
Bilateral agreements on flood risk management in the DRBD

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Austria

Staat, Bezeichnung	Ratifikation und Inkrafttreten
<p>Deutschland</p> <p>Vertrag zwischen der Republik Österreich einerseits und der Bundesrepublik Deutschland und der Europäischen Wirtschaftsgemeinschaft andererseits über die wasserwirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit im Einzugsgebiet der Donau (BGBl. Nr. 17/1991)</p>	<p>Die vom Bundespräsidenten unterzeichneten und vom Bundeskanzler gegengezeichneten Ratifikationsurkunden wurden am 14. Dezember 1990 ausgetauscht; der Vertrag tritt gemäß seinem Art. 12 Abs. 2 mit 1. März 1991 in Kraft</p>
<p>Slowakische Republik</p> <p>Vertrag zwischen der Republik Österreich und der Tschechoslowakischen Sozialistischen Republik über die Regelung von wasserwirtschaftlichen Fragen an den Grenzgewässern (BGBl. Nr. 106/1970, idF. BGBl. Nr. 1046/1994 - Weiteranwendung des Vertrages im Hinblick auf die Slowakische Republik)</p>	<p>Die Ratifikationsurkunden zum vorliegenden Vertrag sind am 16. Feber 1970 ausgetauscht worden; der Vertrag ist somit gemäß seinem Artikel 22 Absatz 2 am 18. März 1970 in Kraft getreten.</p>
<p>Tschechische Republik</p> <p>Vertrag zwischen der Republik Österreich und der Tschechoslowakischen Sozialistischen Republik über die Regelung von wasserwirtschaftlichen Fragen an den Grenzgewässern (BGBl. Nr. 106/1970, idF. BGBl. Nr. 1046/1994 - Weiteranwendung des Vertrages im Hinblick auf die Tschechische Republik)</p>	<p>Die Ratifikationsurkunden zum vorliegenden Vertrag sind am 16. Feber 1970 ausgetauscht worden; der Vertrag ist somit gemäß seinem Artikel 22 Absatz 2 am 18. März 1970 in Kraft getreten.</p>
<p>Slowenien/Mur</p> <p>Abkommen zwischen der Republik Österreich und der Föderativen Volksrepublik Jugoslawien über wasserwirtschaftliche Fragen der Mur-Grenzstrecke und der Mur-Grenzgewässer (Mur-Abkommen) (BGBl. Nr. 119/1956, Republik Slowenien – Weiteranwendung, BGBl. Nr. 714/1993, Republik Kroatien – keine Weiteranwendung, BGBl. Nr. 474/1996)</p>	<p>Da der Austausch der Ratifikationsurkunden am 9. Feber 1956 vorgenommen wurde, ist das Abkommen gemäß seinem Artikel 11 am 9. Feber 1956 in Kraft getreten.</p>
<p>Slowenien/Drau</p> <p>„Regierungüb ereinkommen vom 25. Mai 1954 zwischen Österreich und Jugoslawien über Wasserwirtschaftliche Fragen an der Drau“ [HARTIG 1955]</p>	<p>„Nach Vorliegen der Genehmigung der Regierungen ist durch Notenwechsel festgelegt worden, dass als erster Tag der Wirksamkeit der 15. Jänner 1955 angesehen wird“ [HARTIG 1955]</p>
<p>Ungarn</p> <p>Vertrag zwischen der Republik Österreich und der Ungarischen Volksrepublik über die Regelung der wasserwirtschaftlichen Fragen im Grenzgebiet (BGBl. Nr. 225/1959)</p>	<p>Dieser Vertrag ist gemäß seinem Artikel 22 am 31. Juli 1959 in Kraft getreten.</p>
<p>Staatsvertrag der Republik Österreich mit der Schweizerischen Eidgenossenschaft über die Regulierung des Rheines von der Illmündung bis zum Bodensee (StF: BGBl. Nr. 178/1955)</p>	<p>Da der Austausch der Ratifikationsurkunden am 22. Juli 1955 stattgefunden hat, ist der Vertrag gemäß seinem Art. 35 an diesem Tag in Kraft getreten.</p>
<p>Liechtenstein</p> <p>Vertrag zwischen der Republik Österreich und dem Fürstentume Liechtenstein über die Festlegung gemeinsamer Grundlagen für die Regulierung des Rheins von der schweizerisch-liechtensteinischen Staatsgrenze bis zur Mündung des Illflusses, sowie über die Regelung der Ableitung liechtensteinischer Binnengewässer auf liechtensteinischem und österreichischem Gebiete und über die damit zusammenhängende Regulierung des Spirsgrabens, des Frickgrabens und der Esche. (StF: BGBl. Nr. 333/1931)</p>	<p>Der Austausch der Ratifikationsurkunden hat am 20. Oktober 1931 stattgefunden. Der Vertrag tritt daher gemäß seinem Artikel 14 am 17. November 1931 in Kraft.</p>

