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REPORT
from the 21st Session
of the International Sava River Basin Commission

June 8th, 2010
Zagreb

I Attendance

The International Sava River Basin Commission held the 21st Session (as a special session) in Zagreb, on June 8th, 2010. Representatives of the Parties to the FASRB – members and deputy members of the Sava Commission attended the Session: Mr. Branko Bačić (Croatia) – Member, Mr. Savo Gluvić (B&H) – Deputy Member, Mr. Miladin Avramov (Serbia) – Deputy Member, Mr. Mitja Bricelj (Slovenia) – Member, Mr. Aleksander Čičerov (Slovenia) – Deputy Member.

Ms. Sanja Genzić (Cro) and Ms. Marina Ivica-Matkovac (Cro) attended the Session as experts.

II Chairmanship

Mr. Branko Bačić (Croatia) chaired the Session.

III Adoption of the agenda

AD. 1 – Adoption of the agenda

Conclusion:

1. The agenda is adopted (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-1/2-3) as follows:

- 1. Adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for 2009**
 - 2.1. Water management issues**
 - 2.1.1. Work of the PEG for River Basin Management
 - 2.1.2. Work of the PEG for Accident Prevention and Control

2.1.3. Work of the PEG for Flood Prevention

2.2. Navigation issues

2.2.1. Work of the PEG for Navigation

2.2.2. Work of the *Ad-hoc* RIS EG

2.3. Information management

2.3.1. Work of the *Ad-hoc* GIS EG

2.4. Hydrological and meteorological issues

2.4.1. Work of the *Ad-hoc* HM EG

2.5. Projects

2.6. Meetings and cooperation

2.7. Promotion activities

2.8. Protocols to the FASRB

2.9. Legal issues

2.9.1. Work of the *Ad-hoc* Legal EG

2.10. Financial issues

2.10.1. Work of the *Ad-hoc* Financial EG

3. Sava Day 2010

4. Other business

5. Adoption of the Report from the Session

IV Conclusions

AD. 2 – Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for 2009

2.1 Water Management issues

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-2/1-2) for the water management issues.***
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the expert groups in FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-2/2-2) for the water management issues.***
- 3. The Secretariat shall, based on discussion at the 17th Meeting of the PEG RBM, define relevant key stakeholders to be invited on the workshop on key water management issues for the Sava River Basin to be held in September 2010, tentatively. The Sava Commission representatives should also be invited to the workshop.***

2.1.1 Work of the Permanent Expert Group for River Basin Management (PEG RBM)

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the PEG RBM performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-3/1-2).**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Reports from the 15th Meeting (Doc. No. 3-09-23/3-2) and 16th Meeting (Doc. No. 3-09-23/4-2) of the PEG RBM.**

2.1.2 Work of the Permanent Expert Group for Accident Prevention and Control (PEG APC)

Conclusion:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the PEG APC performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-4/1-2).**

2.1.3 Work of the Permanent Expert Group for Flood Prevention (PEG FP)

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the PEG FP performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-5/1-2).**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Reports from the 13th Meeting (Doc. No. 3-10-1/3-2-PEG FP) and 14th Meeting (Doc. No. 3-10-7/3-2-PEG FP) of the PEG FP.**

2.2 Navigation issues

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-6/1-2) for the navigation issues.**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the expert groups in FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-6/2-2) for the navigation issues.**

2.2.1 Work of the PEG for Navigation (PEG NAV)

Conclusion:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the PEG NAV performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-7/1-2).**

2.2.2 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for RIS

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc RIS EG performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-8/1-2).**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Report from the 1st Meeting of the Ad-hoc RIS EG (Doc. No. 2-09-2/3-2- Ad-hoc RIS EG).**

2.3 Information Management

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-9/1-2) in regard to Information Management.**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc GIS EG performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-9/2-2).**
- 3. The Sava Commission passed Decision 09/10 on establishment of the Technical Steering Committee for implementation of the initial phase of the Sava GIS establishment.**

The International Sava River Basin Commission has adopted following

DECISION – 09/10

- ❖ **On establishment of the Technical Steering Committee for implementation of the initial phase of the Sava GIS establishment, consisting of the members of the Ad-hoc GIS EG as follows:**
- 1. Ms. Bojana Horvat, Croatian Waters, Zagreb, Croatia;**
 - 2. Mr. Aleš Veršič, Environment Agency of the Republic of Slovenia, Ljubljana, Slovenia;**
 - 3. Mr. Hajrudin Mičivoda, Agency for the Sava river catchment area, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina;**
 - 4. Mr. Miloš Stanić, Faculty of Civil Engineering, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia.**

