



# Webinar on Transport in the Balkan and the Black Sea region

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# **General overview**

December 2010: EC Communication on European Union Strategy for Danube Region (EUSDR) -COM(2010) 715 and Action Plan -SEC(2010) 1489

February 2011: EUSDR Priority Areas Coordinators were established

June 2011: start of EUSDR activities and first Steering Group meeting for PA 1a – To improve mobility and multimodality: Inland waterways

April 2020: Revised Action Plan - **SWD(2020) 59 final** 





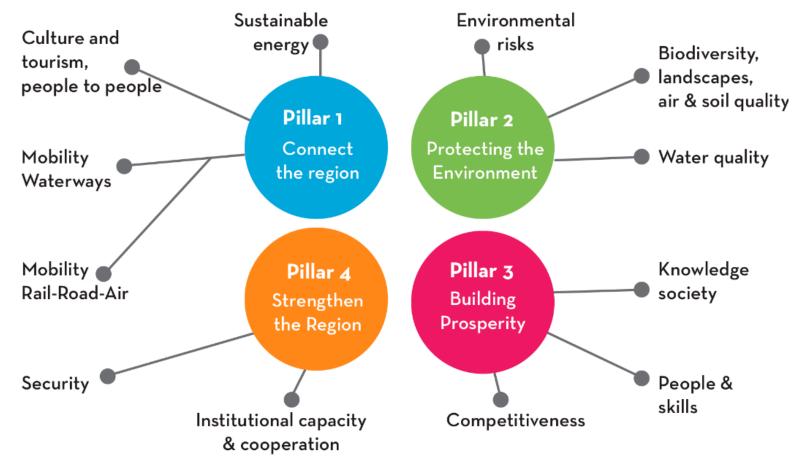
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# **General overview**





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# Main action areas of Priority Area 1a



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# Six thematic areas – six actions – six Working Groups



Action 1: Contribute to improve waterway and port infrastructure & management

**Action 2: Foster business development** 

Action 3: Facilitate fleet modernisation

Action 4: Support the further roll-out and enhancement of River Information Services

Action 5: Contribute to the enhanced quality of education and jobs

Action 6: Contribute to the simplification, harmonisation and digitalisation of administrative processes







# PA1a Working Group 1: Waterway and port infrastructure and management



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# Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan (FRMMP)

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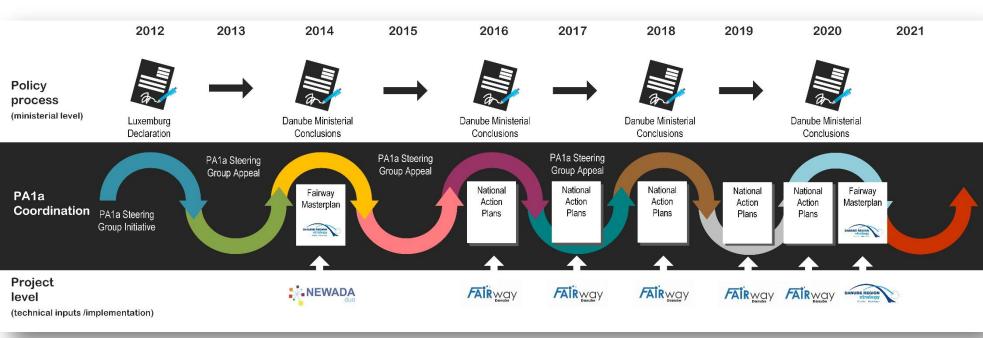
- Main objective: establish stable fairway conditions along the entire Danube
- Initiated in April 2014 by Danube Region Strategy (Priority Area 1a)
- Prepared in close cooperation with PA1a, the European Commission and the Danube waterway administrations
- Endorsed every 2 years by the majority of Danube Transport Ministers; last one in June 2020
  - Implemented in large parts through the FAIRway Danube project (Connecting Europe Facility)







## Successful interplay between policy and projects

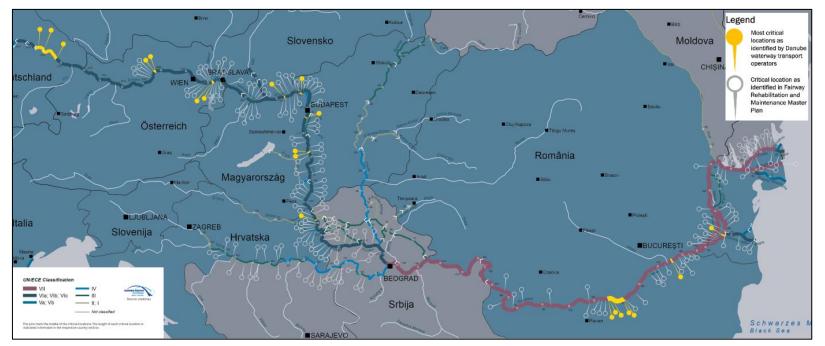








- > Lists critical locations as regards fairway rehabilitation and maintenance
  - below 2.5m fairway depth (ENR) and specified fairway widths
  - Identified by waterway administrations and Danube users



