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Austrian waterways and flood management policy in the Danube basin.
Implementation of the EU Water Framework Directive and EU Flood Directive

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Implementation of the EU-Water Framework Directive

Overall aim: good ecological status until 2015
(Prolongation of time limit to 2021/2027)
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- Measures (Overview):

- Danube:
  - EU-LIFE Natur project Wachau (2003-2008)
    Side branch reconnections Rührsdorf-Rossatz
    Side branch reconnections Grimsing
    Side branch project Aggsbach Dorf
  - EU-LIFE+ project „Traisen“ (2009 -2014)
  - EU-LIFE+ project „Mostviertel-Wachau“ (2009-2014)
  - EU-TEN-T project Integrated River Engineering Project East of Vienna

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Objectives: Structuring the main current of the Danube with gravel embankments and islands; Linking old disconnected meanders to the Danube; Monitoring of Fish Ecology

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EU-LIFE Natur project „Wachau“
Side branch reconnection Grimsing

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EU-LIFE + project „Traisen“ (2009 -2014)

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Implementation of the Flood Directive

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Main goals for the implementation of the EU-Flood Directive:

- Sustainable preservation and extension of flood areas (resettlement programs)

- No transfer of flood risks to downstream riparian countries

- Harmonisation with the EU Water Framework Directive

- Flood protection in Austria, legal regulation

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Sustainable preservation and extension of flood retention zones (1)

Study of natural retention zones in Austria

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Sustainable preservation and extension of flood retention zones (resettlement program "Machland Nord") (3)

Europes biggest resettlement project

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Sustainable preservation and extension of flood retention zones (resettlement program „Machland Nord“) (4)

Protection of human health, the environment, and property.

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Sustainable preservation and extension of flood retention zones („Tullnerfeld Nord“) (5)
No transfer of flood risks to downstream riparian countries; retention zone National park Danube

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Harmonisation with the EU Water Framework Directive

Visionary „Leitbild“ approach: Machland status 1812 „More space for the Danube“

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Flood protection in Austria

Hydraulic Engineering funding act
(80% National Funding)

Art.15a Federal Constitutional act
Flood protection 2006-2016
420 Mio €

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Thank you for your attention!

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