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MEETINGS AND COOPERATION

Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for 2009 – Status Report

No.	ACTIVITY AND OPERATIONAL TASKS	OUTCOMES / STATUS	NEXT STEPS / PROPOSAL / REMARK
1.	MEETINGS		
1.1	ORGANIZATION OF THE 2ND MEETING OF THE PARTIES		
1.1.1	Preparation of the Report on implementation of the FASRB and other related materials (Q1)	The Report and the Declaration have been prepared and distributed to the Parties prior to the meeting. After the meeting, the Report from the 2 nd MoP has been prepared, as well.	
1.1.2	Logistics and other organisational matters (Q1)	All the organizational matters have been worked out by the Organizational Board, and in permanent contacts between the Secretariat and the relevant ministries from Serbia.	
1.1.3	PR activities in all Parties (Q1)	The outcomes include communication with the nominated contacts for the PR activities, preparation of the Press Release and Background Information, and press clipping after the meeting.	
1.2	ORGANIZATION OF SESSIONS AND MEETINGS		
1.2.1	Organization of sessions of the ISRBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 12th Special Session (May 6-7, 2009) - 13th Special Session (September 22-23, 2009) 	
1.2.2	Organization of meetings of the ISRBC expert groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PEG RBM meetings: 12th, 13th, 14th - PEG APC meetings: 10th, 11th - PEG FP meetings: 11th, 12th - PEG NAV meetings: 10th 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ad-hoc</i> GIS EG meetings: 3rd - <i>Ad-hoc</i> HM EG meetings: 2nd - <i>Ad-hoc</i> L EG meetings: 8th, 9th - <i>Ad-hoc</i> FIN EG meetings: 3rd - Meetings of the Task Group for development of the draft Protocol on Sediment Management: 4th, 5th, 6th 	
1.2.3	Organization of the workshop on „Integrated planning of inland waterway transport projects“, within the PLATINA project (jointly with the ICPDR) (Q1)	The workshop was held on June 9-10, 2009, in Zagreb. Report from the Workshop was presented at the 13 th ISRBC Special Session.	
1.2.4	Organization of a meeting with secretaries of European river commissions (Q2)	The meeting was held on August 24-25, 2009, in Zagreb. For the first time, the meeting was attended not only by representatives of the river protection commissions, but also by representatives of the river navigation commissions. The UNECE (both Environment and Transport Divisions), EEA and EU FP7 RISKBASE project were represented at the meeting, as well.	
1.2.5	Organization of other meetings (e.g. with Portmaster Offices Captains, shipping industry representatives, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting with Portmaster Offices Captains (Ljubljana, October 1-2, 2009) - Meeting on the operation of PIAC in Serbia (Belgrade, September 11, 2009) - Meetings for presentation of BIOSSED and WACOSS projects to TCP SEE national focal points of the Parties (Belgrade and Zagreb, December 1, 2009; Ljubljana, December 8, 2009; Sarajevo, December 14, 2009) 	
1.2.6	Organization of the workshop on Integrated Transboundary Water Resources Management in SEE	The workshop was organized by UNECE and RCC, in cooperation with GWP-Med and the ISRBC (May 18-20, 2009). Report from the Workshop was presented at the 13 th ISRBC Special Session.	
2. COOPERATION			
2.1 PARTICIPATION AT MEETINGS			
2.1.1	Participation at meetings of relevant international organizations (ordinary and special meetings) (cont.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sessions of the Danube Commission: 72nd, 73rd - Meetings of the ICPDR: 7th Standing Working Group Meeting, 12th Ordinary Meeting - 5th Meeting of the Parties to the UNECE Water Convention 	

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2.1.2	Participation at work of related expert groups (cont.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting of EC Joint Working Group on Technical Rules for Inland Waterway Ships - Meetings of the DC WG for Technical Issues of Navigation - ICPDR RBM EG Meetings: 29th, 30th - ICPDR PP EG Meetings: 6th - Meetings of the UNECE Working Group on CEVNI: 6th, 7th - Sessions of the UNECE Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation – SC.3/WP.3: 35th, 36th - 53rd Session of the UNECE Working Party on Inland Water Transport SC.3 - 4th UNECE Integrated Water Resources Management Working Group Meeting 	
2.1.3	Participation at workshops, seminars, conferences, etc., for presentation of the ISRBC activities and results (cont.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regional Hydrometeorological Workshop - International Roundtable on tourist potentials of Posavina - Conference “Smart Rivers 21” - Conference “Dunav – reka saradnje” - GIS Forum - WWF Conference on Sustainable Hydropower - Conference “Grad Zagreb – juče, danas, sutra“ - Meeting of regional chambers of commerce of the Parties to the FASRB - PIDIN Meeting - Meetings related to preparation of applications to SEE TCP - UNESCO/IHP Danube Regional Meeting 	
2.1.4	Meetings for implementation of bilateral agreements of the Parties to the FASRB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two meetings of B&H and HR representatives (navigation) 	
2.1.4	Cooperation with relevant external projects (cont.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1st NEWADA Advisory Council Meeting - 1st WANDA Advisory Expert Group Meeting - PLATINA: 2nd PSC Meeting, 1st & 2nd Training Workshops - RISKBASE Workshop and Final Conference - SedNet Roundtable Discussion - DIKTAS Final Validation Workshop - 1st and 2nd Steering Committee Meetings for the Croatian IPA Sava Navigation Project 	

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2.2	COOPERATION WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS		
2.2.1	UNECE	In addition to participation in the working groups and the meetings organized in the UNECE framework (listed above), the ISRBC participated in the preparation of the assessment of transboundary waters in SEE by providing data relevant for the Sava river basin.	
2.2.1	UNESCO	<p>Several contacts have been made in order to discuss possible modes of cooperation between UNESCO and ISRBC. There are two potential ISRBC projects, complementary to the Sava RBM Plan, that are likely to be supported by UNESCO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - stakeholder analysis and involvement strategy in the Sava river basin (joint participation of UNESCO with GWP-Med and ISRBC), - sediment balance in the Sava river basin (implementation within the UNESCO International Hydrological Programme to be considered). 	
2.2.1	OSCE	The list of topics for possible further cooperation has been sent to the OSCE, following the acceptance of the ISRBC at the 4 th Regular Session, and resent after the OSCE's participation at the 2 nd Meeting of the Parties to the FASRB. The official response of the OSCE was received prior to the 13 th Special Session of the ISRBC. In accordance with the conclusion from the 13 th Special Session, a reply has been sent to the OSCE.	