Permanent Expert Group for Navigation
summary of activities performed since the previous session of the ISRBC

In accordance with its Program of work, the PEG.4 held the 7th meeting on June 10-12, 2008. The meeting took place in Belgrade.

The main issues of the meeting were:

- Continuation of work on Protocol on prevention of the water pollution caused by navigation
  The PEG.4 re-considered and discussed the above-mentioned document and, thereof, adopted changes and amendments on the text. The text is mostly finalized, and Secretariat will together with representative of Serbia propose the text of Annex and deliver consolidated draft Protocol with Annex to the members of the PEG.4 in order to obtain written statement of the members.

- Technical Rules for Vessels in the Sava River Basin
  The PEG.4 adopted text of the 15 chapters of the new document. Work will be continued on the next chapters.

- Amendments to the Decision 29/07 on adoption of the Marking Plan for the Sava River and Its navigable Tributaries for Year 2008
  PEG.4 adopted amendments to the Decision 29/07.

- Terms of Reference for Detailed Design for the Waterway Marking System on the Sava River and its Navigable Tributaries
  The PEG.4 re-considered and discussed the above-mentioned document and, thereof, adopted some changes. PEG.4 propose to find a possibility that states institutions from riparian countries responsible for this kind of works perform a Project. On the other hand, if there is no such possibility, before entering into tendering procedure additional consultations are necessary in order to confirm and express interests of some Sava riparian countries for this Project.

  Secretariat propose following conclusion: Secretariat shall explore, in accordance with the existing rules of the Sava Commission, that states institutions from riparian countries responsible for marking system perform a Project in accordance with the ToR and propose further steps for the next session of the Sava Commission.
o Definition of winter ports and winter shelters on the Sava River
   In accordance with the discussion on the meeting the Secretariat will prepare consolidated draft text of the Definition of winter ports and winter shelters on the Sava River and deliver it for the next meeting of PEG.4.

o Database on the Projects and Stakeholders Related to the Sava River Basin
   The members of the PEG.4 will fill in presented database with data about Projects and Stakeholders Related to the Sava River Basin in the field of navigation and deliver it to the Secretariat in the next 20 days

o Establishment of unified rules for radio communication in navigation
   The Secretariat delivered and presented the Establishment of unified rules for radio communication in navigation and PEG.4 will continue to work on this document.

   PEG.4 is of opinion that the work in the field of navigation in 2009 shall continue in the framework of the PEG.4 and Ad-hoc Expert group for RIS. If the unexpected additional works and tasks occur PEG.4 will propose establishment of additional ad-hoc expert groups in accordance with specific works and tasks.

Details on PEG NAV work are given in the enclosed document:
1. PEG.4-7th meeting-10-12.06.2008.- Report (Doc Nr: 2-08-2/10-2-PEG.4)
2. Draft Terms of Reference for Detailed Design for the Waterway Marking System on the Sava River and its Navigable Tributaries