



4th EUSDR Annual Forum in Ulm on 29./30. October 2015



Facts on the 4th Annual Forum

Most important Annual Meeting of all EUSDR stakeholders

On 29 and 30 October 2015, the Annual Forum will take place, for the first time in Baden-Württemberg, in the City of Ulm. The Annual Forum is jointly organised by the European Commission, State Ministry Baden-Württemberg and the City of Ulm.

Due to the new governance structure, the hosting country of the Annual Forum will also simultaneously hold the Presidency of the EUSDR.

Around 1000 guests from the whole of Danube region are expected.

In parallel to the main event, several side events will gather stakeholder communities.

Key Events (to be confirmed)

Meeting of the Ministers in charge of EU Funds

29th of October 2015

Annual Forum

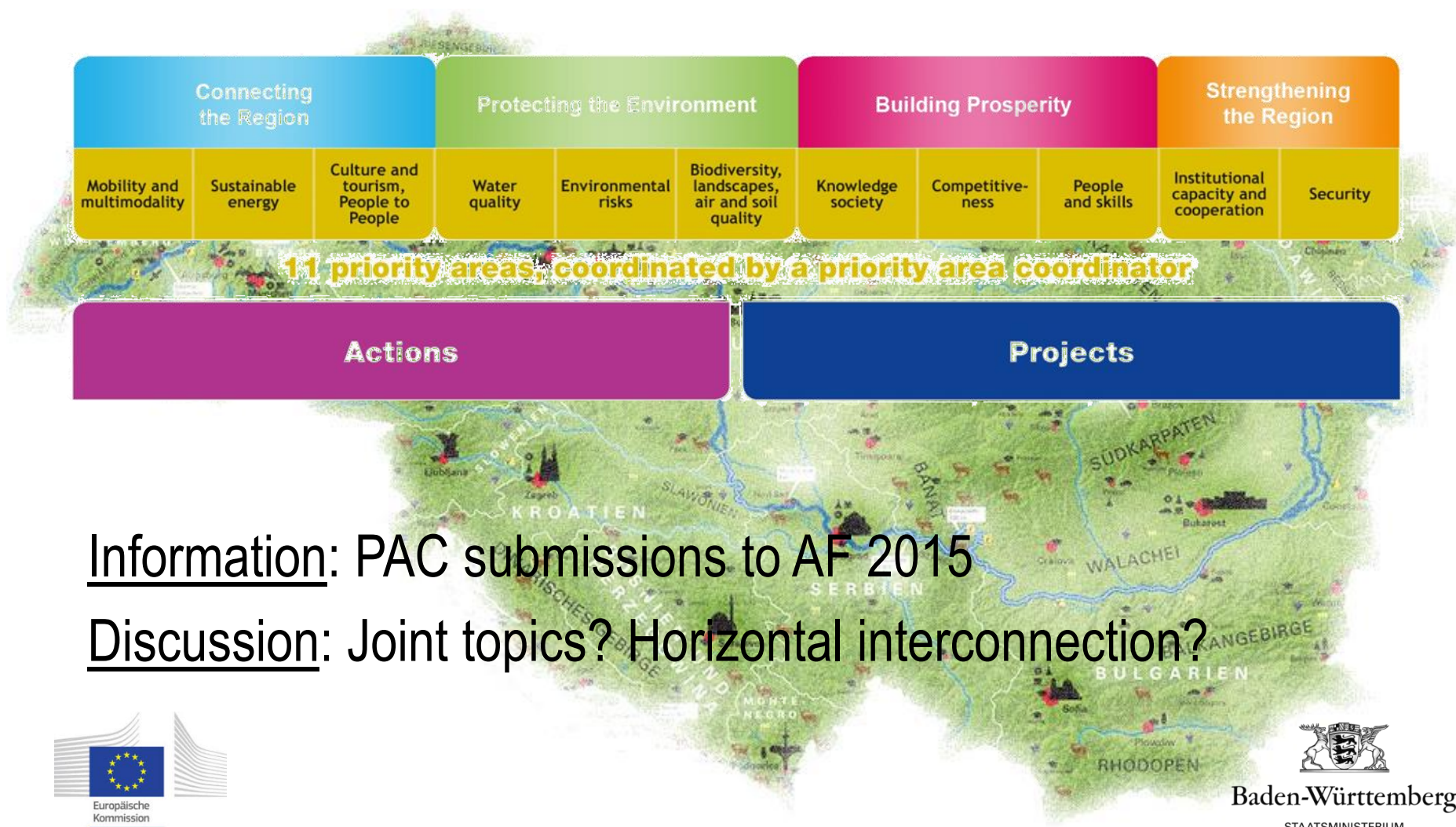
29th and 30th of October 2015

- Plenary sessions
- Workshops
- Evening Reception

Side Events.

- 2nd Participation Day
- JRC Event
- Conference of the Council of the Danube Cities and Regions
- Meeting of Heads of Governments / ARGE Donau
- “The young Danube”
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The four pillars of the EUSDR



Thematic Sessions (to be confirmed)



Thematic Session I – External Impact of the Strategy*

- Target: Beyond Administration – Discussing Ownership and Visibility for EUSDR in Parliaments, Civil Society and Media



Thematic Session II – Innovation*



Thematic Session III – Case Study: Entrepreneurship + Professional Training*

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11:30	---	REGISTRATION					11:30-12:30
12:00	---	BUSINESS LUNCH					12:30-13:30
13:00	---	CONFERENCE OPENING					13:30-14:00
	-	• Federal Minister for Labour and Social Affairs Andrea Nahles MdB • Minister for the Bundesrat, Europe and International Affairs Peter Friedrich • EU Commissioner Corina Crețu tbc • President of Romania, Klaus Iohannis tbc • Lord Mayor of Ulm City, Ivo Gönner tbc					
14:00	---	14:00-15:00	PA 7 14:00-15:00	PA 1a 14:00-15:00		PA 5 14:00-15:30	
