

Final Agenda
2nd Meeting on the Follow-up of the
Joint Statement on Inland Navigation and
Environmental Sustainability in the Danube River Basin

ISRBC, Zagreb
 March 9-10, 2010

Venue: Hotel “Dubrovnik”, Zagreb

The objectives of the meeting are to:

- inform about progress on the implementation of the *Joint Statement on Inland Navigation and Environmental Sustainability in the Danube River Basin*,
- discuss the further development and application of the *Joint Statement* and its implications (regular information exchange),
- inform and discuss new facts and perspectives of European inland waterway transport,
- inform and discuss the current state of legal and policy frameworks of integrated river basin management and environmental protection,
- inform about the state of IWT projects in the Danube basin.

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

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| 12:00 | Arrival and registration of participants | |
| | <i>Light Lunch</i> | |
| 13:00 | Welcome and introductory statements about the Joint Statement | Chair: Dejan Komatina, ISRBC <i>Branko Bačić, Chairman, ISRBC</i> <i>Pjotr Suvorov, on behalf of the President of Danube Commission</i> <i>Mitja Bricelj, President, ICPDR</i> |
| 13:45 | 1. Progress in navigation, environmental protection and regional development The EU Platina project and its implications for the Danube basin Perspectives for IWT in the Danube region from an NGO point of view Groundwater and environmental management in Slovakia EU Strategy for the Danube Region Implementation of WFD in the Danube basin Discussion | <i>Gert-Jan Muilerman, via donau</i> <i>Georg Rast, WWF</i> <i>Zoltan Hlavaty, Groundwater Consulting, Bratislava</i> <i>Marieke v. Nood, DG Env., on behalf of N. Vershelde (DG Regio)</i> <i>Marieke v. Nood, DG Environment</i> |

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| 15:30 | <i>Coffee break</i> | |
| 16:00 | <p>2. Current state of IWT bottleneck projects in Danube countries</p> <p>Germany (Straubing-Vilshofen)</p> <p>Austria (project east of Vienna)</p> <p>Slovakia (IWT and Environment)</p> <p>Serbia & Croatia</p> <p>Romania & Bulgaria (ISPA I and II projects)</p> <p>Sava river</p> <p>Discussion</p> | <p>Chair: Horst Schindler, DC</p> <p><i>Nicolai von Rimscha, Bavarian Ministry for Economy & Transport</i></p> <p><i>Leo Grill, Federal Ministry of Transport, Innovation and Technology;</i> <i>Markus Simoner, via donau</i></p> <p><i>Peter Čaky, Ministry of Transport;</i> <i>Vladimir Holčik, Ministry of Environment</i></p> <p><i>Zdenko Tadić, Hidroing (Croatia), on behalf of the Agency for IWT (Croatia) and Plovput (Serbia)</i></p> <p><i>Cristina Cuc, Ministry of Transport</i></p> <p><i>Željko Milković, ISRBC</i></p> |
| 18:00 | Conclusions of Day 1 | <i>Horst Schindler, DC</i> |
| 19:30 | <i>Joint dinner at the Restaurant Vinodol (10, Teslina street)</i> | |

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

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| 9:00 | Introduction | Chair: Philip Weller, ICPDR |
| 9:15 | <p>3. Practical aspects for sustainable IWT</p> <p>Interdisciplinary dialogue on IWT infrastructure preparation (Platina SWP 5.3): The draft Manual on integrated planning of IWT projects</p> <p>Discussion</p> | <i>Alexander Zinke, ICPDR</i> |
| 10:15 | <i>Coffee break</i> | |
| 10:45 | <p>4. Improving and securing the application of the Joint Statement</p> <p>Introduction of the JS system for information exchange</p> <p>Discussion</p> | <i>Dejan Komatina, ISRBC</i> |

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| 11:30 | Future perspectives of integrated waterway transport in Europe and the Joint Statement | <i>Karla Peijs, European Coordinator for Inland Waterways</i> |
| 11:45 | Discussion of future steps | |
| 12:30 | Results and conclusions of the workshop | <i>DC, ISRBC, ICPDR</i> |
| | Closure of the Meeting | |
| | <i>Snacks</i> | |