

11th Meeting 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: 16-17 September 2020

Type of the meeting: Virtual

Hosting location: ISRBC, Kneza Branimira 29, Zagreb, Croatia

The objectives of the meeting are to:

- Ensure regular information exchange on the progress in the implementation of the *Joint Statement*;
- Inform and discuss new facts and perspectives of European inland waterway transport;
- Discuss challenges and solutions in relation to the practical application of an integrated planning approach and lessons learnt;
- Present and discuss a joint proposal of the three commissions on how to improve the Joint Statement follow-up process

DAY 1 • September 16, 2020

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| 9:30 | Testing of the connections and joining to the virtual meeting – 9:30 -10:00 | |
| 10:00 | Welcome and introductory statements | |
| | International Sava River Basin Commission (ISRBC) | <i>Dragan Zeljko, ISRBC</i> |
| | Danube Commission (DC) | <i>Manfred Seitz, DC</i> |
| | International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR) | <i>Ivan Zavadsky, ICPDR</i> |
| 10:15 | Inland waterways and the environment – Policy developments relevant for the Danube region | <i>Moderator: Dragan Zeljko, ISRBC</i> |
| | Outlook for Danube navigation in the context of the Rhine-Danube Corridor | <i>Karla Peijs, European Coordinator for the TEN-T Rhine-Danube Corridor</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>Jeanne Boughaba, European Commission DG ENV</i> |
| | Revised EUSDR Action Plan and its impact on PA1A, Status and outlook on Structural & Cohesion fund in financial period 2021-2027 | <i>Johann Magnuson, European Commission DG REGIO</i> |
| | Good Navigation Status (GNS) – Status of work and next steps for implementation | <i>Hugues van Honacker, European Commission DG MOVE</i> |
| | Questions & Answers | All participants |
| 11:45 | Break | |

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| 12:00 | Update on the status of navigability and waterway infrastructure projects in the Danube Basin countries | <i>Moderator: Ivan Zavadsky, ICPDR</i> |
| | Update on the Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan (FRMMP) for the Danube and its navigable tributaries) | <i>Viktoria Weissenburger, EUSDR PA1a Technical Secretariat</i> |
| | Wrap-up of ongoing & forthcoming waterway infrastructure projects in the Danube countries - Short overview presentations - max 10 min. | <i>Project representatives Croatia Serbia Austria Germany (Presentation will be given on the second day – September 17)</i> |
| | Selected Project Case: FAST DANUBE – Common sector Bulgaria – Romania | <i>Project representatives Romeo Soare, AFDJ Boshidar Yankov, APPD</i> |
| | Questions & Answers | All participants |
| 14:15 | Wrap-up of the 1 st day | <i>ICPDR, ISRBC, DC</i> |
| 14:30 | End of the 1 st day session | |

DAY 2 • September 17, 2020

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| 09:30 | Joining to the meeting possible from 9:30 -10:00 | |
| 10:00 | Panel on selected topic: Sediment management | <i>Moderator: Manfred Seitz, DC</i> |
| | Lessons learned and new requirements regarding sediment management - Keynote speech - Panel statements and discussion | <i>Keynote speaker: Helmut Habersack <u>Panelists:</u> Upper Danube: Markus Simoner, viadonau Middle Danube: Ivan Mitrovic, Plovput Lower Danube: Romeo Soare, AFDJ Environmental organisations: Tamas Gruber, WWF Hungary</i> |
| | Questions & Answers | All participants |
| 11:00 | Implementation issues of the Joint Statement & advisory services | <i>Moderator: Manfred Seitz, DC</i> |
| | Joint proposal of DC, ISRBC and ICPDR for the further development of the JS - Update of the Manual on Good Practices in Sustainable Waterway Planning (Platina Manual) - Improvement of the Joint Statement Process - Discussion Further development and adaptation of METEET (Mixed Environmental Transport External Expert Team) – METEET 2.0 | <i>ISRBC, ICPDR and DC</i> |
| 12:00 | <i>Break</i> | |

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| 12:15 | Key lessons learned and future steps in support to the implementation of the Joint Statement | <i>Representatives of the ISRBC, ICPDR and DC</i> |
| 12:50 | <i>Closure of the meeting</i> | <i>Dragan Zeljko, ISRBC</i> |
| 13:00 | <i>End of the meeting</i> | |

Guidance for the online meeting

Preparation of the meeting

- 1) Please inform the ISRBC if you plan to join the meeting ***no later than 9 September 2020***.
- 2) PowerPoint presentations should reach the ISRBC ***by 11 September 2020 at latest***.
- 3) Connection tests for virtual meeting will be performed **on 11 September 2020, from 10.00 to 11.00**.

Conduct of the meeting

- 1) The meeting will be organized using GoToMeeting or MS Teams platform.
- 2) The meeting will be audio recorded. The sole purpose of this recording is to facilitate the drafting of the minutes of the meeting.
- 3) Participants are invited to connect as soon as 9:30 in order to effectively start the meeting at 10:00
- 4) Other technical instructions related to the meeting will be provided in due course.

Confirmation of your participation, presentations and any inquiry related to technical issues should be addressed to Dusko Isaković (disakovic@savacommission.org).