Specifies the required national measures and additional investments needed to reach recommended minimum Levels of Service

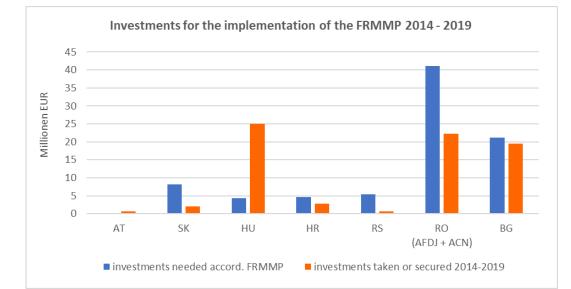






## Key achievements since the endorsement of the FRMMP in 2014

- Iarge number of implementation projects (FAIRway Danube, FAST Danube, HUMARK, ...)
  - → EU co-financing is a crucial enabler for these investments (mainly CEF, Operational Programmes, IPA)



→ Investments 2014-2019: more than 70 million EUR







## Key achievements since the endorsement of the FRMMP in 2014

efforts are starting to bear fruit on the ground

 *fairway conditions are improving at several critical locations*

#### selected impressions









# PA1a Working Group 2: Business development



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# PA1a actions to support business development

The objective of this action is to support transnational initiatives to promote inland waterway transport and business development in order to raise the modal share of inland waterway transport in the Danube Region.

#### **Planned actions:**

- Set up regular stakeholder meetings to identify waterway user needs on a continuous basis
- Conduct market analyses to identify promising market segments for Danube navigation
- Contribute to international business-to-business meetings (e.g. Danube Business Talks) by means of organizational support and content









# PA1a Working Group 3: Facilitate fleet modernisation



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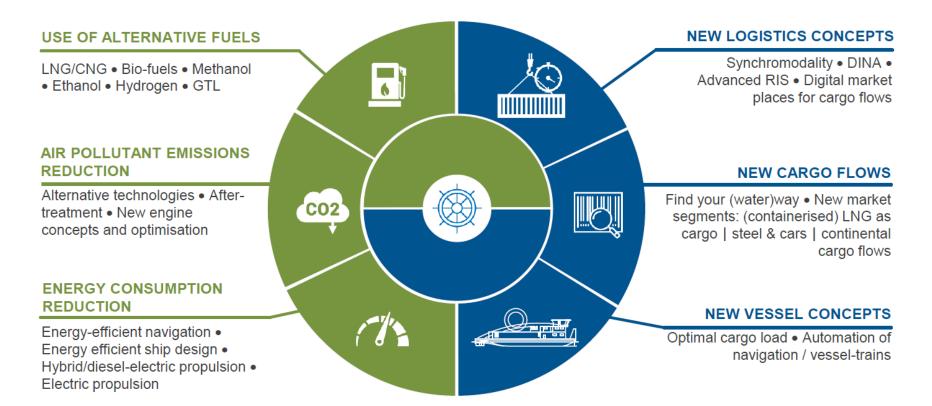








# **DANUBE IWT MODERNISATION**





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# PA1a Working Group 4: Support the further roll – out and enhancement of River Information Services



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The objective of this action is to continuously implement and improve harmonised River Information Services (RIS) on the Danube and its navigable tributaries according to legal provisions on European level and to ensure international data exchange.

In order to achieve this, PA 1a will promote the creation and use of serviceoriented, timely and user-friendly information on site and online on current and future fairway conditions. Effectiveness and efficiency of traffic management can be further improved with the help of better traffic information.

Furthermore, the establishment of RIS-based solutions for logistics and transport management purposes is supported, facilitating the integration of other modes of transport.



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# RIS COMEX project - RIS Corridor Management Execution Definition Corridor Management

"Corridor Management is defined as information services among fairway authorities mutually and with waterway users and related logistic partners in order to optimise use of inland navigation corridors within the network of European waterways"





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# PA1a Working Group 5: Contribute to the enhanced quality of education and jobs



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The objective of this action is to solve the shortage of qualified personnel and harmonise standards for competences for crew professions in Danube navigation.

In order to achieve this, PA 1a will support the Danube-wide application of EU Directive 2017/2397 on the recognition of professional qualifications not only in EU Member States, but also in non-EU riparian states.

Furthermore, this action will identify measures to increase the availability of nautical personnel, the attractiveness of jobs in the sector, and the spreading of knowledge on Danube navigation to future decision makers and dispatchers of logistic supply chains.



