

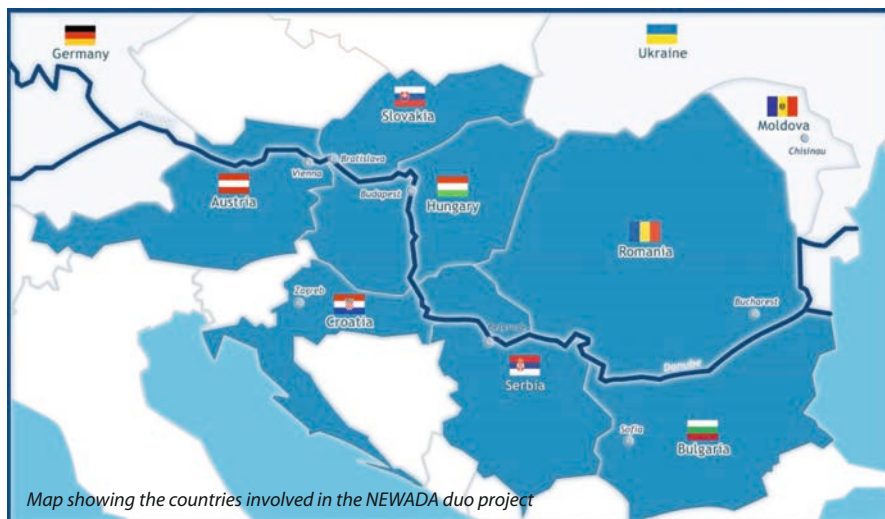
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- Interview: Raffi Balian, Transboundary cooperation is a precondition for preventing future disasters
- Rehabilitation of the Sava River waterway is a long-term goal
- Water, food, energy and environment are one



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harmonized way, provision of a berths' atlas, improvement of network of gauging stations along the Danube River (with special attention to navigation bottlenecks), investigation of possibilities to extend forecasting periods for water levels, pilots related to incorporation of depth data into the iENCs, a pilot project related to collection of real-time depth data from commercial vessels, introduction of remote and virtual Aids to Navigation. All data related to the conditions of the Danube waterway are to be published at the Danube FIS portal, a unique one-window data source for all users and clients of the waterway. In addition, improvement of the network of WLAN hot spots, established within the NEWADA project, is planned.

The cooperation between NEWADA duo partners is to be institutionalized through the permanent Board of Directors meetings, independent of the future joint projects. The reason for this is that NEWADA duo initiative is of strategic importance for the Danube navigation. Danube waterway administrations are able to identify and share a common vision through the implementation of relevant activities of international importance in order to contribute to the full utilization of potentials of the Danube navigation. For more information visit www.newada-duo.eu.

INFORMATION ON THE NAVIGATION CONDITIONS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN REAL TIME

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The NEWADA duo, the project on which 9 waterway administrations from 7 Danube riparian countries (Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Romania, Bulgaria) are cooperating, is co-funded under the EU South East Europe Transnational Cooperation Programme (www.southeast-europe.net). The project was launched in October 2012 and it is to be finalised in September 2014. NEWADA duo stands for „Network of Danube Waterway Administrations – data and user orientation“ and it represents a continuous cooperation of the Danube waterway administrations established within the NEWADA project and implemented in the period 2009-2012 under the same EU funding programme.

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of the project is to improve and harmonize the quality and frequency of provision of information related to real-time navigation conditions of the Danube waterway.

Basic data relevant for inland navigation are: water levels, available water depth in the fairway, established waterway marking system and Aids to Navigation, Electronic Navigation Charts (ENC). Provision of this data, accurate and in real time, is a precondition for establishing and maintaining the Danube River as a part of sustainable logistic chains. NEWADA duo project is aiming to improve and harmonize the quality of the data through the whole Danube waterway and to improve frequency of the collection and provision to waterway users in real time. Several activities are planned and undertaken with this respect: identification of navigation bottlenecks and provision of respected data in a

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