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Type of document	Counterpart Country	Title	Issued (year)	Subject
Agreement	Republic of Serbia	Agreement between Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republic of Serbia on cooperation in protection against natural and other disasters (ratified in 2011)	Official Gazette of BH no 8/11.	Transboundary Early warning system cooperation
Agreement	Montenegro	Agreement on Cooperation in protection from natural and other disasters, between Council of Ministers of B&H and Montenegro Government (signed in 2007 and ratified in 2008)	Official Gazette of BH no 2/08.	Transboundary Early warning system cooperation
Framework agreement	Multilateral	FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON THE SAVA RIVER BASIN among: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Croatia, Republic of Slovenia and Federal Republic of Yugoslavia ¹	Official Gazette of BH no 8/03.	Sustainable development of Sava river basin
Agreement	Republic of Croatia	Agreement between the Croatian Government and the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina on the regulation of water management relations (signed 11 July 1996 in Dubrovnik)	Official Gazette of BiH no 6/96.	Transboundary water management
Agreement	Republic of Croatia	Agreement between the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Croatian Government on cooperation in the protection of natural and manmade disasters	Official Gazette of BiH no 7/01.	Transboundary Early warning system cooperation
Agreement	Republic of Slovenia	Agreement between the Council of Ministers and the Government of the Republic of Slovenia on cooperation in the protection of natural and manmade disasters	Official Gazette of BiH no 3/12.	Transboundary Early warning system cooperation

BulgariaWith Romania

Agreement between the Ministry of Environment and Water of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Ministry of Environment and Water Management of Romania on Cooperation in the Field of Water Management, signed on 12 November 2004 in Bucharest, entry into force on 15 March 2005.

With Serbia

A draft bilateral agreement with Serbia is at the final stage of preparation by Bulgarian competent authorities, to be proposed officially to the Serbian authorities via diplomatic channels. The proposed draft is entitled “Agreement between the Ministry of Environment and Water of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Serbia on Cooperation in the Field of Water Management”.

CroatiaWith Slovenia:

Treaty between the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the Government of the Republic of Croatia on regulation of water management relations

Agreement on cooperation for the protection of the Adriatic sea and the coastal area from pollution (Official Gazette of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia – MP 2/1977)

With Hungary:

Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Hungary and the Government of the Republic of Croatia about the issues in cooperation in water management

With Bosnia and Herzegovina:

¹ Federal Republic of Yugoslavia consisted at that time of republic of Serbia and Montenegro

Agreement between the Croatian Government and the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina on the regulation of water management relations (signed 11 July 1996 in Dubrovnik)

Agreement between the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Croatian Government on cooperation in the protection of natural and manmade disasters

Multilateral:

FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON THE SAVA RIVER BASIN among: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Croatia, Republic of Slovenia and Federal Republic of Yugoslavia

With other neighbouring countries:

No bilateral agreements with the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro. The responsible Ministry is involved in the formulation of agreements and the commencement of a negotiation process with neighbouring countries.

