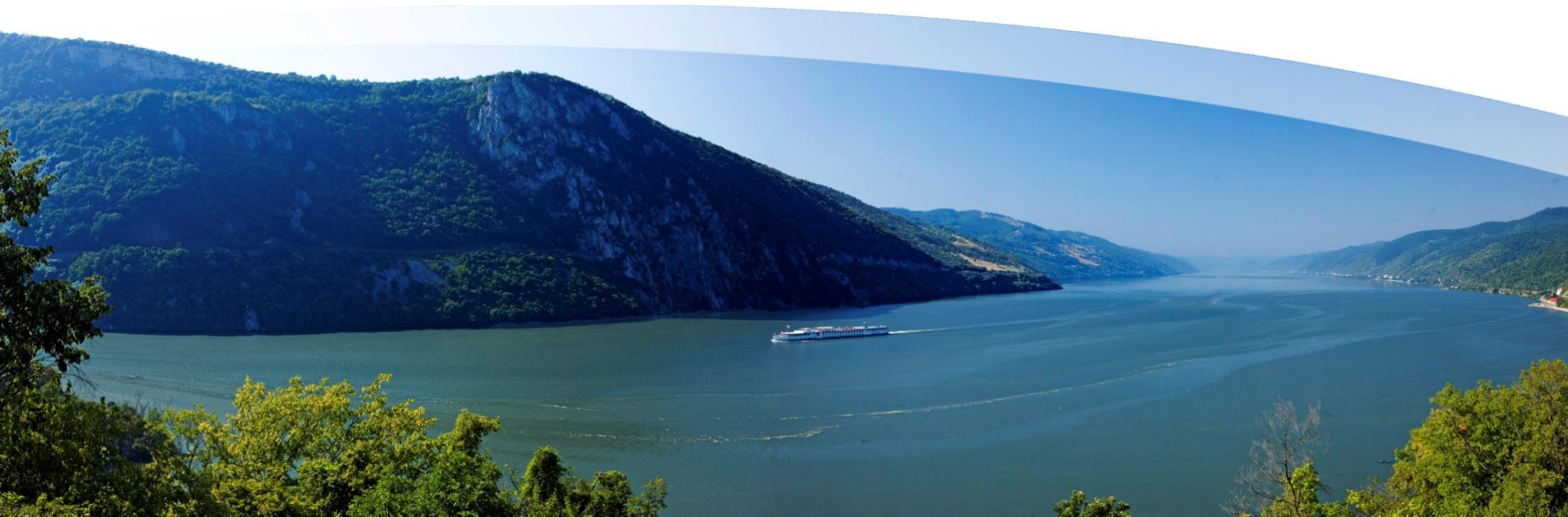


EUSDR Priority Area 10

17th Steering Group Meeting

12 November 2019 | Podgorica



Objective

Strengthening institutional capacities to improve decision-making and administrative performance.

Actions & Targets

Action: To improve institutional capacities in order to provide high-quality public services

Target: Building capacities for efficient, effective and transparent public administration through eGovernment/digitisation of public services.

Target: Developing policy guidance for co-designing policies at all levels the Danube Region.

Target: Exchange of experience (e.g. promotion of single-window system in administrative procedures and its advantages for citizens. Workshops/meetings between authorities and legislative bodies in relation to legal and administrative obstacles, etc.*

Action: To facilitate the administrative cooperation of communities living in border regions

Target: Establishing structures to contribute to the facilitation of cross-border capacity building and cooperation through facilities such as cooperation platforms, knowledge transfer, and project development for cross-border public services, such as organizing bilingual trainings or the workshops/meetings between professionals as mentioned above.*

*) Target proposals submitted by Hungary on 7 November 2020.

Objective

Enhancing coordination and knowledge for better use of funding and to develop needs-based funding instruments.

Actions & Targets

Action: To review bottlenecks relating to the low absorption rate of EU funds and Invest EU

Target: : Building capacities on funding possibilities at international, EU, national, regional, and local level and transnational project implementation through regular consultation formats (in synergy with the EuroAccess MacroRegion initiative).

Target: Encouraging realization of projects in line with sustainable strategies.*

Action: To support better coordination of funding

Target: Continuing and strengthen the exchange between the EUSDR and funding instruments in the Danube Region on transnational/macro-regional cooperation through network meetings at least once a year.

Action: To test and support innovative funding solutions (for local actors and civil society)

Target: Developing at least one innovative funding instrument with a particular focus on needs of local actors and civil society.

*) Target proposals submitted by Hungary on 7 November 2020.

Objective

Increasing involvement of civil society and local actors for effective policy-making and implementation.

Actions & Targets

Action: To foster cooperation built on mutual trust between state and non-state actors to enhance well-being

Target: Encouraging all EUSDR partner countries to involve national, regional and local authorities, as well as civil society organisations and further relevant stakeholders in the communication and implementation of the EUSDR through implementing national/regional Participation Days.

