





EUSDR Priority Area 10 "Institutional Capacity and Cooperation"

## 26<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Steering Group of Priority Area 10

24-25 April 2024

University for Continuing Education Krems | Doktor-Karl-Dorrek-Straße 30, 3500 Krems an der Donau

## DRAFT AGENDA

Wednesday, 24th April 2024 | 10.00 - 16:45

Chair: Claudia Singer-Smith & Jernej Grahor, Priority Area 10 Coordinators

9:30-10:00	Chair: Claudia Singer-Smith & Jernej Grahor, Priority Area 10 Coordinators  Arrival at University for Continuing Education Krems - 2nd floor/Room K2.22	ITEM Nr.
10:00-10:30	<b>WELCOME &amp; INTRODUCTION</b> Simon Ortner, Head of Department for International and European Affairs, Lower Austria Claudia Singer & Jernej Grahor, Priority Area 10 Coordination	-
	<b>Tour de Table</b> Members of the PA 10 Steering Group	-
10:30-11.00	COHESION POLICY POST 2027 Introduction from Karolina Jasinska-Mühleck, European Commission – DG REGIO Discussion in the Steering Group	1
11:00-11:30	PRIORITY AREA 10 BEGINNERS' GUIDE Introduction by Andreea Prasacu, Priority Area 10 Coordination Interactive Session	2
11:30-12:30	PROGRESSING INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY AND COOPERATION IN THE DANUBE REGION  Presentation and discussion of present and future initiatives to implement the actions (and targets) of Priority Area 10 "Institutional Capacity & Cooperation" of the EU Danube Strategy	3
	INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITIES  ACTION 1: To improve institutional capacities in order to provide high-quality public services	
	Reflection on how to support initiatives to improve institutional capacities for e-Government in the Danube Region  Discussion in the Steering Group	
	FUNDING ACTION 4: To support better coordination of funding	
	The Network of ESF+ Managing Authorities in the Danube Region: Coordinating transnational cooperation & mutual learning including candidate countries  Presentation by Claudia Singer-Smith, Priority Area 10 Coordination & Q&A	
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
	PROGRESSING INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY AND COOPERATION IN THE DANUBE REGION  PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE & LOCAL DEVELOPMENT	4
13:30-15:30	ACTION 6: To foster cooperation built on mutual trust between state and non-state actors to enhance well-being for the inhabitants of the Danube Region  Building trust with the Platform on Media Literacy  Discussion in the Steering Group	













	National Participation Days: Reviving national/regional cooperation platforms to strengthen the implementation of the EU Danube Strategy  Discussion in the Steering Group	
	ACTION 7: To strengthen the involvement of civil society and local actors in the Danube Region	
	Danube Participation Day 2024: Supporting Ukraine's transition towards the EU  Brief introduction & brainstorming session	
	Bled Strategic Forum & Young Bled Strategic Forum Presentation by Jernej Grahor, Priority Area 10 Coordination & Q&A	
	Action 8: To enhance capacities of cities and municipalities to facilitate local and regional development	
	Cross-macro-regional Cooperation on Smart Communities  Brief introduction & brainstorming on next steps to enhance smart communities	
15:30-15:40	IMPLEMENTATION REPORT/EC REPORT  Brief introduction by Katharina Lenz, Danube Strategy Point	5
15:40-16:00	EUSDR FLAGSHIP PROJECTS  Brief introduction by Katharina Lenz, Danube Strategy Point & Claudia Singer-Smith,  Priority Area 10 Coordination  Decision by Steering Group	6
16:00-16:10	STEERING GROUP: ADAPTING RULES OF PROCEDURE  Decision by Steering Group	7
16:10-16:15	SEED MONEY FACILITY – WHAT COMES AFTER THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS?  Presentation by Claudia Singer-Smith, Priority Area 10 Coordination & Q&A	8
16:15-16:30	UPDATES FROM THE EU DANUBE STRATEGY PRESIDENCY Presentation by Roland Arbter, National Coordinator Austria/EUSDR Presidency, Federal Ministry for Agriculture, Forestry, Regions and Water Management	9
16:30-16:45	AoB	-
19:30	Joint Dinner at Restaurant ,Marktspiel', Untere Landstraße 3, 3500 Krems	

	Thursday, 25 April 2024   08:45-15:00 (16:00)		
08:45-	PICK UP & TRANSFER	-	
10:00	Pick-up at entrance of University of Continuing Education Krems and transfer to study visit: Healthacross MED GMÜND at the AT/CZ border		
10:00-	Study Visit	10	
12:00	Healthacross for future		
	<ul> <li>Visit of the healthcare facility Healthacross MED GMÜND in Gmünd (AT)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Information about the project and the implementation</li> </ul>		
12:00- 13:00	ACTION 2: To facilitate the administrative cooperation of communities living in border regions	11	
	How to support cross-border emergency initiatives in the Danube Region? - Next steps for the Task Force Interactive planning session with the Steering Group		
13:00- 14:00	Lunch		
14:00-	PICK-UP AND TRANSFER	-	
16:00	to Krems (15:00) and to Vienna (16:00)		





