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Recent activities of the ICPDR

- **Joint Danube Survey 3** – published final report
- **Danube River Basin District Management Plan – Update 2015** – published draft report
- **1st Flood Risk Management Plan for the DRB** – published draft report



EU Water Framework Directive

Draft Danube River Basin Management Plan 2015

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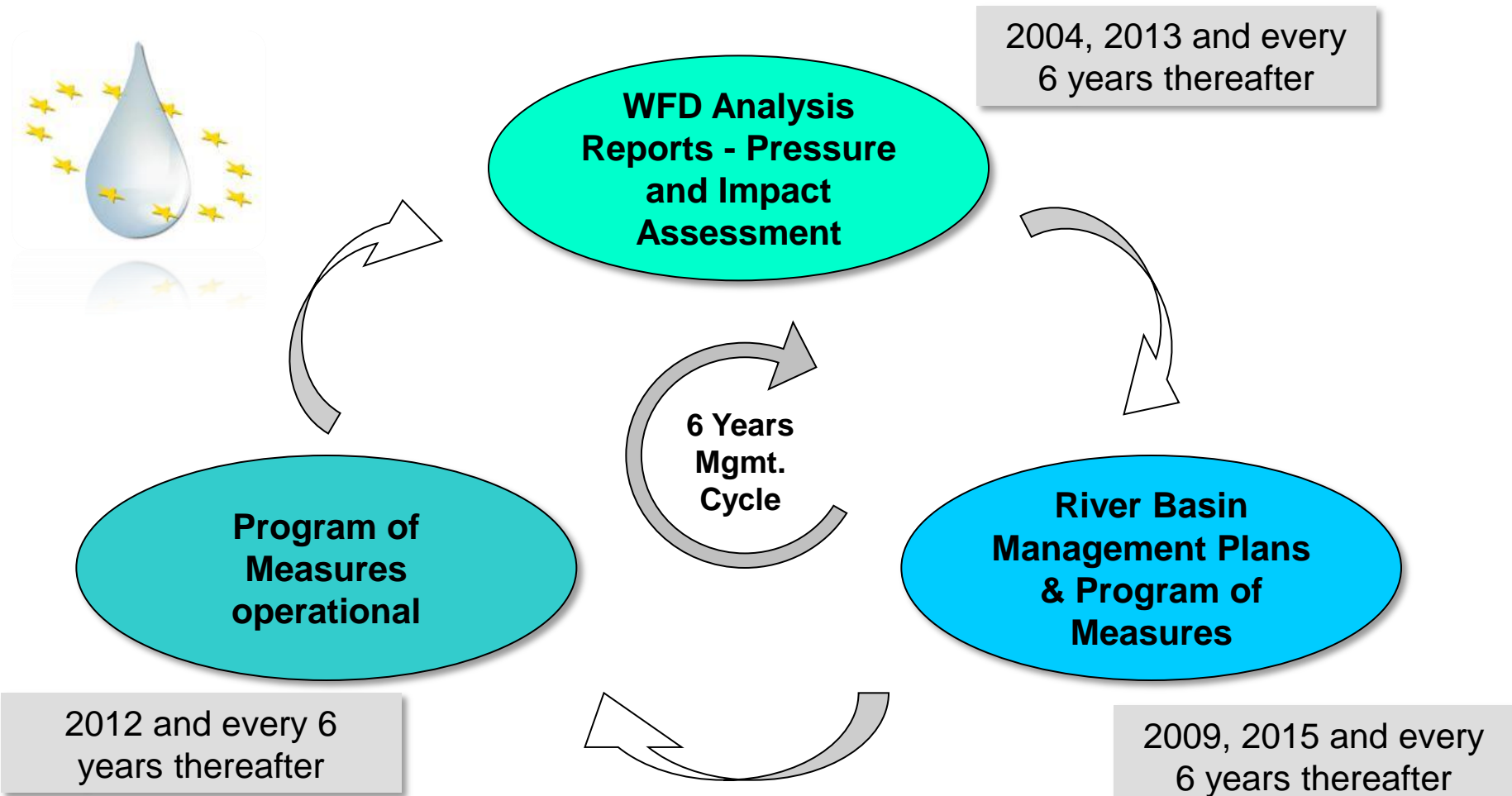


WFD Implementation Cycle

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2013 Update DBA: Step towards draft DRBM Plan – Update 2015



- **2013 Update DBA** (published in October 2014):

- Updated typology
- Updated pressures assessment (organic, nutrient, hazardous substances pollution, hydromorphological alterations)
- Updated designation of water bodies, HMWB, AWB
- Updated risk assessment to fail good status/potential
- Updated economic analysis, etc.

