

8th Workshop on the Follow-up of the *Joint Statement on Guiding Principles on the Development of Inland Navigation and Environmental Protection in the Danube River Basin* Draft Agenda

Date: 13-14 September 2017

Venue: Hotel Panorama, Trg Krešimira Čosića 9, Zagreb, Croatia

The objectives of the meeting are to:

- Inform about progress on the implementation of the *Joint Statement on Guiding Principles on the Development of Inland Navigation and Environmental Protection in the Danube River Basin*
- Discuss challenges and solutions in relation to the practical application of the integrated planning approach and lessons learnt
- Inform and discuss new facts and perspectives of European inland waterway transport, including the EU *Danube Strategy*
- Ensure regular information exchange and presentation of new initiatives

DAY 1 • 13 September 2017

12:15	Arrival and registration of participants (coffee and light snack will be provided)	
13:00	Welcome and introductory statements	
	International Sava River Basin Commission (ISRBC) Danube Commission (DC) International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR)	<i>Dragan Zeljko, Sava Commission</i> <i>Petar Margic, Danube Commission</i> <i>Ivan Zavadsky, ICPDR</i>
13:15	Inland waterways and the environment – Policy developments relevant for the Danube region	
	Outlook for Danube navigation in the context of the Rhine-Danube Corridor	<i>Karla Peijs</i>
	EU policies on inland navigation and CEF supported projects – latest developments	<i>Desiree Oen, European Commission DG Move</i>
	EU environmental policies relevant for inland navigation – latest developments	<i>Raimund Mair, European Commission DG Environment</i>
	Discussion	
14:15	Overview current state of navigability and IWT projects in the Danube basin countries: Experiences with integrated planning and implementation	<i>Moderator: Ivan Zavadsky, ICPDR</i>
	<i>IWT projects are invited to indicate willingness to present recent practical experiences. Based on the feedback an updated agenda will be provided institutional and country presentations</i>	<i>Project representatives</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of navigability situation on Danube as of September 2016 - Austria -Slovakia -Croatia -Serbia -Romania – FAST Danube and SWIM project - Bulgaria 	<p><i>Danube Commission</i></p> <p><i>ViaDonau</i></p> <p><i>TBC</i></p> <p><i>Agency for Inland Waterways</i></p> <p><i>Plovput</i></p> <p><i>AFDJ</i></p> <p><i>TBC</i></p>
16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16:30	Panel discussion – Ongoing inland waterways infrastructure projects and sustainable and efficient transport on the Danube – viewpoints from an industry association and environment NGO community	<p><i>Panellists:</i></p> <p><i>Manfred Seitz, General Secretary Pro Danube International</i></p> <p><i>Representative of the WWF</i></p>
17:30	Conclusions day 1	
19:00	<i>Dinner – Sava Commission-venue: Hotel Panorama</i>	

DAY 2 • 14 September 2017

09:30	<p>Good Navigation Status - Improvement of the navigation conditions respecting environmental issues. The elements of Good Navigation Status to be achieved by 2030 for the various waterways in Europe</p> <p>- Presentation of the newest results of the Study on Good Navigation Status</p>	<p><i>Moderator: Petar Margić, Danube Commission</i></p> <p><i>Gert-Jan Muilerman</i></p>
10:00	<p>Development of technical advisory services for the implementation of the Danube part of the TEN-T Rhine Danube Corridor, in particular with regards to projects to improve sustainable navigation conditions – METEET</p>	<p><i>Desiree Oen, European Commission DG Move</i></p> <p><i>Consultant, Danube Commission, Host Country</i></p>
	Discussion	
10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:00	<p>Future plans and perspectives for enhancing navigation and environmental protection in the Danube and its navigable tributaries</p>	<p><i>Moderator: Dragan Zeljko, Sava Commission</i></p>
	EUSDR related developments - The Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan for the Danube and its navigable tributaries	<i>Gert-Jan Muilerman, EUSDR PA1a Technical Secretariat</i>
	New web portal on the DC web site	<i>DC</i>
12:00	Discussion and conclusions on key lessons learned and future steps in support of the implementation of the Joint Statement – panellists: SC, DC, ICPDR, EU	
13:00	<i>Closure of the workshop</i>	