

## Thematic Areas Background Document

## Thematic Area 4: Support to implement both plans, Financing of the measures

- Implementation of specific measures in both plans are national responsibility with a support of various European (structural/cohesion funds, CAP, LIFE etc.) and international funding possibilities. A variety of funding Instruments are available for the financing of measures for this planning cycle (see chapter 8.5 and in more detail Annex 20 of the draft DRBMP Update 2021).
- Considerable investments have been made in the previous years, particularly in the field of urban and industrial wastewater collection and treatment and agriculture. Also, a number of Danube countries and the relevant sectors have taken measures in previous years regarding improvements of hydromorphology (river continuity, fish migration/fish passes etc.) and plan further ones in the future (see Annex 17 of the draft DRBMP Update 2021).
- At Danube basin-wide level, the draft DRBMP Update 2021 includes a "Joint Programme of Measures" in chapter 8 containing measures of basin-wide importance related to the "Significant Water Management Issues" at the Danube level. The general list of measures stipulated in the JPM should be driven by a cost-benefit approach in the national plans.