- **No legal requirement** for elaboration of updated DBA on international level **but**

- **Important step towards Draft DRBM Plan – Update 2015**



DRAFT DRBM Plan – Update 2015

- **Determines priorities** for transboundary water management on the Danube basin-wide level for the period 2015 to 2021
- **December 2014: DRAFT DRBMP 2015** published for launching public consultation (WFD Art. 14)
- **June 2015: Revised DRAFT DRBMP 2015** elaborated with updated data (i.a. on pollution figures, water status and measures) and adopted

The Danube River Basin District Management Plan – Update 2015

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Updated pressures assessment: Urban Wastewater Treatment

Urban Wastewater Treatment – Reference Situation 2011/2012

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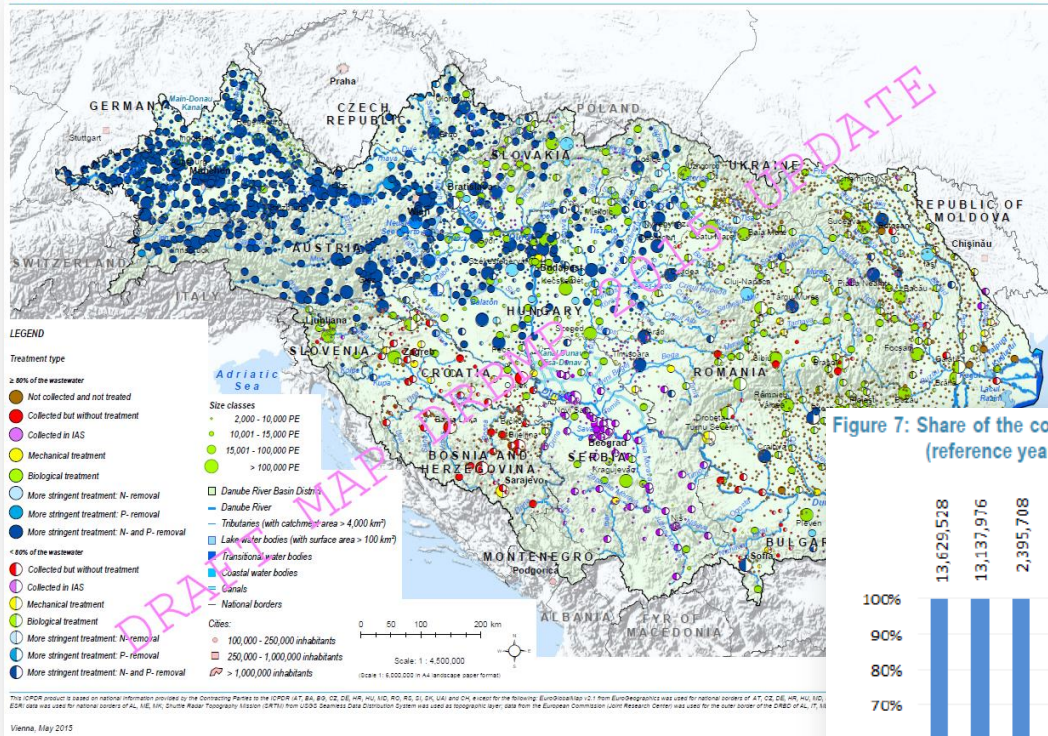
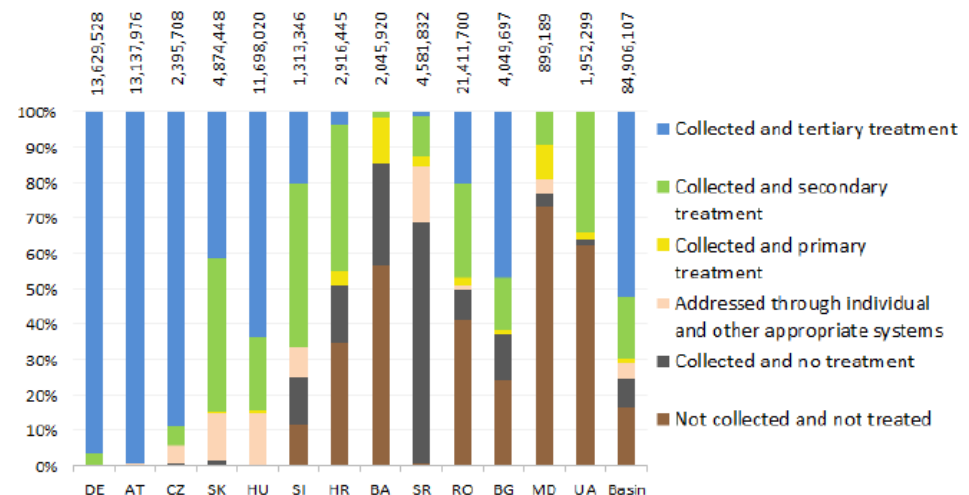