Czech Republic

With Slovakia:

Dohoda mezi vládou České republiky a vládou Slovenské republiky o spolupráci na hraničních vodách - podepsána dne 16. prosince 1999 a ve stejný den vstoupila v platnost

The Agreement between the Governments of the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic on cooperation on transboundary waters

Směrnice pro předpovědní, hlásmou a varovnou službu na česko-slovenských hraničních vodních tocích
Implementation for forecasting, reporting and warning service on the Czech-Slovak transboundary waters

With Austria:

Smlouva mezi Československou socialistickou republikou a Rakouskou republikou o úpravě vodohospodářských otázek na hraničních vodách ze dne 7. prosince 1967, platnou od 18. března 1970

Convention between the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and the Republic of Austria on the settlement of water management issues concerning transboundary waters signed on December 7, 1967 and came into force on March 18, 1970.

Směrnice pro varovnou službu na česko-rakouských hraničních vodách
Directive for warning service on Czech- Austrian transboundary waters.

Germany

With Austria

"Regensburger Vertrag über die wasserwirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit im Einzugsgebiet der Donau zwischen der Europäische Wirtschaftsgemeinschaft, der Bundesrepublik Deutschland und der Republik Österreich" vom 01.12.1987.

Hungary

Name of the agreement		Date and place of the signature	Date of coming to effect
AT	A Magyar Népköztársaság és az Osztrák Köztársaság között a határvidék vízgazdálkodási kérdéseinek szabályozási tárgyában	Agreement between the People's Republic of Hungary and the Republic of Austria about regulation of the water management issues in the border region	Vienna, 09/04/1956 31/07/1959
SK	A Magyar Népköztársaság Kormánya és a Csehszlovák Szocialista Köztársaság Kormánya között a vízgazdálkodás kérdéseinek szabályozásáról (magyar-szlovák viszonylatban)	Agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of Hungary and the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic about regulation of the water management issues	Budapest, 31/03/1976 28/07/1978 (new agreement accepted in Nov 2014, being published)
UA	A Magyar Köztársaság Kormánya és Ukrajna Kormánya között a határvizek védelme és fenntartható hasznosítása céljából folytatandó együttműködésről	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Hungary and the Government of Ukraine about the cooperation purposing the protection and sustainable use of the rivers in the border region	Budapest, 11/11/1997 06/08/1999

RO	A Magyar Köztársaság Kormánya és Románia Kormánya között a határvizek védelme és fenntartható hasznosítása céljából folytatandó együttműködésről	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Hungary and the Government of Romania about the cooperation purposing the protection and sustainable use of the rivers in the border region	Budapest, 25/09/2003 17/05/2004
RS	A Magyar Népköztársaság és a Jugoszláv Szövetségi Népköztársaság Kormánya között a vízgazdálkodási kérdések tárgyában (magyar- szerb viszonylatban)	Agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of Hungary and the Government of the Yugoslavian Federal People's Republic about the water management issues	Belgrade, 08/08/1955 19/05/1956 (new agreement is under discussion)
HR	A Magyar Köztársaság Kormánya és a Horvát Köztársaság Kormánya között a vízgazdálkodási együttműködés kérdéseiben	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Hungary and the Government of the Republic of Croatia about the issues in cooperation in water management	Pécs, 10/06/1994 03/03/1995
SI	A Magyar Népköztársaság és a Szlovén Köztársaság Kormánya között a vízgazdálkodási kérdések tárgyában	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Hungary and the Government of the Republic of Slovenia about the water management issues	Ljubljana, 21/10/1994 27/05/1995

Moldova

No information provided

Montenegro

No information provided

RomaniaBilateral cooperation Romania – Ukraine

Cooperation shall be conducted under the Agreement between the Government of Romania and the Government of Ukraine on cooperation in border water management (Galati, 30 September 1997), ratified by the Romanian Parliament by Law no. 16 of 11 January 1999.

