

Danube Region Strategy

PA7 Knowledge society



PA4 SG meeting in Bratislava, 28 May 2024
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Danube Region Strategy – priority areas

The Danube Region Strategy addresses a wide range of issues divided among **4 pillars** and **12 priority areas**.

Each priority area is managed by two countries as Priority Area Coordinators (PACs).



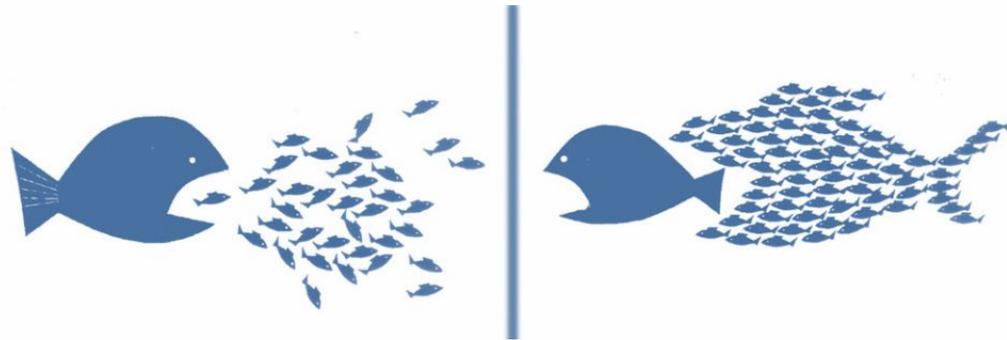
More information: <https://danube-region.eu/about/priority-areas/>



PA7 „Knowledge Society“ approach towards the EUSDR Action Plan

PA7 supports development of the knowledge society via education, research and ICT elements

- **horizontal** character; **cross-cutting** priority area
- **higher education, research and innovation** are not only highly relevant issues per se, but they also form an **integral and essential part of other priorities**; from energy, water and environment, to culture and security



PA7 – Actions

To promote coordination of national, regional and EU funds to stimulate excellence in R&D&I, in research areas specific for Danube Region



To promote participation of Danube countries in EU R&I Programmes, in particular in Horizon Europe



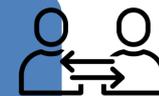
To strengthen cooperation among universities, research organisations and SMEs in the Danube Region

To increase awareness and visibility of science and innovation in the Danube Region



To support exchange of information and experience for the purpose of preparation of future strategic R&I documents applicable in the new programming period

To promote horizontal cooperation in S&T across all PAs and other MRSs



PA7 Working Groups

WG1: Danube Funding Coordination Network (DFCN) (Austria)

- to support joint R&D&I and STI activities
- to coordinate and synchronise national, bilateral and regional efforts in order to foster multilateral collaboration

WG2: Higher Education and Mobility (Serbia)

- interaction with academic institutions, exchange of best practices
- screening of possible opportunities for cooperation
- capacity building of HE institutions together with EU university alliances

WG3: Smart Specialisation of the Danube Region (Serbia)

- data collection on RIS3 in Danube Region
- screening and identification of the common priorities in different countries/regions of the Danube region

WG4: Danube Region in European Research Area (Slovakia)



PA7 – activities for better visibility and promotion



PA7 Website - <https://knowledgesociety.danube-region.eu/>

- Constantly updated with newest & most relevant information for the PA7 EUSDR target groups
- <https://www.facebook.com/DanubeKnowledgeSociety>
- Regularly updated with newest and relevant info for our followers
- Livestreams organised:
 - „Covid-19 vaccines in Slovakia wrapped up“
 - „Role of the Danube Region countries in space exploration“
 - „Karst springs in relation to climate change“



• https://twitter.com/eusdr_knowledge



• <https://www.instagram.com/danubeknowledgesociety>



• Various [promotion materials](#) prepared and distributed and events



PA7 „Knowledge Society“ using the Capitalization

support by preparing
surveys, reports,
studies

analyses on RI
prepared, communicated
and discussed on policy
level

common surveys
organized on the
needs of young
project managers

new legislation on dual
education adopted

hundreds of young people
trained on the project
preparation/implementation

better visibility of the
projects

joint calls and mobility
schemes ongoing

new study programmes
prepared

fostered national
reforms on dual
education

innovation trackers and
matchmaking platforms
created



PA7 current activities and future plan

Explore the Danube Innovation Tracker
The Danube Innovation Tracker is built by and for founders, investors, executives and tech enthusiasts.

