

Forum

of Stakeholders of the Project

„Preparation of documentation for River Training Works
on the Critical Sectors of the Danube River in Serbia“

Date:	10-05-2013
Duration:	10:00 - 14:00
Venue:	Directorate for Inland Waterways, Francuska 9, 11000 Belgrade, Serbia
Host:	Directorate for Inland Waterways
Chaired by:	Ivan Mitrovic, Directorate for Inland Waterways (Plovput)

Meeting Minutes

from the ninth meeting of the Stakeholders' Forum

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Agenda

Time	Subject
09:45	Registration
10:00	Welcome speech, agenda, organizational issues
10:10	Meeting Minutes of the eight meeting of the Forum
10:20	Transparency of the process and dissemination activities
10:40	Inland waterways transport statistics
11:30	<i>Pause</i>
12:30	Long-term plan for integrated inland waterways management
13:20	Evaluation of the work of the Forum
13:35	Conclusions, recommendations, next meetings timetable, closing words
14:00	Until the next meeting

List of participants

Br/ No.	Ime i prezime/ Name and family name	Organizacija/ Organization	Skr. / Abbr.	Zemlja/ Country
1	Dr Benedikt Mandl	Međunarodna komisija za zaštitu reke Dunav / International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River	ICPDR	AT
3	Duška Dimović	Svetski fond za zaštitu prirode / World Wide Life Fund	WWF	RS
3	Duško Isaković	Međunarodna komisija za sliv reke Save / International Sava River Basin Commission	ISRBC	HR
4	Georg Rast	Svetski fond za zaštitu prirode / World Wide Life Fund	WWF	DE
5	Mr Ivan Mitrović	Direkcija za vodne puteve / Directorate for Inland Waterways	plovput	RS
6	Ivana Dmitrović	Energoprojekt	EP	RS
7	Dr Jasna Muškatirović	Direkcija za vodne puteve / Directorate for Inland Waterways	plovput	RS
8	Ljubiša Mihajlović	Direkcija za vodne puteve / Directorate for Inland Waterways	plovput	RS
9	Michel Zuijderwijk	Witteveen Bos	WB	NL
10	Mićun Stanić	Ministarstvo energetike, razvoja i životne sredine, / Ministry of Energy, Development and Environment	MERŽS	RS
11	Milica Ćurčić	Direkcija za vodne puteve / Directorate for Inland Waterways	plovput	RS
12	Otto Nagy	Delegacija Evropske unije u Republici Srbiji / Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia	DEU	EU
13	Prvoslav Mutavdžić	Republički zavod za statistiku / Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia	RZzS	RS
14	Roberto Zanetti	Witteveen Bos	WB	NL

Mr. Ljubisa Mihajlovic, the Director of the Directorate for Inland Waterways, officially opened the meeting and welcomed participants of the ninth meeting of the Stakeholders' Forum of the project "Preparation of documentation for river training works on critical sectors of the Danube River in Serbia". He reminded that the project implementation is getting close to the end, and thanked all participants of the Forum for their contribution over the last year. After the introductory speech of Mr. Mihajlovic, the chairman of the Forum, Mr. Mitrovic (Directorate for Inland Waterways) took the floor. He welcomed participants of the meeting and presented the agenda for the seventh meeting of the Forum.

Mr. Mitrovic presented the **MMs from the eight meeting of the Forum**. He said that, in accordance to the General rules on organization and work of the Forum, all comments from the participants of the meeting delivered until 08th of April 2013 have been incorporated into the text, and that this document is available to the public since 12th of April 2013, through the web site of the Directorate for Inland Waterways, at the section Stakeholders' Forum.

Mr. Mitrovic informed participants about activities which are being performed in realization of the Article 8 of the General rules on organization and work of the Forum (**Transparency of the work of the Forum**):

- Dissemination Report is prepared and will be available to the public at the Plovput's web site, in the section Stakeholders' Forum
- Representatives of Plovput participated at the ICPDR Public Participation Expert Group meeting held on 19th of April 2013 in Belgrade and presented the work of the Forum
 - Mr. Mandl (ICPDR) presented the work of this expert group
- Articles of one Forum member and the chairperson of the Forum have been published in the latest edition of the Magazine Detlic (Woodpecker)
- A quote of the chairperson of the Forum has been published in the Danube Watch (ICPDR magazine)
- Three abstracts of the members of the project team have been accepted for the Smart Rivers 2013 conference which will be held in September 2013
- New ENRs for the Danube River calculated within the project "Preparation of documentation for river training works on critical sectors of the Danube River in Serbia" has been presented at the Joint interstate commission (Serbia and Croatia).

Mr. Mitrovic (Plovput) reminded all participants of the Stakeholders' Forum that according to the General rules on organization and the work of the Forum, information related to the project are available to the public. He said that all Forum members are entitled to raise questions, and that answers will be available to all Forum members, as well as to the general public, by posting at the Plovput's web site, in the section Stakeholders' Forum.