Action: : To strengthen the involvement of civil society and local actors in the Danube Region

Target: Supporting the empowerment of young people for participation in the development of the Danube Region through strategic guidance and the implementation of macro-regional networks.

Target: : Building capacities on participatory governance and involvement of civil society and local actors in cooperation with the Danube Local Actors Platform, the Danube Civil Society Forum, and/or further experts and stakeholders.

Action: To enhance capacities of cities and municipalities to facilitate local and regional development

Target: Implementing a Network “Empowerment Roma” together with Priority Area 9 (through at least one stakeholder meeting per year).

Target: Implementing a Network on “Fighting Trafficking in Human Beings” together with Priority Area 11 (through at least one stakeholder meeting per year)

PAC 10 Initiatives 2019

Initiatives 2nd half 2019

Institutional Capacity

- Policy Paper on Sound Public Management
- Policy Paper on Functional Regions

Participatory Governance

- EUSDR Youth Action Plan

Funding

- ESF Network Danube Region
- Webinar on Funding

Policy Paper on Sound Public Management

Date of Publication: December 2019

Content:

- Values of Public Governance
- Leadership and Capacity Building
- Re-thinking Public Service Delivery & Quality
- Local Financial Management

Expert workshop on Sound Public management in **Vienna** on **5 November 2019**



Policy Paper on Metropolitan & Functional Regions

Date of publication: December 2019

Content:

- Definition and elements of metropolitan & functional regions
- Examples of territorial cooperation & integrated planning in the Danube Region
- Recommendations for multi-level governance in metropolitan regions in the Danube Region

Expert workshop on Cross border collaboration in Functional Urban Areas in **Prague** on **15 November 2019** (back-to-back with ESPON Seminar on Metropolitan Regions and CBC)

EUSDR Youth Action Plan

Kick-off 6th Danube Participation Day 2019 in Bucharest

First Editors' Group Meeting in Vienna on 10 December 2019

- Assessing the results from the 6th Danube Participation Day in Bucharest
- Defining scope, timeframe, methodology

Preparation of the draft towards the 7th Danube Participation Day in Zagreb in October 2020



Network of ESF Managing Authorities in the Danube Region

Members

- ESF Managing Authorities in the Danube Region
- EUSDR: Priority Area 9 People & Skills and Priority Area 10 Institutional Capacity & Cooperation

Aim

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5th Meeting of ESF Managing Authorities in the Danube Region in Sofia on 8-9 October 2019

- Drafting a joint mission statement
- Drafting a text module for transnational cooperation in the Danube Region
- Developing next steps towards coordinating transnational cooperation in the ESF

Webinar on funding for civil society & local actors in the Danube Region

- 4 December 2019
- Overview on funding for civil society and local & short introduction in EuroAccess MacroRegion



New Application for PAC Support

Work Package
Management

Work Package Policy
Development

PAC Support
2020-2022

Work Package
Cooperation &
Coordination

Work Package
Strategic Projects





Cooperation with other Priority Areas

Network for Roma Inclusion



- Bringing together Roma associations and local authorities
- Strengthening the exchange between public institutions at local and national level
- Enhancing transnational exchange and cooperation to implement inclusive policies in cities, regions, and countries

Network to Fight Trafficking in Human Beings



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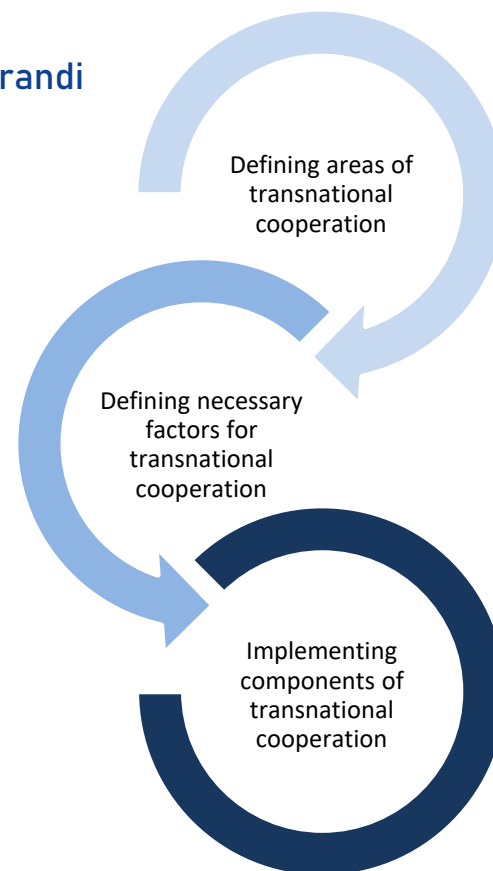
Partners



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