

4th Danube Financing Dialogue



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TU Wien is a technical university centred on natural and engineering sciences, and architecture. It has 28.000 students and 2500 academic staff members. The **Dept. of History of Architecture and Building Archaeology** focusses on historic and future development(s) of sustainable architecture solutions, with a main focus on natural building materials.

Down to Earth

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Project description

Earthen buildings have long defined the landscape along the River Danube. In recent decades, earthen constructions were replaced by new building materials. However, earthen constructions are energy-efficient and environmentally sound. They help form the distinct identity of a place – an increasingly important factor in terms of developing tourism and the conservation of cultural heritage.

Measures will be taken to (i) establish an inventory of existing structures, (ii) implement strategies for preservation, and (iii) prepare information material for public use (cultural institutions, ecotourism, etc.).

Project goal

- Encourage local communities to revitalize earthen structures
- Raise awareness for the importance of earthen buildings
- Advance sustainable building techniques
- Preserve cultural heritage
- Identify best-practice examples
- Connect researchers and stakeholders involved throughout the Danube region

Beneficiaries and target groups

Beneficiaries

- a) Tourism industry, cultural organizations, the public
- b) Scholars

Target groups

- a) NGOs within the Danube region
- b) Earthen architecture researchers

Constraints and risk appraisal

Constraints: TU Wien's budget control unit will permanently be involved.

Mediators of the TU Wien will monitor the process for incidents of conflict.

Risks: If a partner drops out, activities can be overtaken by others and the tasks can still be completed. However, the results could be affected.

Type of financial product searching for

- Grant

Sectors

- Culture and tourism
- Other

Countries engaged in the project

- Austria
- Croatia
- Hungary
- Romania

Budget planning in EUR

Cost breakdown (Senior Expert, equipment, ...)	Year 1 (in EUR)	Year 2 (in EUR)	Year 3 (in EUR)
Austria (experts, administration, travel)	€100.000	€100.000	€100.000
Serbia (researchers, experts, travel)	€65.000	€65.000	€65.000
Hungary (researchers, experts, travel)	€65.000	€65.000	€65.000
Croatia (researchers, experts, travel)	€65.000	€65.000	€65.000
Total	€295.000	€295.000	€295.000