2.3.1 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for GIS

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc GIS EG performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-10/1-2).**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Report from the 4th Meeting of the Ad-hoc GIS EG (Doc. No. 3-10-5/2-2-GIS EG).**
- 3. After the Republic of Slovenia nominates the new member to the Ad-hoc GIS EG, the Sava Commission shall, accordingly, pass decision in written procedure.**

2.4 Hydrological and Meteorological issues

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-11/1-2) in regard to Hydrological and Meteorological Issues.**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc EG for Hydrological and Meteorological Issues (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-11/2-2).**

2.4.1 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for Hydrological and Meteorological Issues (Ad-hoc HM EG)

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc HM EG performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-12/1-2).**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Report from the 3rd Meeting of the Ad-hoc HM EG (Doc. No. 3-10-2/2-2).**

2.5 Projects

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-13/1-2) in regard to projects.**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Information on the UNECE Sava Pilot project “Facilitating the joint flood risk management activities in the Sava river basin” (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-13/2-2), officially titled as “Building the link between Flood Risk Management Planning and climate change assessment in the Sava River Basin”, and thereof, concluded that once the Memo of Understanding, regarding the realization of the project, with UNECE was agreed, the Sava Commission should pass the Decision on acceptance/signing of the stated Memo of Understanding in written procedure.**
- 3. The Sava Commission took note on Information on the project “Sediment balance for the Sava River” (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-13/3-2).**
- 4. The Sava Commission took note on Report from the meeting with representatives of the Parties related to development of nautical tourism in the Sava river basin (Zagreb, 31 March 2010) and considered the Proposal on participation of the ISRBC in development of “Atlas of nautical tourism in the Sava river basin”. Hereof, the Sava Commission approved the participation of the Secretariat under the project on Atlas of nautical tourism on the Sava River in accordance with the requirements stated under the Secretariat’s Memo addressed to the “Economic Region in the Sava River Basin”.**

2.6 Meetings and cooperation

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-14/1-2) in regard to Meetings and Cooperation.**
- 2. The Sava Commission shall urgently organize the meeting (tentatively on June 17th 2010) with the national coordinators for the Danube Strategy with regard to realization of the Sava Commission's list of projects in order to get the feedback on status of the stated projects under the Danube Strategy process and to define all outstanding issues.**
- 3. The Sava Commission shall prepare the recommendation in light of the Sava Commission's projects under framework of the Danube Strategy. Such recommendation shall be approved in written procedure.**

2.7 Promotion activities for 2009

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-15/1-2) in regard to promotion activities.**
- 2. The Sava Commission accepted the General PR Plan (Doc. No. 7-10-1/2-2) and approved the Framework Biennial Communication Plan of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 7-10-1/4-2).**

2.8 Protocols to the FASRB

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-16/1-2) in regard to Protocols to the FASRB.**
- 2. The Sava Commission agreed that the Meeting on final harmonization of the Protocol on sediment management to the FASRB would be tentatively held in October 2010.**
- 3. The Secretariat shall deliver the Sava Commission additional explanation on Protocol on transboundary impacts to the FASRB in order to get final standpoint of the Parties to the FASRB on the stated protocol for the next session of the Sava Commission.**
- 4. The Sava Commission shall organize the Roundtable on Protocol on Emergency Situations to the FASRB, for respective expert and high level recommended by the Sava Commission representatives, in September 2010, tentatively.**

2.9 Legal issues

Conclusion:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-17/1-2) in regard to legal issues and Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc EG for Legal Issues (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-17/2-2).**

2.9.1 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for Legal Issues

Conclusions:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc EG for Legal Issues performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-18/1-2).**
- 2. The Sava Commission took note on Report from the 11th Meeting (Doc. No. 5-10-3/2-2-L-EG) and 12th Meeting (Doc. No. 5-10-5/2-2-L-EG) of the Ad-hoc EG for Legal Issues.**

2.10 Financial issues

Conclusion:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-19/1-3) in regard to financial issues and Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc FIN EG (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-19/2-3).**

2.10.1 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for Financial Issues

Conclusion:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc EG for Financial Issues performed since the previous session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-21-O-10-20/1-2).**

AD. 3 – Celebration of the Sava Day 2010

Conclusion:

- 1. The Sava Commission took note on presentation of the Sava Day 2010 Celebration held on June 1st 2010 in Gradiška (BiH). The Sava Commission expressed its gratitude to the host of the Sava Day 2010 Celebration – Municipality of Gradiška and recognized the good organization of the event in general.**

AD. 4 – Other Business

No issue was discussed under this agenda item.

AD. 5 – Adoption of the Report from the Session

Conclusion:

- 1. The Sava Commission adopted the Report from the 21st Session.**