Figure 7: Share of the collection and treatment stages in the total population equivalents in the Danube countries (reference year: 2011/2012, absolute numbers on the top refer to PE)



27% needs basic infrastructural development

Downstream countries: emissions are related to untreated waste water

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Updated pressures assessment: Point and diffuse nutrient sources

Nutrient Pollution from Point and Diffuse Sources - Reference Situation: Nitrogen 2009-2012

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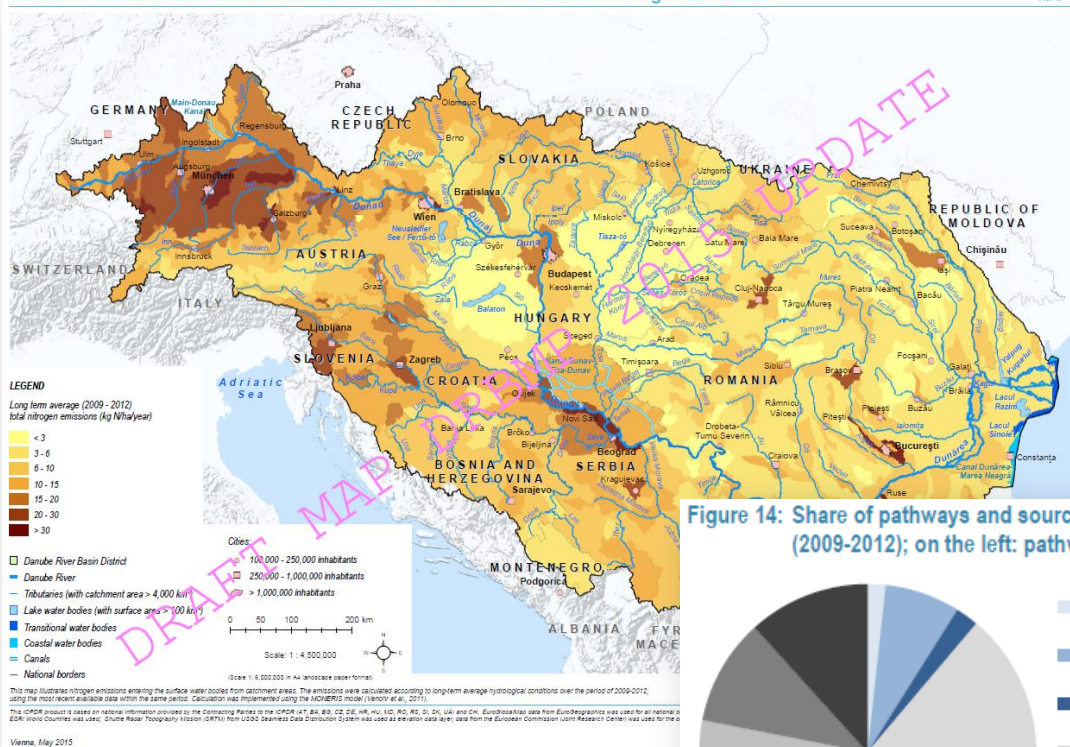
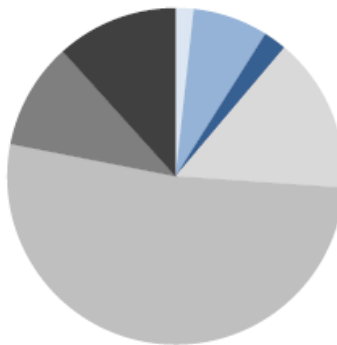
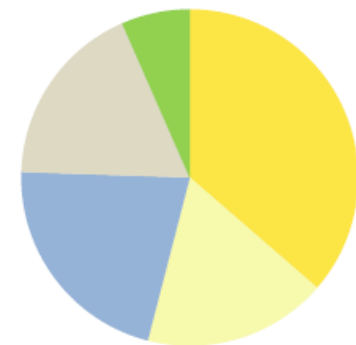


Figure 14: Share of pathways and sources in the overall TN emissions in the Danube Basin for the reference period (2009-2012); on the left: pathways, on the right: sources



- Direct deposition
- Overland flow
- Soil erosion
- Tile drainage flow
- Groundwater flow
- Urban runoff
- Point sources



- Agriculture (fertilisers)
- Agriculture (deposition)
- Urban water management
- Other areas
- Natural background

TN: 675 000 tons per year

Dominance of diffuse sources

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Updated pressures assessment:

