

Targets and platforms of Priority Area 10 “Institutional Capacity and Cooperation” of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region, agreed on 12 June 2015 in Ljubljana at the 8th Steering Group meeting and reaffirmed on 15 April 2016 in Sarajevo at the 11th Steering Group meeting.

Target		Action according to EUSDR Action Plan 12/2010	PA10 Platform
1	“Improve World Bank governance indicators related to government effectiveness, regulatory quality and control of corruption in comparison to 2011”	“To combat institutional capacity and public service related problems in the Danube Region.”	D-CAP
2	“80 % of participating countries involve the national, regional and local authorities and CSOs through annual National (provincial) EUSDR Hearings in cooperation with the National Coordinators of the EUSDR”	“To improve the trust of citizens and stakeholders in political authorities.”	D-LAP
		“To establish a Danube Civil Society Forum.”	
3	“The UPDR helps to generate, through the exchange of information and the support, on all levels of cooperation, for 25% of UPDR Member organisations at least one Urban Danube Project, furthering the aim of better spending”	“To build metropolitan regions in the Danube Region”.	UPDR
		“To improve the trust of citizens and stakeholders in political authorities”	
		“To facilitate the administrative cooperation of communities living in border regions”	
		“To ensure sufficient information flow and exchange at all levels.”	
4	“Increase the average absorption rate of EU funds in the Danube Region in comparison to 2007-2013 period”	“To review bottlenecks relating to the low absorption rate of EU funds and to ensure better coordination of funding.”	D-FIP
		“To support the development of local financial products for business and community development”	
		“To examine the feasibility of Danube Investment framework.”	