

Sustainable Navigation in the Danube River Basin

The NGO Point of View

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NGO Position on Danube Navigation

- Joint position of several basin NGOs
- Stresses ecosystem-based approach to navigation
- Guiding principles to ensure a “living river”



- Demands of NGOs to decision makers on several levels



Relevance to ongoing processes

- Appreciate Joint Statement and PLATINA processes
- First steps towards sustainability



- However ecological principles and limitations not adequately included



Position on Integrated Planning

- Proof during design phase that project measures will not stop or significantly hamper ecosystem processes
- Transparent dialogue with civil society organisations (CSOs) before EIA phase
- Management needs to be adaptive, based on continuous monitoring and evaluation



Sustainable Navigation Workshop

- October 1-2 in Ruse
- Sponsored by WWF and IAD
- Objective:
 - share and discuss NGO position
 - how navigation should work on a “Living River”
- Content:
 - presentations, discussion time
 - boat trip to ISPA 2 project site