Hydromorphological alterations

Alteration of River Continuity for Fish Migration - Reference Situation 2015

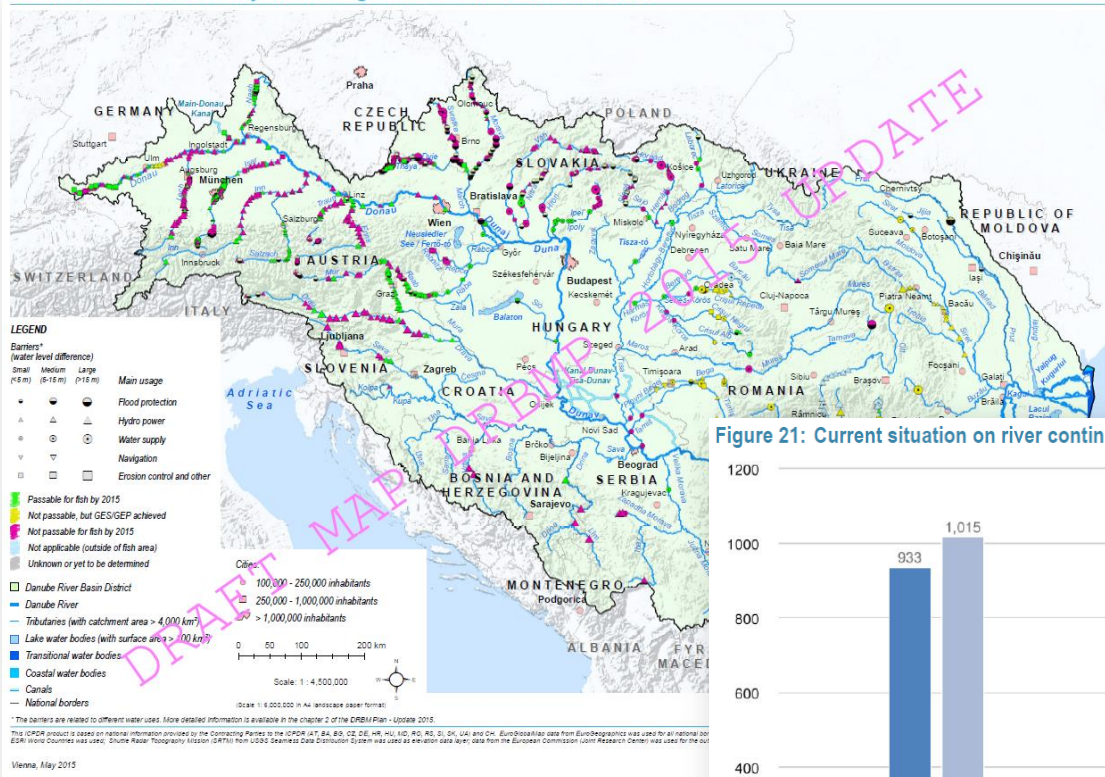
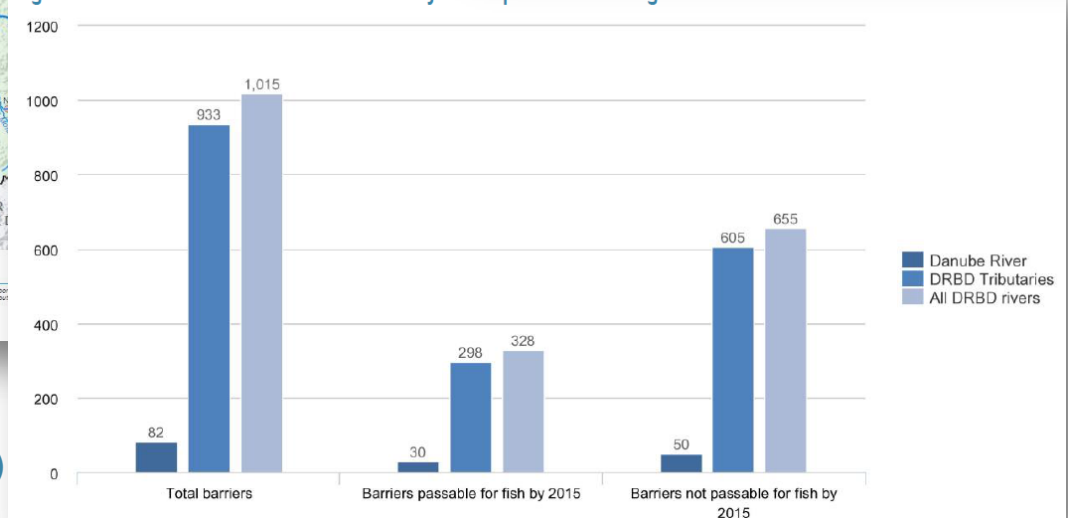