	-	THEMATIC SESSION I External impact of the strategy	WORKSHOP Labeling of EUSDR projects	DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP Innovative approaches on the Danube and its navigable tributaries	MEETING OF Ministers for European Funds	DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP Flood safety in Danube-basin – The 1 st Flood Risk Management Plan for the Danube River Basin	
	--	• State Secretary Gisela Erler • Representative of the National Assembly of Serbia, tbc • Lord Mayor of Ulm City, Ivo Gönner tbc • Journalist, tbc					
15:00	---	COFFEE BREAK					
	-	PA 10 15:30-17:00	PA 6 15:30-17:00	PA 7 15:30-17:00	PA 3 15:30-17:00	P 8 15:30-17:00	
	-	DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP Building institutional and administrative capacities in the Danube Region on a transnational and crossborder basis	DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP Sturgeon 2020 – a flagship project for horizontal cooperation within the EUSDR	DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP Danube Open Innovation – paving the way for joint actions	DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP Financing EUSDR relevant projects: focus on culture and tourism projects within the territorial cooperation objectives	WORKSHOP Twinning and Tandem – Crossborder instrument to promote female entrepreneurship and decision making	
16:00	---					COFFEE BREAK	
	-					P7 16:00-17:00	
	--					WORKSHOP The way forward in aligning transnational R&I funding and activities in the Danube Region	
17:00	---	END OF CONFERENCE DAY 1					
19:30	--	EVENING EVENT					

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VIP GUESTS:

VIP APERITIF Bar/ Lounge Area Hotel Lago, 60 guests	18:30-18:45
VIP DINNER AND WELCOME SPEECH by Prime Minister Winfried Kretschmann	18:45-20:30
3 Courses, 60 guests + Prime Minister Winfried Kretschmann	
TRANSFER FROM HOTEL LAGO TO THE THEATRE HALL, ULM Historical Tram, 60 guests + Prime Minister Winfried Kretschmann	20:30-21:00

