

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of ESF Managing Authorities in the Danube Region

**Date:** 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2017

**Venue:** Haus der Europäischen Union, Wipplinger Straße 35, 1010 Vienna

**Objective:** The workshop will assemble actors from the ESF Managing Authorities of the Danube Region Countries to share good practices and to discuss possible future cooperation on different levels – from transnational calls up to possible project tandems.

**Moderation:** *Claudia Singer*, Priority Area 10 “Institutional Capacity and Cooperation”  
*Barbara Willsberger*, Priority Area 9 “Investing in People and Skills”

Time	Programme Item
13:00	<b>Light Lunch, Meet and Greet</b>
13.30-13.45	<p><b>Welcome and Introduction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Johann Sollgruber</i>, Counsellor for trade issues, Representation of the European Commission in Austria</li> <li>▪ <i>Coordinator Priority Area 9 “People and Skills”</i> and <i>Coordinator Priority Area 10 “Institutional Capacity and Cooperation”</i>, <i>EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)</i></li> </ul>
13.45 – 14.05	<p><b>Transnational Cooperation in the Context of ESF – News from the EC</b></p> <p>Lucio Battistotti and Jader Cané, European Commission, DG Employment</p>
14.05 – 14.45	<p><b>Supporting Transnational Cooperation in the ESF</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Toby Johnson, AEIDL: ESF Transnational Platform</li> <li>▪ Jörg Mirtl, Interact: Cooperation methods and tools of programmes to support macro-regional cooperation: conclusions from an Interact study</li> </ul>
14.45 – 15.15	<p><b>Macro regional Strategies and ESF: Experiences from the Baltic Sea Strategy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Anders Bergström, EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR): EUSBSR Flagships as joint development processes</li> <li>▪ Ulrich Wolff, MA Hamburg: Baltic Sea ESF Network – Supporting Structure and Benefits</li> </ul>
15.15 - 15.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>

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### Different Ways of Transnational Cooperation – Discussion of Experiences and Future Possibilities

- **Transnational Calls and Coordinated Project Calls**  
Irina Tsekova Ivanova, MA Bulgaria: First Experiences within Transnational Calls

15.30 –  
17.00

- **Project Cooperation:**  
Anders Bergström, EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR): How to prepare a transnational flagship project – experiences from the ESF in the Baltic Sea  
Susanne von Bonin: Mission Possible – a Project Network of the Baltic Sea Strategy  
**Discussion** about possible (future) cooperation and projects within the fields of Youth and Long Term Unemployment from the Managing Authorities in the Danube Region (Know How Transfer; Internships, etc.)

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17.00 -  
17.30

### Conclusions and Next Steps

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19.00

### Common Dinner

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9.30	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b>
9.45 – 10.45	<b>Prerequisites for Transnational Project Partnerships – Findings from a recent Beneficiaries Workshop in Baden-Württemberg</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Matthias Boll and Holger Albrich, ESF Managing Authority Baden-Württemberg</i></li> </ul>
10.45 – 11.45	<b>Lean Fund Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Matthias Boll and Holger Albrich, ESF Managing Authority Baden-Württemberg, Germany: Introduction of the Position Paper of Germany’s Federal ESF Managing Authority the ESF as of 2021 - for a new "Lean Fund Management" (LFM)</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Discussion of further existing papers</i></li> </ul>
11.45 - 12.00	<b>Conclusions and Next Steps</b>
12.00	<b>Light Lunch</b>