Figure 21: Current situation on river continuity interruption for fish migration in the DRBD



river continuity and morphology
disconnected wetlands and floodplains
hydrology (impoundments, hydropeaking)
future infrastructure projects

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Updated HMWB designation and status assessment

Figure 31: Ecological status and ecological potential for river water bodies in the DRBD (indicated in length in km)

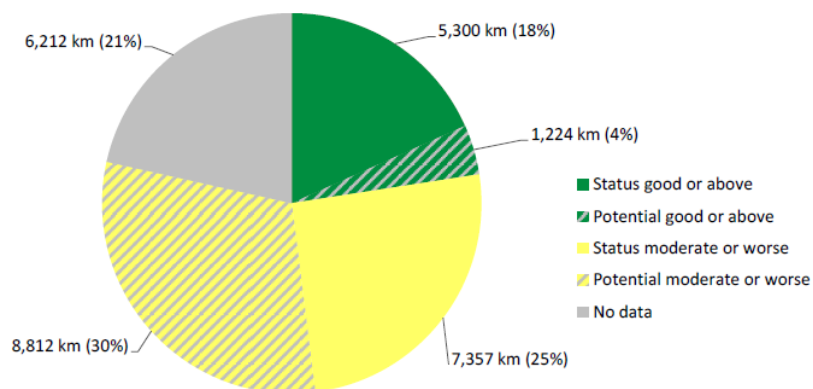


Figure 33: Chemical status for river water bodies in the DRBD (indicated in length in km)

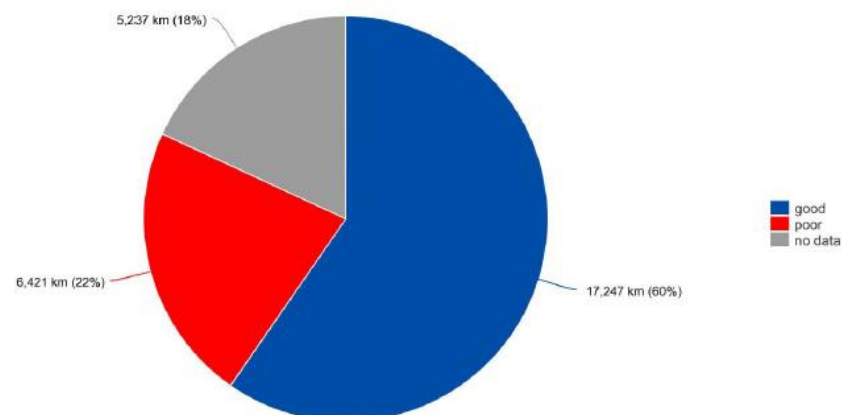
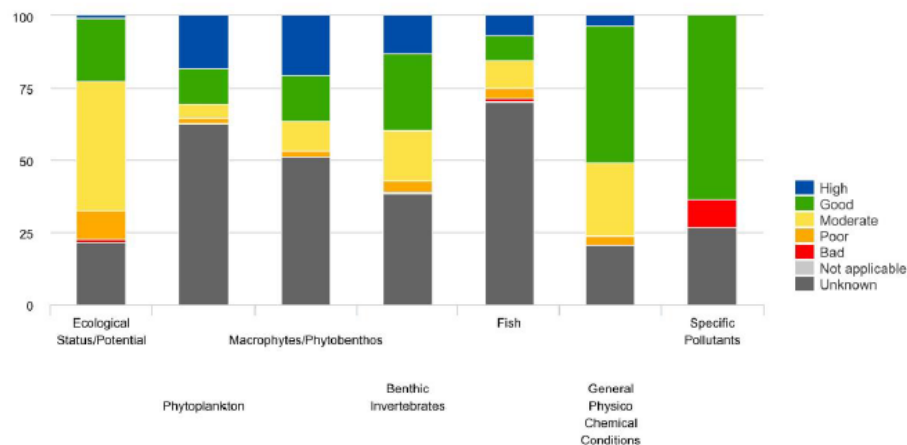


Figure 32: Ecological status: classification of biological quality elements and physico-chemical conditions (indicated as % of the total length)¹⁹



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Inter-sectorial cooperation

- Inter-linkage River Basin Management – **Flood Risk Management**
- Inter-linkage River Basin Management and the **Marine Environment**
- Inter-linkage River Basin Management and **Nature Protection**
- **Sturgeons** in the Danube River Basin District
- **Inland navigation** and the environment
- Sustainable **hydropower**
- Adaptation to **climate change**
- **Agriculture** – future task

