REPORT  
from the 24th Session  
of the International Sava River Basin Commission  

October 26-27, 2010  
Zagreb

I Attendance

The International Sava River Basin Commission held the 24th Session (as a special session) in Zagreb, on October 26-27, 2010. Representatives of the Parties to the FASRB – members and deputy members of the ISRBC attended the Session: Mr. Branko Bačić (Croatia) – Member, Mr. Kemal Karkin (B&H) – Member, Mr. Savo Gluvić (B&H) – Deputy Member, Mr. Aleksandar Prodanović (Serbia) – Member, Mr. Aleksander Ćičerov (Slovenia) – Deputy Member.

Ms. Marina Ivica-Matkovac (Cro), Ms. Dragana Milovanović (Ser) and Mr. Robert Kojc (Slo) attended the Session as experts.

II Chairmanship

Mr. Branko Bačić (Croatia) and Mr. Aleksandar Prodanović (Serbia) chaired the Session.

III Adoption of the agenda

AD. 1 – Adoption of the agenda

Conclusion:

1. The agenda is adopted (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-1/1-3) as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Report on tasks and duties regarding Decisions and Conclusions from the previous Sessions of the ISRBC

3. Proposal of the long-term Program of Work of the ISRBC
4. Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2010

4.1. Water management issues
   4.1.1. Work of the PEG for River Basin Management
   4.1.2. Work of the PEG for Accident Prevention and Control
   4.1.3. Work of the PEG for Flood Prevention

4.2. Navigation issues
   4.2.1. Decisions related to navigation
   4.2.2. Work of the PEG for Navigation
   4.2.3. Work of the Ad-hoc EG for RIS

4.3. Information management
   4.3.1. Work of the Ad-hoc EG for GIS

4.4. Hydrological and meteorological issues
   4.4.1. Work of the Ad-hoc EG for Hydrological and Meteorological Issues

4.5. Projects

4.6. Meetings and cooperation

4.7. Promotion activities

4.8. Protocols to the FASRB

5. Internal issues (closed session)

6. Other business

7. Date and preliminary agenda for the next Session of the ISRBC

8. Adoption of the Report from the Session

IV Conclusions

AD. 2 – Report on tasks and duties regarding Decisions and Conclusions from the previous Sessions of the ISRBC

Conclusions:
1. The ISRBC took note on Report on tasks and duties regarding Decisions and Conclusions from the previous Session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-0-10-2/1-2).

2. The ISRBC took note that the Decision 16/10 on acceptance of the Memorandum of understanding for grant between United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and International Sava River Basin Commission was adopted in written procedure on July 20 2010.
AD. 3 – Proposal of the long-term Program of Work of the ISRBC

Conclusions:

1. The ISRBC considered the proposed Program of Work of the ISRBC for the period 2011-2015 (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-3/1-2). The Secretariat shall further amend the document in accordance with the on-the-session discussion.

2. The Secretariat shall deliver the initial draft of the updated Strategy on Implementation of the FASRB to the ISRBC by 12 November 2010, for verification of its structure, prior to further development of the document by the ISRBC expert groups.

AD. 4 – Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2010

4.1 Water Management issues

Conclusion:


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

Conclusions:

1. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the PEG RBM performed since the 21st session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-4/1-2).

2. The ISRBC took note on Reports from the 17th Meeting (Doc. No. 3-10-8/3-2-PEG RBM) and 18th Meeting of the PEG RBM (Doc. No. 3-10-15/2-2-PEG1).

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

Conclusions:

1. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the PEG APC performed since the 21st session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-6/1-2).

2. The ISRBC took note on Report from the 12th Meeting of the PEG APC (Doc. No. 4-10-1/2-2).

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

Conclusions:

1. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the PEG FP performed since the 21st session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-7/1-2).
2. The ISRBC took note on Report from the 15th Meeting of the PEG FP (Doc. No. 3-10-13/3-2).


4.2 Navigation issues

Conclusion:

1. The ISRBC took note on Status Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2010 (Doc. No. 1S-24-0-10-8/1-2) for the navigation issues and the Summary of activities of the expert groups in FY 2010 (Doc. No. 1S-24-0-10-8/2-2) for the navigation issues.

4.2.1 Decisions related to Navigation

Conclusions:

1. The ISRBC considered the proposed Amendments to the Decision 30/07 on adoption of the Navigation Rules on the Sava River Basin, and, thereof, passed the Decision 19/10 on Amendments to the Decision 30/07 on adoption of the Navigation Rules on the Sava River Basin.

2. The Draft Decision on the establishment of a coordinating body for further implementation of the project “Rehabilitation and Development of the Sava River Waterway” shall be considered on next session of the ISRBC.