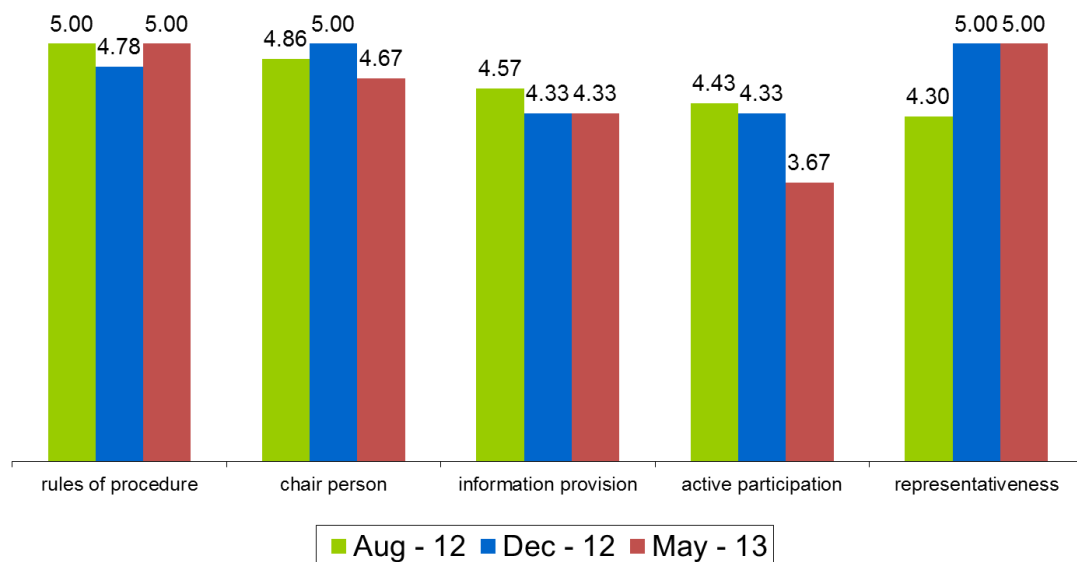
Mr. Mitrović (Plovput) held a presentation on basic statistical data related to IWT (volume of transport, types of transported goods, transport per ports, geographical orientation of the IWT on the Danube River), statistical data on critical sectors on the Danube River in Serbia (number of days bellow ENR, number of days during which fairway parameters are not fulfilled on the critical sectors), and other statistical data. He thanked Mr. Mutavdzic (RZzS) for the availability of the statistical data related to IWT in Serbia. After the presentation, Mr. Rast (WWF) shared his experiences with the collection of statistical data for IWT in Germany.

He said that one of the most important data is related to types of goods that are being transport (liquid, solid, containers). Mr. Rast (WWF) asked about the availability of data for cruisers which are navigating through Serbia, as well as about transshipment volume in ports, water related and non-water related. Mrs. Muskatirovic (Plovput) said that in 2012 the total of 450 cruisers have been recorded in Serbia, and that in 2013 it is expected to grow up to 550. Mr. Mitrovic said that the collection of detailed data on passenger transport is in progress, and that those data are going to be presented at the next meetings of the Forum. At the end, he said that presenting statistical data on IWT is important, in order to have the whole picture about the perspective and the potential of the IWT on the Danube River, in Serbia, and overall.

Mr. Mitrovic gave a brief overview on the strategic orientation of the Directorate for Inland Waterways for the future period, related to continuation of the currently ongoing projects and preserving the approach established during implementation of the project "Preparation of documentation for river training works on critical sectors of the Danube River in Serbia".

Participants of the meeting had a chance to evaluate the organization and the work of the Forum from June 2012 until today. It is the third cycle of the evaluation, after the first two cycles have been performed in August (Third Forum meeting) and December 2012 (Sixth Forum meeting).

Evaluation of the work of the Forum



Mr. Mitrovic stated that the date for the final conference of the project will be determined soon, and that all participants of the Forum will be invited to this event, most likely to be convened in the beginning of autumn 2013.

Participants of the meeting concluded that there is no need for organization of Forum meetings during the summer period, and that the next Forum meeting can be organized in the period September-October 2013. Venue and the exact timing of the meeting will be defined in due time, in accordance to the timeframe set within the General rules on organization and work of the Forum. After expressed willingness of the participants to continue activities within the Forum, Mr. Mitrovic thanked everybody for their active role in the Forum and closed the meeting.

Next steps

Activity	Responsible	Deadline
Uploading of the documentation from the ninth meeting of the Forum to the web site of Plovput (agenda, list of participants, presentations, photos)	Chair person	13-05-2013
Delivering comments on the draft version of the MMs from the ninth meeting of the Forum to the chair person	All	24-05-2013
Distribution of the final version of the MMs to participants of the ninth meeting of the Forum	Chair person	29-05-2013
Uploading the final version of the MMs from the ninth meeting of the Forum to the web site of Plovput	Chair person	29-05-2013
Distribution of the draft agenda for the tenth meeting of the Forum	Chair person	Will be later defined
Delivering comments to the draft agenda for the tenth meeting of the Forum to the chair person	All	Will be later defined
Distribution of the final version of the agenda for the tenth meeting of the Forum	Chair person	Will be later defined
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