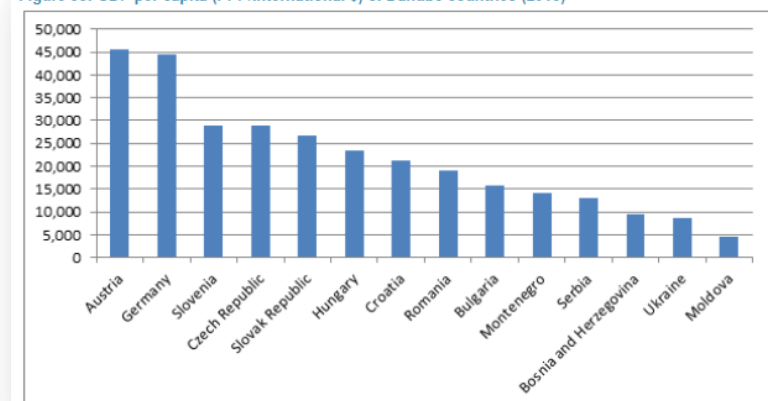


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Economic analysis

- General **socio-economic** indicators (national GDP, GDP per capita)
- Characteristics of **water services** and **water uses** (water supply and sewerage figures, economic importance of activities)
- **Cost recovery** approaches for water services (who pays, how much and what for)
- Projection **trends in key economic indicators** and drivers up to 2021 (population, economic growth)
- Economic **assessment of measures** (CEA for the basin – future task)

Figure 38: GDP per capita (PPP/International \$) of Danube countries (2013)

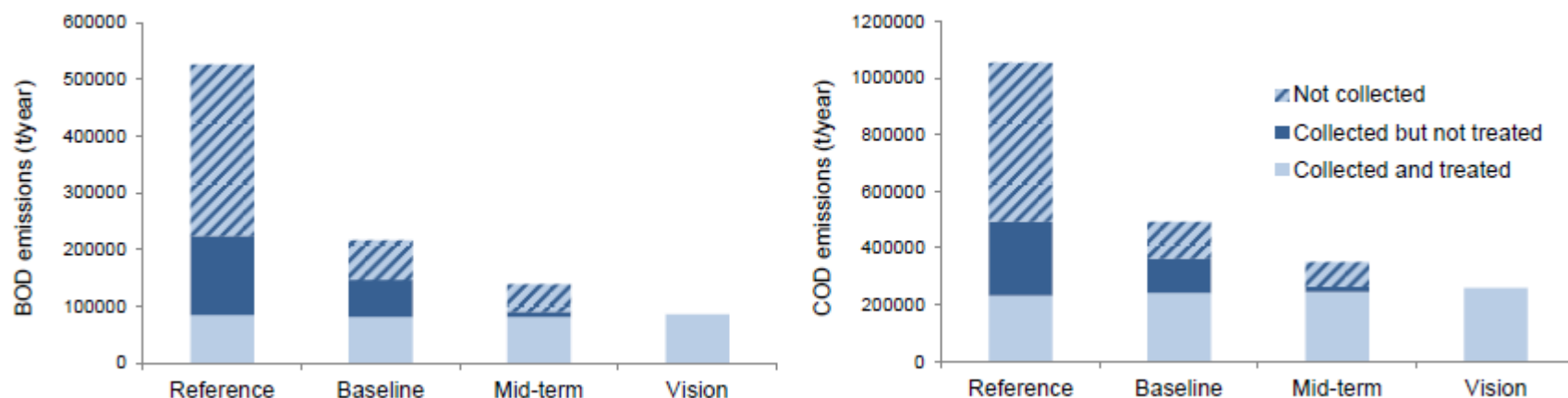


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JPM – Organic pollution

- Investments in sewer systems and urban wastewater treatment (UWWTD)
 - Reduction of pollution from industrial sources (BAT)
- ➔ Reduction scenarios for organic pollution

Figure 39: BOD and COD emissions via urban waste water according to future scenarios