The International Sava River Basin Commission has adopted following

DECISION – 19/10

❖ Text of the Amendments to the Decision 30/07 on adoption of the Navigation Rules on the Sava River Basin and Consolidated text of the Navigation Rules on the Sava River Basin are attached to this Decision as its integral parts.

❖ Parties shall adopt the measures necessary to implement this Decision and notify the ISRBC.

❖ This Decision shall be binding for the Parties unless any of the ISRBC members withdraws his vote within 30 days after the decision has been adopted, or informs the ISRBC that the Decision is subject to the approval of the relevant authority of his State.

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❖ If no member withdraws his vote nor informs the ISRBC that the Decision is subject to the approval of the relevant authority of his State, the Decision shall enter into force on November 27, 2010, and shall apply as of June 1, 2011.

❖ Upon entry into force, this Decision shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in the Parties.
The ISRBC Secretariat shall notify the Parties of the entry into force of the Decision.

4.2.2 Work of the PEG for Navigation (PEG NAV)

Conclusions:
1. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the PEG NAV performed since the 21st session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-9/1-2).
2. The ISRBC took note on Report from the 12th Meeting of the PEG NAV (Doc. No. 2-10-2/8-2-PEG NAV).
3. After all data are collected and the Marking Plan of the Sava River and its navigable tributaries is completed, the decision on its adoption shall be passed in written procedure.

4.2.3 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for RIS

Conclusions:
1. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc EG for RIS performed since the 21st session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-10/1-2).
2. The ISRBC took note on Report from the 2nd Meeting of the Ad-hoc EG for RIS (Doc. No. 2-10-5/5-2-Ah RIS EG).

4.3 Information Management

Conclusion:

4.3.1 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for GIS

Conclusion:
1. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc GIS EG performed since the 21st session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-12/1-2).

4.4 Hydrological and Meteorological issues

Conclusions:
2. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc EG for Hydrological and Meteorological Issues (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-13/2-2).
4.4.1 Work of the Ad-hoc EG for Hydrological and Meteorological Issues (Ad-hoc HM EG)

Conclusion:
1. The ISRBC took note on Summary of activities of the Ad-hoc HM EG performed since the 21st session of the ISRBC (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-14/1-2).

4.5 Projects

Conclusion:

4.6 Meetings and cooperation

Conclusion:
1. The ISRBC took note on Status Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2010 (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-16/1-2) in regard to Meetings and Cooperation.

4.7 Promotion activities

Conclusion:
1. The ISRBC took note on Status Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2010 (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-17/1-2) in regard to promotion activities.

4.8 Protocols to the FASRB

Conclusion:
1. The ISRBC took note on Status Report on Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2010 (Doc. No. 1S-24-O-10-18/1-2) in regard to Protocols to the FASRB.

AD. 5 – Internal issues (closed session)

AD. 6 – Other Business

No issue was discussed under this agenda item.

AD. 7 – Date and preliminary agenda for the next Session of the ISRBC

Conclusions:
1. **25th Session of the ISRBC will be tentatively held on January 25-26, 2011, with following tentative agenda:**

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Report on tasks and duties regarding Decisions and Conclusions from the previous Sessions of the ISRBC
4. Strategy on implementation of the FASRB
5. Third Meeting of the Parties to the FASRB
6. Realization of the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2010
   6.1. Water Management issues
      6.1.1. Work of the PEG for River Basin Management
      6.1.2. Work of the PEG for Accident Prevention and Control
      6.1.3. Work of the PEG for Flood Prevention
   6.2. Navigation issues
      6.2.1. Decisions related to navigation
      6.2.2. Work of the PEG for Navigation
      6.2.3. Work of the *Ad-hoc* EG for RIS
   6.3. Information management
      6.3.1. Work of the *Ad-hoc* EG for GIS
   6.4. Hydrological and meteorological issues
      6.4.1. Work of the *Ad-hoc* EG for Hydrological and Meteorological Issues
   6.5. Projects
   6.6. Meetings and cooperation
   6.7. Promotion activities
   6.8. Protocols to the FASRB
7. Internal issues
   7.1. Financial issues
      7.1.1. Status of regular contributions and other funds
      7.1.2. Proposal of the Budget of the ISRBC for FY 2011
      7.1.3. Non-binding outline of the Budget of the ISRBC for FY 2012 and FY 2013
      7.1.4. Work of the *Ad-hoc* EG for Financial Issues
   7.2. Legal issues
      7.2.1 Work of the *Ad-hoc* EG for Legal Issues
   7.3. Other internal issues
8. Other business
9. Date and preliminary agenda for the next Session of the ISRBC
10. Adoption of the Report from the Session

AD. 8 – Adoption of the Report from the Session

**Conclusion:**

1. The ISRBC adopted the Report from the 24th Session.