Activities for implementing the Agreement shall take place within the next three working groups, one for each important river:

1. Working group to resolve issues of Tisza River and its tributaries in the border area.
2. Working group to resolve issues of Siret and Prut in the border area.
3. Working group to resolve issues of Danube on the common border area.

Bilateral cooperation Romania – Hungary

The first agreement in water field between Romania and Hungary was signed in Bucharest on 14 April 1924 and was in force until 1945. This was followed by 4 cycles of cooperation, 1945-1961, 1962-1965, 1965- 1970, 1970 to 1986, the agreement was renewed every time. On 25 June 1986 was signed in Bucharest Convention between the Government of Romania and the Republic of Hungary on the regulation of issues related to hydraulic structures on water which form or cross the border. The Convention entered into force November 20, 1986.

Currently, cooperation is performed under the Agreement between Romania and the Republic of Hungary on cooperation for the protection and sustainable use of water in the border region (Budapest, September 15, 2003), ratified by Government Decision no. 577/15.04.2004.

The agreement applies to the following rivers: Tur, Somes, Crasna, Barcau, Ier, Crisul Repede, Crisul Negru, Crisul Alb and Mures by hydrotechnical Romanian-Hungarian Commission.

For carrying out the agreement, the Commission has established the following standing Subcommittees areas:

1. Coordination and development cooperation Subcommittee;
2. Subcommittee on Water Management and Hydrometeorology;
3. Subcommittee on water quality;
4. Subcommittee on flood defence.

Subcommittees carry out the decisions of the Commission, the tasks resulted from regulations act independently within the provisions of the Regulations for measures to be taken immediately and assures the continuity of technical activity based on the Agreement.

Bilateral cooperation Romania – Serbia

Cooperation is achieved under the Agreement between the Romania and RPF Yugoslavia on hydraulic problems in hydraulic systems and watercourses that cross the border or are the border (Bucharest, April 7, 1955), ratified by Decree no. 242 / 06.17.1955.

The agreement applies to the following rivers: the Danube, Nera, Moravita, Aranca, Bega Veche, Bega Channel, Timis, Caras and Nera by hydrotechnical Romanian-Serbian Commission.

For carrying out the agreement, the Commission has established the following standing Subcommittees areas:

1. Subcommittee for water quality;
2. Subcommittee on hydrometeorology and quantitative water management;
3. Subcommittee on flood defence and ice.

Since 1998, the collaboration continued, but with some delays due to organizational changes produced in Serbia, resolving some issues regarding water management.

It is currently negotiating text of the new Agreement between Romania and Serbia on cooperation in the sustainable management of transboundary waters.

Bilateral cooperation Romania - Bulgaria

Cooperation is achieved under the Agreement between the Ministry of Environment and Water Management of Romania and the Ministry of Environment and Water of the Republic of Bulgaria on cooperation in the field of water management (Bucharest, November 12, 2004), ratified by Government Decision no. 2419 / 21.12.2004.

The agreement applies to the Romanian-Bulgarian Joint Commission through the following three working groups:

1. Working Group for river basin water management;
2. Working Group on Danube;
3. Working Group on the Black Sea.

Bilateral cooperation Romania – Moldova

Cooperation is achieved under the Agreement between Romania and the Republic of Moldova on cooperation for the protection and sustainable use of water - Prut and Danube (Chisinau, 28 June 2010) approved by Government Decision no. 1092/2.11.2010.

Application of the Agreement shall be made by the Intergovernmental Hydrotechnical Committee on subcommittees established for the following fields:

1. Subcommittee on operation and maintenance of hydraulic Stanca-Costesti reservoir;
2. Subcommittee on flood defence and ice;
3. Subcommittee on quantitative water management and hydrometeorology;
4. Subcommittee on water quality and biodiversity protection of water bodies.

Serbia

With HUNGARY:

The agreement between the governments of the FPR of Yugoslavia and the PR of Hungary regarding water management issues, entered into force on 8 August 1955.