CONFERENCE GUESTS:

WELCOMING AND APERITIF at the Theatre Ulm	18:30-19:00
OPENING OF THE „DANUBE AUTUMN BUFFET“ by Minister for the Bundesrat, Europe and International Affairs Peter Friedrich	19:00-20:45
GET TOGETHER in the Main Theatre Hall	20:45-21:00

OFFICIAL OPENING <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WELCOMING SPEECH by Prime Minister Winfried Kretschmann• SPEECH • NN	21:00-21:40
Chair: Prof. Dr. Dieter Stratenschulte	
“APP AWARD 2015” Ceremony with EU-Commissioner Günther H. Oettinger	21:40-22:00

OPENING OF THE CULTURAL EVENT AND PRESENTATION OF THE „DANUBE REGION CAKE“ <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prime Minister Winfried Kretschmann• EU-Commissioner Corina Crețu <i>tbc</i>• Lord Mayor of Ulm City, Ivo Gönner <i>tbc</i>	22:00-22:30
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THEATRE FOYER Stage of Cultures	from 22:30	PODIUM.CAFÉ	from 22:30	PODIUM.BAR <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Danube Jazz• NN• NN• NN	from 22:30	PODIUM <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Balkan Pop DJ• NN• NN• NN	from 22:30
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END OF EVENING EVENT

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4TH ANNUAL FORUM OF THE EUSDR | 30 OCTOBER 2015

08:00	---	REGISTRATION					8:00-9:00
09:00	---	CONFERENCE OPENING by Prime Minister Kretschmann <i>tbc</i>					9:00-9:30
10:00	---	THEMATIC SESSION II <i>Innovation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EU Commissioner Günther H. Oettinger <i>tbc</i> Minister of the Environment Franz Untersteller 	PA 9 WORKSHOP <i>Enhancing the relevance of skills through educational cooperation in the Danube Region</i>	PA 2 WORKSHOP <i>Strategic thinking and policy decision making</i>	PA 10 DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP <i>Integrated urban development – developing capacities on the Urban Platform Danube Region</i>	PA 4 DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP <i>Setting water management priorities until 2021 – The Danube River Basin Management Plan 2015</i>	9:30-10:30

11:00	---	COFFEE BREAK					
12:00	---	THEMATIC SESSION III <i>Entrepreneurship + Professional Training</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representative of the European Commission <i>tbc</i> Minister for the Bundesrat, Europe and International Affairs Peter Friedrich Top-ranking Entrepreneur from Baden-Württemberg <i>tbc</i> 	PA 8 DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP	PA 2 DISCUSSION AND WORKSHOP <i>Putting synergies in Practice: examples from Carpathian Convention and the EU Danube Strategy together for sustainable use of local resources</i>	COFFEE BREAK		11:00-12:30
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13:00	---	BUSINESS LUNCH					
14:00	---	CLOSING SESSION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representative of Slovakia <i>tbc</i> Lord Mayor of Ulm City, Ivo Gönner <i>tbc</i> Representative of the European Commission <i>tbc</i> Representative of Baden-Württemberg 	PA 9 WORKSHOP <i>Roma and Sinti: Participation as Key to Empowerment</i>	PA 3 WORKSHOP <i>Sustainable management of touristic destinations</i>	PA 9 WORKSHOP <i>Labour Market Know-How, Exchange in the Danube Region</i>	PA 4 WORKSHOP <i>Protecting the environment in the Danube region: Integrated horizontal cooperation</i>	13:30-15:00
15:00	---			PRESS CONFERENCE 14:30-15:00			
	---	END OF CONFERENCE					

Next steps...

Save-the-date for Annual Forum (End of May)

PAC / NC Meeting on the Floating Conference (24/ 25 June)

Finalization of Workshops and Programme (June/July)

Opening of Registration before summer break

Thank you very much for your attention!

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