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Minutes of the meeting

AD.1 Opening of the meeting

a. Welcome address

Mr. Zeljko opened the meeting and welcomed all the participants. He noted that all the Sava countries are represented at the meeting.

Full list of participants is attached to this report as Annex I.

b. Adoption of the Agenda

The draft Agenda has been appended by three additions that have been added under the last item 5 as follows:

- a. *Statement on flood management in the SRB*
- b. *Exchange of the real time data in the SRB*
- c. *Presentation "Flood Management in the Sava River Basin – Present Status and Future Needs" at the "Workshop on Transboundary Flood Risk Management" in Geneva*

✚ The Group has adopted the revised Agenda of the 10th PEG FP meeting. (Meeting doc: AD.1.b PEG FP10-adopted_agenda Ref.No.:3-09-6/2-PEG.3)

c. Report on the ISRBC activities and developments

Mr. Zeljko briefed the Group on the recent ISRBC activities and developments: the preparations for the oncoming 2nd Meeting of the Parties in June 2009, status of the preparation of Protocols and related forthcoming activities, on ongoing projects and those under preparation and developments in frames of the recently activated Ad-hoc HMI EG. Namely, among others, two new projects, the development of the Hydrometeorological Information & Flood Forecasting/Warning (HMIFFW) System in the SRB and the new hydrological study on the basin-wide level have been initiated.

(Meeting doc: AD.1.c. Presentation_ISRBC_PEG FP10)

AD.2 Realisation of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for 2008_FP issues

a. Position Paper for Flood Related Activities

The Chairman has reported that Draft Position Paper for Flood Related Activities has been prepared.

Due to the fact that the final meeting on the Protocol on Flood Protection is planned for the beginning of May, 2009, the Chairman suggested that the final version of the Position paper would be prepared after that meeting.

The Group supported the Chairman's position and agreed on following:

- ✚ Immediately after the abovementioned meeting, the working group (Zeljko, Pavlović, Babić-Mladenović) will prepare the final draft of the Position paper
- ✚ Harmonized text will be distributed to the Group
- ✚ The Position paper should be adopted by the Group on the next, 11th PEG FP Meeting

b. Characterisation, Review and Assessment of the Current Situation in Flood Management of the Sava Countries – presentation of the country reports

The Chairman has reported that:

- the country reports from Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia are submitted;
- Slovenian report is still missing

The collected country reports have been presented by the country representatives and reviewed with aim of harmonisation of all reports.

Thereafter the Group agreed on following:

- ✚ Reports from Serbia and Croatia have been accepted in submitted form;
- ✚ Report from Bosnia&Herzegovina should be additionally revised, shortened and translated to English and submitted until 10.04.2009;

The Slovenian member of the PEG FP informed the Group that he contacted the SC member from Slovenia in order to solve the problem.

c. Preparation of the Flood Management Chapter of the SRB Analysis Report

- ✚ The country reports on the Characterization, Review and Assessment of the Current Situation in Flood Management of the Sava Countries will be the basis for a flood management part of the SRBA Report;
- ✚ Secretariat shall prepare the final form of the Flood Management Chapter (or an Annex to the Sava RBA Report), based on the country reports and already collected information by means of forms.

d. Status of the other PEG FP activities planned for FY08

The Group reviewed the status of other activities planned for FY08 and concluded that:

- ✚ All activities planned for FY08 ,except those mentioned above, are fulfilled. are

AD.3 Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY2009

b. Work plan of the ISRBC_FP issues

Mr. Zeljko presented the new proposal of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for the FY2009 concerning the PEG FP. Most of the activities quoted in the Work Plan for the FY08, in the new plan have reached the phase of deeper elaboration, especially those under point 2.3 related to the Flood Mapping. The newly constituted Ah HMI EG now is the leading body for all the activities under item 2.4 Flood Forecasting and Warning.

- ✚ The Group accepted the proposal of the Work Plan_FP part.

(See meeting doc.: Ad.3.a. Work Plan of the ISRBC for 2009 FP issues).

c. Work program of the PEG FP for FY2009

Mr. Zeljko briefed the group on the proposal of the Work Programme of the PEG FP for FY2009.

- ✚ The Group adopted the Programme as proposed.

(See Meeting doc.: Ad.3.b. PEG FP Programme of work for the FY 2009).

AD.4 Priority projects for the Sava Commission

Mr. Zeljko presented to the Group the upgraded list of Priority projects of the Sava Commission. The Group agreed on the following adjustments:

- ✚ Taking into account that the Hydrological Study, Flood Mapping Study and project on Development and Upgrading of the HMIFFWS in the Sava River Basin are proposed as the priority projects the Group considers appropriate and realistic to remove the Flood Risk Assessment Study from the priority list in this moment.

(See Meeting doc.: Ad.4.a. Priority projects of the ISRBC).

AD.5 Any other issues

a. Statement on flood management in the SRB

According to the estimation that the procedure of entering into force of the Protocol on Flood Protection will last for at least two years and in order to facilitate the further FP Group activities in the transition phase, the Group considers that:

- ✚ a Statement on Flood Management in the SRB should be formulated and proposed to the Parties for adoption;
- ✚ The Statement should support current flood related activities of the Sava Commission and continuation of work in the period until the ratification of the Protocol on Flood protection;

b. Exchange of the real time data in the SRB

Some Group members initiated the question on the real time data exchange on the basin-wide level. Although these issues should be solved bilaterally, the Group agreed that discussion should go on the Sava RB level, as well. Further improvement of cooperation on the issue is expected especially in the frame of the Ad-hoc HMI EG.

c. Presentation "Flood Management in the Sava River Basin – Present Status and Future Needs" at the "Workshop on Transboundary Flood Risk Management" in Geneva

The Group welcomed the information that Ms. Babić-Mladenović is going to hold a presentation on the "Flood Management in the Sava River Basin – Present Status and Future Needs" at the oncoming "Workshop on Transboundary Flood Risk Management" in Geneva in April 2009.

The Next PEG FP meeting is scheduled for Jun 9-10, 2009, in Zagreb.

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Annex II. PEG FP10 - List of documents and presentations:

A. Documents:

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AD.1	PEG FP10_invitation_12-03-2009 (3-09-6/1-2-PEG.3)	↓						
AD.2	AD.1.b PEG FP10-adopted_agenda_24-03-2009 (3-09-6/2-2-PEG.3)	↓						
AD.3.a	Ad.3.a. Work Plan of the ISRBC for 2009_FP issues	↓						
AD.3.b	Ad.3.b. PEG FP Programme of work for the FY 2009	↓						
AD.4.a	Ad.4.a. Priority projects of the ISRBC	↓						

B. Presentations:

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AD.1.c	Dragan ZELJKO – SC Sekretariat: Update on the Activites of the Sava Commission	↓						