEPA)
- Volunteers

American Signal Crayfish
Training

What?

- Identification (Aquatic Plants, Crayfish, Mink)
- Biology & Ecology (Riparian & aquatic plants, Crayfish, Mink)
- Legislation (Crayfish, Riparian Plants)
- Surveillance & Monitoring (Crayfish, Riparian Plants)
- Practical management (Riparian plants, mink)
- Biosecurity (Disinfection)

Japanese Knotweed
Training

How?

- Formal
  - Spraying certificates (PA6AW & PA6)

- Informal tailor made courses
  - Aquatic plants
  - Crayfish

- Other informal training
  - Surveillance & Monitoring
  - Biosecurity

- “On the job” training
What are future training needs?

- Determined by role of third sector
- Management of problematic species
- Certification for professionals and volunteers
- Training of trainers
- Risk Assessment
- Monitoring of impact of management