

The EU Strategy for the Danube Region
Priority Area 1b: To improve mobility and Multimodality – road, rail and air links

20th STEERING GROUP MEETING

2 June 2020

Virtual: Ljubljana (SI), Vienna (AT), Sarajevo (B&H), Sofia (BG), Zagreb (CRO), Prague (CZ), Munich and Stuttgart (DE), Budapest (HU), Podgorica (ME), Chişinău (MD), Bucharest (RO), Bratislava (SK), Kiev UA), Belgrade (SRB) & Brussels (BE)



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Agenda (1)

	Tuesday, 2 nd June, 13.00 – 16.30
12.30 – 13.00	<i>Registration (connection to ZOOM)</i>
13.00 – 13.15	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY TOPICS
1. (10 min)	Welcome and introduction
2. (5 min)	Approval of the agenda of the 20 th SG meeting and the minutes of the 19 th SG meeting
13.15 – 14.50	THE DANUBE STRATEGY, SUPPORTIVE BODIES AND PA1B
3. (30 min)	Mobility related activities with influence on EUSDR: a) The European green deal and DG MOVE work programme 2020, b) Exchange of views: Will Covid-19 change mobility and use of transport modes?
4. (10 min)	The DSP activities, with focus on Work plan 2020-21
5. (10 min)	The EUSDR Revised Action plan (1 st revision)
6. (15 min)	Embedding of EUSDR into mainstream EU programmes
7. (10 min)	PA1b: Which way to go? Topics of the highest importance for the macro-region? Strategic topics to be proposed for embedding into EU programmes

Agenda (2)

8. (10 min)	PA1b: Transport & Research in the Danube region
14.50 – 15.10	<i>Coffee Break</i>
15.10 – 16.20	PROJECTS AND PROJECT PROPOSALS
9. (15 min)	The DTP activities and plans for 2020-2021
10.1 (20 min)	<p>Projects that are left behind: Are they completely forgotten?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Vistra (Common Vision for the Danube Region transport) b) DRIS (Danube Region Intermodal Strategy) c) DAirNet (Danube region Air Network Development) d) Traianus RFC (Black Sea – Northern Adriatic Sea Rail Freight Corridor)
10.2 (30 min)	<p>Ongoing and planned projects or initiatives: transnational and national with added macro-regional value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) DTP project: the “RADAR” project – Road safety in the Danube region b) Air Transport: the CE project “LAirA”
16.15 – 16.25	Events, AOB
11.	Tentatively planned events in 2020
12.	AOB
16.25 – 16.30	Closing of the SG meeting; Exit ZOOM

MINUTES of the 19th SG meeting

19th SG meeting

- Participants (11) - members: **AT, BiH, CRO, CZ, DE, HU, ME, RO, SI, SRB, UA** and
- Observers/experts: CEI, SRC Bistra (Citywalk), NC(SI) & MoI Director-General for land transport (SI)

Monday-Tuesday, **23-24 September 2019, 19th SG Meeting**, "Remisens Premium Hotel Metropol", Portorož

- The two days SG meeting started with the Ad hoc group meeting dedicated to Danube macro-region transport projects and
- continued next day in formal SG setting

Wednesday, **25 September** in the morning, **Technical visit to the Port** of Koper

- Guided tour of the Port of Koper terminals

19th SG meeting: Conclusions

Many topics, selected conclusions:

AD HOC WP on projects:

- List of projects list:
 - updated list of projects sent to PACs by most of macro-region countries,
- ✓ Conclusions:
 - a) PA1b **project form** to be upgraded;
 - b) The **Alpine-Western Balkan multimodal corridor** to be included to TEN-T core network during the TEN-T revision
- The issue of much too long **planning processes** (EIA, feasibility studies, planning documents) that often are measured in tenth years before construction works can start
- ✓ Conclusion: PA1b can:
 - a) PAC-s explore possibility to **organise a Workshop** on this topic or
 - b) to **initiate a study** in order to compile the best practices.

19th SG meeting: Conclusions (2)

☐ SG MEETING:

▪ **PA1b priority topics:**

Conclusion: Preliminary suggested topics are to be rethought and confirmed or modified by next meeting. Attention is to be paid to topics that contribute to cohesion and narrowing gaps between the countries or parts of the macro-region.

▪ **Cross-border issues:**

Conclusion: Although many decision-makers and experts are trying to find the best solutions for years, in practice there are almost no progress in terms of shortening the time needed to cross the border by truck or train. Nevertheless, we need to continue looking for practical solutions.

▪ **EUSDR – EUSAIR cooperation:**

Conclusion: While cooperation between two MRS exists, it is noted that mutual cooperation can be strengthen in future.

Thank you very much!

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Attendance

	Priority Area 1b STEERING GROUP MEETINGS																					
	2011		2012			2013		2014			2015		2016			2017		2018		2019		2020
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th		
AT (17/19)	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)		
BG (11/19)	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	(+)		
B&H (5/19)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	(+)		
CRO (14/19)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	(+)		
CZ (7/19)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	(+)		
DE (8/19)	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	(+)		
HU (18/19)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)		
MD (1/19)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	(?)		
ME (6/19)	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	(+)		
RO (10/19)	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	(+)		
SI (19/19)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)		
SK (11/19)	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	(?)		
SRB (19/19)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)		
UA (7/19)	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	(+)		
ATTENDANCE	8	8	9	9	5	7	7	8	6	8	8	9	8	7	12	9	8	6	11	(12)		
DG REGIO (9/19)	+	+	+	-	-	+	+M	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	(+)		
DG MOVE (7/19)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+M	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	?		
DG NEAR (1/19)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	?		