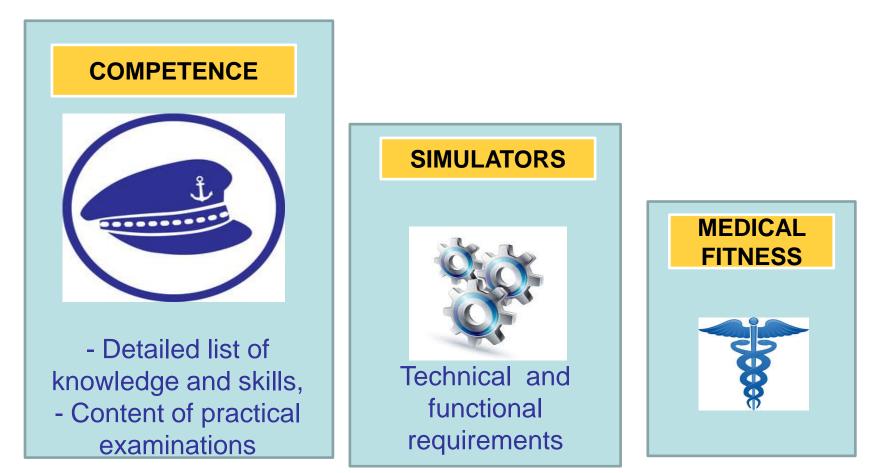
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#### **ES-QIN** overview





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EU Directive 2017/2397 on the recognition of professional qualifications

The directive provides for the setting up of **an information system to facilitate the exchange of data** on certificates of qualification, service record books and logbooks between the authorities in charge of the implementation and enforcement of the directive.



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# Joint PA1a/PA11 Working Group 6: Harmonisation and digitalisation of cross-border administrative procedures



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# **Starting point: Danube region**



- Not all Danube riparian states are in the EU / not all EU states are in the Schengen area:
  - -> necessary **border checks** for passengers & crews
  - -> required **customs clearance** for imports & exports
- Complicated administrative processes, missing coordination across Danube riparian states and multiple submission of the same data



Significant competitive disadvantage for IWT on the Danube and its tributaries

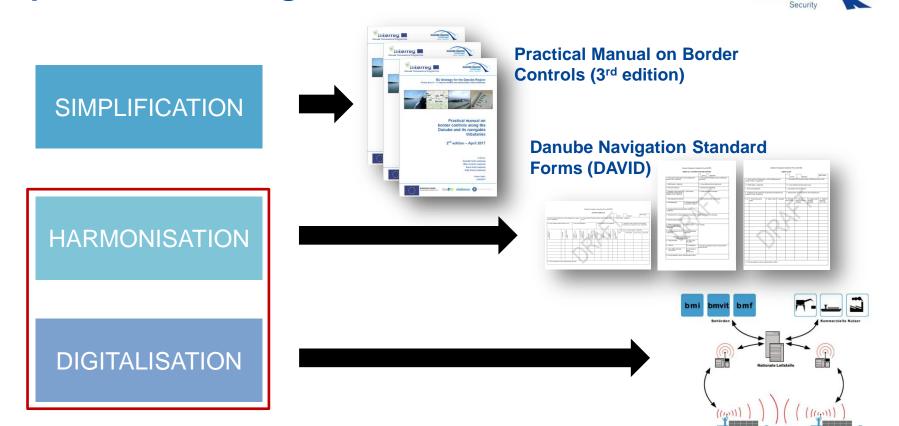








# Common vision for better border control procedures along the Danube





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# **Danube Navigation Standard Forms (DAVID)**



#### Harmonisation of three selected control forms across all Danube riparian states:

- Arrival and Departure Report
- Crew List
- Passenger List

**April 2018:** Agreement on technical level on final forms

2020: Introduction on national level

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# **Introduction of DAVID forms**

| Country  | Introduction date<br>1 <sup>st</sup> quarter of 2020<br>1st phase countries | Introduction date<br>latest by 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2021<br>2nd phase countries |
|----------|---|--|
| Hungary  | (1.2.2020)  |  |
| Croatia  | (1.2.2020)  |  |
| Serbia   | (1.3.2020)  |  |
| Romania  |   |  |
| Bulgaria | (4.8.2020)  |  |
| Moldova  |   |  |
| Ukraine  |   |  |







#### **Outlook: Strategy and next steps regarding implementation of DAVID forms**

#### **Q2 2021: Preparation for implementation of following measures:**

- Implement an electronic registration and time management tool
- Creation of a common transnational platform for control bodies
- Installation of single point of contact for problem management in Danube shipping

#### **2021: Update of Practical Manual on Border Controls**

Including newly implemented DAVID forms, replacing the former national control forms

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