12,184 STARTUPS 8,550 ROUNDS Login to see JOBS

<https://danubetechvalley.dealroom.co/intro>

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<https://www.drc-danube.org/summer-school/application>

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Losing the momentum?
The Western Balkans and the complexity of today's world

16 - 22 July 2024
Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Federal Ministry
Republic of Austria
Education, Science
and Research

**Danubius Young Scientist
Award 2024**
Call for Nominations

www.idm.at

IDM Institute for the
Danube Region
and Central Europe

<https://www.idm.at/en/activities/awards/danubius-young-scientist-award/>

PA7 Studies, Reports, Analysis

- [Joint_proposal_Priority_Areas_7_8_9_of_the_EUSDR_on_Better_Embedding_of_the_EUSDR_Pr_suitable_funding_instruments_within_the_new_MFF_\(2021-2027\)](#)
- [PA7_Targets_Analysis_\(2010-2018\)](#)
- [PA7_Targets_Analysis_-_updated_version_\(2010-2020\)](#)
- [PA7_RIS3_Analysis_of_the_Danube_Region_\(2022\)](#)
- [PA7_analysis_on_H2020_participation](#)
- [PA_7_Danube_Ministrybook](#)

<https://knowledgesociety.danube-region.eu/publications-and-study/>

Western Balkans
Info Hub

<https://www.westernbalkans-infohub.eu/calls/western-balkans-mobility-scheme/>

On 28 March 2024, the Western Balkans Mobility Scheme has been launched. This page includes all the necessary information related to the Call for Applications.



Joint Activities and Linkages with PA4

- both of our PAs are co-coordinated by **Slovak lead partners** institutions and strongly supported by the Slovak national coordination team – lots of possibilities to meet, share, discuss and support each other, create opportunities to “capitalise”:
 - ✓ get to know each other’s work,
 - ✓ help and learn from each other, grow together,
 - ✓ score better outcomes and results through peer learning, benchmarking, etc.
- new PAC project opened space to prepare **common activities**, such as:
 - ✓ joint online stream focused on promotion of water related topics to a wide public
 - ✓ bringing the topics related to water quality closer to the youth
 - ✓ summer schools, interactive tools (online?), mobile applications,



First joint on-line streaming



NEWS PRIORITY AREA 7 STEERING GROUP WORKING GROUPS FLAGSHIP PROJECTS CAPITALISATION DOCUMENT

Invitation to the on-line stream with a Danube Region Scientist – Hydrogeologist Dr Peter Malik
10 November 2023 | 14.00 – 15.00 CET |



Dear Danube Strategy supporters, friends and fans,

With pleasure, we would like to invite you to our **third public online stream with a renowned Danube Region Scientist** that will be organized on **10 November 2023 at 14:00 CET** as a short presentation and moderated discussion with a hydrogeologist **Dr rer. nat. Peter Malik, PhD.** representing Slovak State Geological Institute of Dionyz Stur.

- PA4 in cooperation with PA7 organized a stream **with a renowned Danube Region Scientist** as a short presentation and moderated discussion with a hydrogeologist **Dr. rer. nat. Peter Malík, PhD.** representing Slovak State Geological Institute of Dionyz Stur.
- Primary focus: **karst springs in relation to climate change.**
- Dr Malik was the main author of the **quantitative assessment of regions with a practical impact on the drinking water supply** in several Slovak regions, as well as the author of hydrogeological maps in Slovakia.
- He has cooperated in a **number of international projects** focused on the issue of karst and isotopic geology.

Please find the recorded version here: <https://video.nti.sk/rec/?1054817UBHVXQSI97>



Ideas for the next streaming in 2024?

Karst Springs in Relation to Climate Change Impacts

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Water Quality

KARST SPRINGS IN RELATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS

Speaker: Dr. PETER MALÍK
Moderator: TOMÁŠ TABIŠ

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50 Karst springs in relation to climate change impacts with Dr. Peter Malík - hydrogeologist

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