Joint Statement 3rd Meeting

Trans-European Transport Network, Inland Waterways Transport and the Danube Strategy

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Extension of the major trans-European transport axes to the neighbouring countries
NAIADES Action Programme

- Market
- Fleet
- Jobs & Skills
- Image
- Infrastructure
Inland Waterways Transport

R&D activities

- Modernisation of vessels for IWT
- Innovative marine propulsion concepts
- Maritime volumetric navigation system
- New cargo-vessel for inland ports
- Battery powered boats
- Development of models for inland ships
- Intermodal ships
R&D draft Workprogramme 2012
IWT (under preparation)

Topics considered for inclusion:

- Innovative fleet for efficient logistics chain
- Coordination action in support of NAIADES
- Innovative structural materials for ships
TEN-T and Danube Strategy

1) Transport Strategy for the Danube River Basin region

2) Access to the Region

3) Comodality & Logistics
Aviation, Inland Waterways, Rail and Road Transport modes can operate as single transport systems, however the **multimodal approach** can provide the most efficient and sustainable combination.

Appropriate Logistics is necessary at ports and airports for an efficient and effective integration into the regional transport network.
TEN-T and Danube Strategy

2) Comodality & Logistics

Inland ports are part of the New TEN-T Guidelines

Sea ports and Airports, nodes of the surface network, are important entry points from external regions, providing a direct access to inner regions
Inland Waterways Transport (IWT)

- Improve the capacity of the Danube and its tributaries
- existing bottlenecks removed, to ensure the proper level of navigability,
- implementing the NAIADES programme while respecting environmental legislation, based on the "Joint Statement…“
- Support innovative technologies
- Better training and career opportunities for boat men, captains.
Action Plan (1)

Inland Waterways Transport (IWT)

- To integrate IWT into the Transport network
- To implement and integrate International and National Policies
- To modernise Danube fleet
- To develop modern multimodal ports
- To implement PLATINA
- To develop innovative technology (RIS, engine, fuel, barges)
- To invest in jobs education
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President Sarkozy launched the competitive dialogue for the construction of the Canal Seine-Nord Europe
Seine-Scheldt Priority Project

Including:

- Development of Canal Seine Nord Europe in France
- Navigability improvement in Flanders
- Capacity improvement in Wallonia
Canal Seine-Nord Europe

Infrastructure parameters:

- 106 km long
- 54 m wide
- 4.5 m draught
- 4400 tonns barges
Canal Seine-Nord Europe

Reliable inland waterway through:

- 4 multimodal platforms
- 5 terminals for cereals
- 5 tourism ports
- 2 transshipment locations
- 2 water reservoirs
- 7 locks
- 3 pont-canal
Canal Seine-Nord Europe

Forecast 2020

- 4 times more tonns by IWT
- 500,000 trucks taken away from congested A1 motorway
Thank you for your attention!

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