With ROMANIA:

- The agreement between the governments of FPR of Yugoslavia and the PR of Romania concerning water engineering issues related to boundary and transboundary systems and watercourse, entered into force on 7 April 1955.
- Several agreements and conventions governing the construction, operation and maintenance of the Iron Gate Hydro Power and Navigation System Djerdap were entered into by Yugoslavia and Romania in 1963, 1964, 1967, 1976, 1977, 1987, and 1998.

With BULGARIA:

The agreement between the governments of the FPR of Yugoslavia and the PR of Bulgaria concerning water management issues, entered into force on 4 April 1958. The agreement is formally in force, but cooperation was discontinued in 1982.

With other neighbouring countries:

No bilateral agreements with Croatia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Macedonia and Montenegro. The responsible Ministry has initiated extensive preparations for the formulation of agreements and the commencement of a negotiation process with neighbouring countries.

Slovak Republic

Bilateral cooperation of the Slovak Republic (SR) on the border sections of the rivers – valid intergovernmental treaties and agreements:

1. Treaty between Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and Republic of Austria on the regulation of water management issues at the border waters (signed 7.12.1967 in Vienna, valid since 18.3.1970, inherited with partners after the formation of the SR in 1993, Treaty between SR and Republic of Austria currently in the ratification process)
2. Intergovernmental agreement between Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and People's Republic of Hungary on the regulation of water management issues at the border waters (signed 31.5.1976 in Budapest, valid since 31.7.1978, inherited with partners after the formation of the SR in 1993, Treaty between SR and Republic of Hungary currently in the ratification process)
3. Intergovernmental agreement between SR and Ukraine on the water management issues at the border waters (signed 14.6.1994 in Bratislava, valid since 15.12.1995)
4. Intergovernmental agreement between SR and Republic of Poland on the water management at the border waters (signed 14.5.1997 in Warsaw, valid since 6.12.1999)
5. Intergovernmental agreement between SR and Czech Republic on the cooperation at the border waters (signed 16.12.1999 in Zidlochovice, valid since 16.12.1999)

Slovenia

With AUSTRIA:

Agreement between the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia and Federal Government of Austria on water management issues of the Drava river (Official Gazette of Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia – MP 1-8/1955)
 Agreement between the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia and the Republic of Austria on water management issues of the border section and the border waters of the Mura river (Official Gazette of Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia – MP 10-49/1956)

With HUNGARY:

Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the Government of the Republic of Hungary on regulation of water management issues (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia – MP 2/95)

With CROATIA:

Treaty between the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the Government of the Republic of Croatia on regulation of water management relations (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia – MP 23/97)
 Agreement on cooperation for the protection of the Adriatic sea and the coastal area from pollution (Official Gazette of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia – MP 2/1977)

With ITALY:

Agreement on the permanent Yugoslav-Italian commission on water management (Official Gazette of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia – MP 9/80)
 Agreement on cooperation for the protection of the Adriatic sea and the coastal area from pollution (Official Gazette of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia – MP 2/1977)

The minutes of all Slovenian bilateral commission meetings/sessions are available at:

<http://evode.arso.gov.si/index72dc.html?q=node/23>

Ukraine

The Tisza River Basin Water Resources Directorate (of the State Agency of Water Resources of Ukraine) is engaged in implementation of the Bilateral Intergovernmental Water Management Agreements in partnership with the Upper-Tisza Water Directorate (of the General Directorate of Water Management of Hungary), Kosice Water Management Directorate (of the Slovak Water Management Administration) and Somes-Tisa Water Directorate (of the National administration "Romanian Waters"), based on:

- the Agreement between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of Hungary on water management on boundary waters (Budapest, Hungary, 1997),
- the Agreement between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of Slovak Republic on water management on boundary waters (Bratislava, Slovak Republic, 1994),
- the Agreement between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of Romania on cooperation in the field of water management on boundary waters (Galati, Romania, 1997).

These bilateral agreements comprise the issues of flood protection, water resources management, water quality assessment and ecological monitoring, hydro-meteorological information exchange on boundary waters.