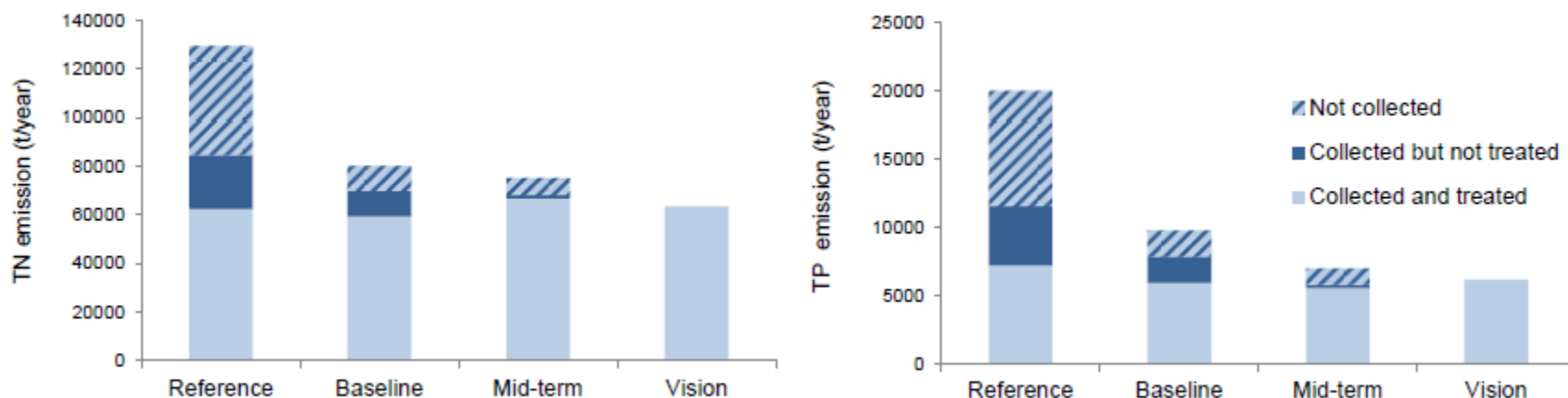


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JPM – Nutrient pollution

- Investments in sewer systems and urban wastewater treatment
 - Reduction of pollution from industrial sources
 - Agricultural measures (Nitrates Directive, CAP, best practices)
 - Phosphate-free detergents (Detergents Regulation)
- ➔ Reduction scenarios for nitrates and phosphates

Figure 40: TN and TP emissions via urban waste water according to future scenarios



JPM – Hazardous substances

- Closing knowledge gaps on the hazardous substances
- Phasing out/reduce hazardous substances (EQS Directive, REACH Regulation)
- Further reduction of the point source emissions as described for organic pollution
- Further reduction of diffuse pollution from agriculture
- Minimisation of the risk of accidental pollution



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JPM – HYMO alterations

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- Construction of 100+ fish migration aids
- Improvement of river morphology (river bed, riparian zones)
- Reconnection of 15,000+ ha of wetlands/floodplains
- Improvement of impoundments, ensuring ecological flows, addressing hydropeaking
- Sustainability of future infrastructure projects (i.e. flood protection measures, hydropower, inland navigation), no status deterioration



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Financing the JPM

Table 42: Overview SWMIs, measures and potential funding sources

Type of pressure	Measures	Possible financing source/program (EU)	Possible financing source/program (non-EU)
Organic Pollution	UWWTP	ERDF, CF	ENI, IPA II
	Industrial point sources (direct discharges)	ERDF, CF, ESF (capacity building)	ENI, IPA II
	Animal feeding/breeding lots	EAFRD	ENI, IPA II
Nutrient Pollution	Diffuse sources: agriculture	ERDF, EAFRD, LIFE, ESF (capacity building)	ENI, IPA II
	Diffuse sources: atmospheric deposition	EAFRD (concerning agricultural atmospheric emissions)	ENI, IPA II
	Diffuse sources: urban run-off	CF, potentially LIFE	Potentially LIFE, ENI, IPA II
	UWWTP	ERDF, CF	ENI, IPA II
	Industrial point sources (direct discharges)	ERDF, CF, ESF (capacity building)	ENI, IPA II
	Animal feeding/breeding lots	EAFRD	ENI, IPA II
Hazardous Substances Pollution	Industrial point sources (direct discharges)	ERDF, CF, ESF (capacity building)	ENI, IPA II
	UWWTP	ERDF, CF	ENI, IPA II
	Diffuse sources: urban run-off	ERDF (integrated sustainable urban development measures), CF, potentially LIFE	Potentially LIFE, ENI, IPA II
	Diffuse sources: agriculture	EAFRD, LIFE, ESF (capacity building)	LIFE, ENI, IPA II
	Diffuses sources: landfills, mining sites etc.	Possibly LIFE	Possibly LIFE, ENI, IPA II
Hydromorphological Alterations	Interruption of river continuity and morphological alterations	CF, LIFE	LIFE
	Reconnection of wetlands/floodplains	ERDF, CF (ecosystem-based measures regarding CC adaptation), LIFE, possibly EAFRD (Art. 30 NATURA2000/WFD payments)	LIFE, ENI, IPA II
	Hydrological alterations (quantity and conditions of flow)	CF, LIFE	LIFE, ENI, IPA II

