



Draft Agenda

First Day

8:30 Registration and coffee

9:00-9:30 Opening address

Mitja BRICELJ, ICPDR President

EU (tbc)

Bozidar DJELIC, Deputy Prime Minister of Serbia

9:30- 10:30 **SESSION 1: DANUBE RIVER BASIN MANAGEMENT PLAN - A BASIS FOR WATER INVESTMENTS**

Chair: EU (tbc)

Introduction: ICPDR: Philip WELLER

1. The Danube River Basin Management Plan and the Joint Program of Measures

Facilitated Dialogue

The session will present the findings of the DRBMP and the overall funding needs of the Joint Programme of Measures, and presentations on possible funding programmes and mechanisms.

10:30- 11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00-13:00 **SESSION 2: FINANCING URBAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT DEVELOPMENT**

Chair: Country (tbc)

Introduction: Stephen HART, EIB

1. Challenges in financing the development of urban wastewater

Case studies

2. Infrastructure development targets activities in Serbia: Serbia (tbc)

3. Financing strategies to achieve targets of development of wastewater infrastructure in Romania: Gheorghe CONSTANTIN

Facilitated Dialogue

This session will address issues related to urban water supply and wastewater development targets, operational sustainability, as well as cost-effective design considering the demographic processes, economic growth and climate uncertainty, and draw lessons for the Danube countries.

13:00:14:00 *Lunch break*

14:00: 15:15 **SESSION 3 – LAND USE AND AGRICULTURAL MEASURES IN THE DANUBE COUNTRIES**

Chair: EU

Introduction: Austria , Karl SCHWEIGER

1. Land use and agricultural measures in the DRB; how to finance change?

Case Studies:

2. World Bank Agricultural Pollution Control Projects (Romania, Serbia, Moldova): Tijen ARIN, World Bank
3. EU CAP Instruments: EU (tbc)

Facilitated Dialogue

On the basis of the first results of the DRBMP, the experts of this session will discuss issues related to nutrient pollution and land use in the DRB and examine possible solutions to existing challenges related to application of best agricultural practices and implementation of Nitrates Directive and CAP reform.

15:15:15:45 *Coffee break*

15:45: 17:15 **SESSION 4 - FINANCING FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

Chair: EBRD, Susan GOERANSSON

Introduction: Guy ALAERTS, World Bank

1. Overview of hydromorphological problems and challenges in financing the measures in the DRB

Case studies

1. Financing of feasibility study for connectivity at Iron Gate (tbc)
2. An Upper Austrian Programme to Retrofit Small Hydropower Plants – Reaching the Goals of the WFD and the Energy Strategy - Torben Walter, Austria

Facilitated Dialogue

This session will envisage a framework for improving water quality, biodiversity and natural resources and examine sector-specific investment.

17:15- 17:30 **WRAP UP OF THE DAY**

Second Day

9:00-11:00 **Session 5: Next Steps and Needed Actions**

Chair: ICPDR Philip WELLER

Review of lessons and messages from previous day: Philip WELLER

This session will focus on how to ensure that funding comes to needed actions. In addition, it will be discussed how to integrate this into the Danube Strategy

11:00 - 11:30 *Coffee break*

Discussions

11:30 - 13:00 **Closing statements.**