- Overview main funding sources for different measures
- EU (ERDF, CF, RD, LIFE) and non EU (ENI, IPAII, LIFE) Member States
- WB, GEF, EIB, EBRD, HORIZON 2020
- More detailed information in Annex
- Link to EU Danube Strategy (**effective use** of funds, project development, facilitating direct financing, funding through Operative Programmes)



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Water Bodies

Side Importance

Importance

(5) – Surface

(5) – Groundwater

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Public Consultation on management plans



4 sets of activities:

- collection of comments directly given*
- stakeholder consultation workshop, 2-3 July (Zagreb)**
- social media campaign via GWP (watch our video!)
- online questionnaires***



*) See: <http://icpdr.org/main/draftplans-2015>, deadline 22 July

**) See: <http://icpdr.org/main/activities-projects/danubevoice>, registration still possible!

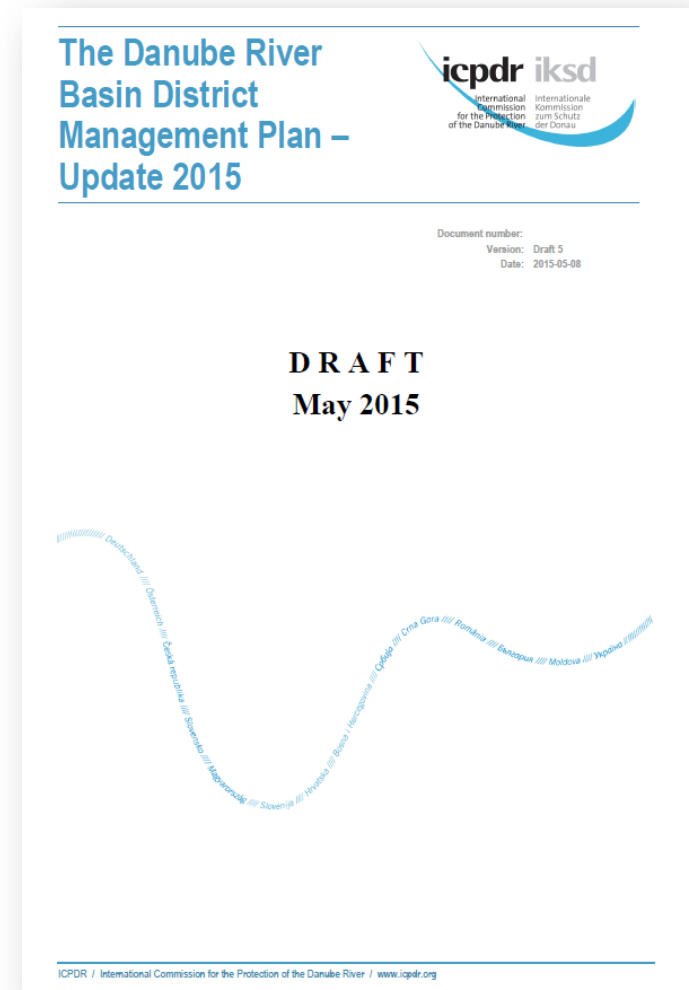
***) See: <http://www.icpdr.org/main/danube-management-plans-have-say>

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Next steps



- **2-3 June 2015: Updated DRAFT DRBMP 2015 adopted** at 13th Standing Working Group Meeting
- **Intensified public consultation** process – comments until 22 July 2015
- **2-3 July 2015: Discussion at Stakeholder Consultation Workshop** (Zagreb) together with draft Danube Flood Risk Management Plan
- **Autumn 2015: Update of Plan**, including data update and incorporation of comments
- **December 2015: Finalisation** and adoption of DRBMP 2015 at 18th Ordinary Meeting
- **9 February 2016: Endorsement** of DRBMP 2015 at Danube Ministerial Conference



Thank you for your kind attention!

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Iron Gates Project

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Preparatory study – Sturgeon behaviour at the Iron Gates dam

Monitoring of sturgeon behaviour
downstream of the dam (tag&track via
telemetry)

Financed by European Investment Bank
(Nov. 2014 – Nov. 2015)

Partners: Danube Delta National Institute
Tulcea (RO), Institute for Multidisciplinary
Research Belgrade (RS), Natural Museum
of Natural History Sofia (BG), NINA
Trondheim (NO)

Results to be considered for the future Iron
Gates feasibility study



The Standing Working Group

- a) takes note on the steps achieved in the process of the development of the joint document of the updated Tisza Analysis Report and updated ITRB Management Plan;
- b) takes note of the draft Tisza Project Proposal Concept and asks the Tisza Group to develop a project proposal from the funds allocated via ICPDR Technical Assistance to also support the preparation of the updated ITRB Management Plan in coordination with the ICPDR Expert Groups.