



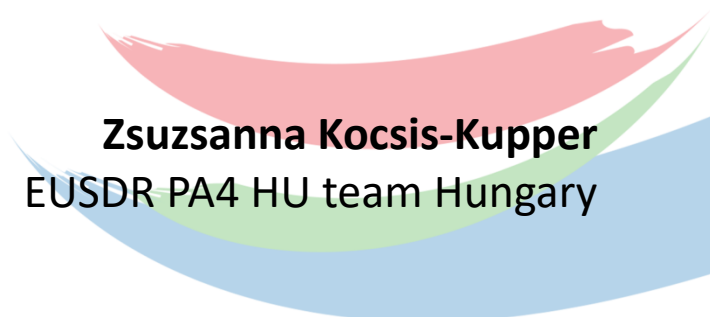
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**DANUBE REGION**  
**strategy**  
Water Quality

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**PA4 activities, plans  
and projects and  
CAPITALIZATION**



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## DTP Thematic Pole 4 – Water Management

<p><b>Composition of the TP</b></p>	<p>DTP 1st call: CAMARO-D, DanubeSediment, DriDanube, JOINTISZA  DTP 2nd call: Simona, Danube Floodplain, Dareffort (Measures)</p> <p>(Other programmes: Framwat, PA7 Project DREAM SK-AT , Sturgeon 2020 DANUBEparksCONNECTED, D.STREAM, GWP Drought)</p>
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<p><b>Capitalisation tools/tips</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• establishing email/contact list of the TP members</li> <li>• sharing information about project partner institutions/organisations for identifying connections</li> <li>• sharing more concrete information about the projects and based on thematic scope, target groups and stakeholders; project activities, deliverables, outputs to identify potential synergies between the projects.</li> <li>• sharing dates of project Kick-off conferences and event calendars for potential participation / contribution / joint organisation</li> <li>• identifying the appropriate form of coordination among projects and PA4 and PA5 (e.g. in connection to SG meetings)</li> </ul>

# Danube Strategy

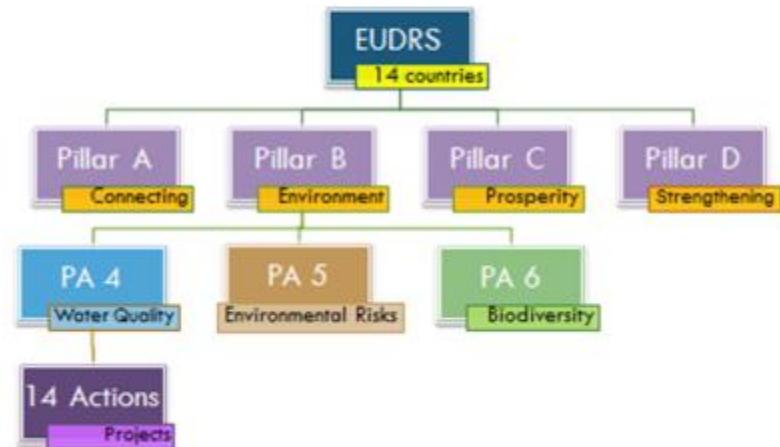
\* EUSDR adopted in 2011

\* Based on macro-regional cooperation is a sense of regional identity, common strategic planning and unification of financial sources: the actions proposed address the goals of developing sustainable use of resources and contribute to the goals of Europe 2020 targets.



The area covered by the EU Strategy for the Danube Region stretches from the Black Forest (Germany) to the Black Sea (Romania-Ukraine-Moldova) and is home to 115 million inhabitants. (Danube River Basin: 80 million)

## PA 4 „Water”




# Key players and roles



Governments, international organizations, scientific community, project partners

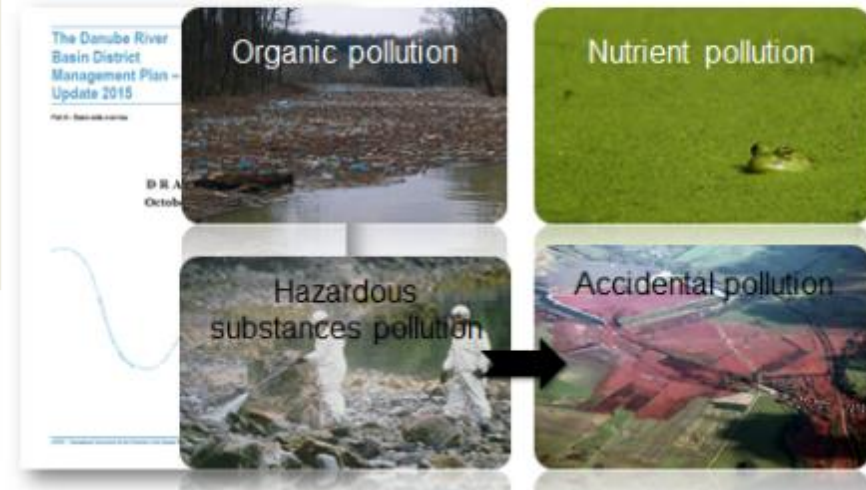
## PA4 – setting the scene



- > *Main objective:* to restore and maintain the quality of waters.
- > *Main challenges/significant water management issues:* organic and nutrient pollution, hazardous substances pollution, hydromorphological alterations.
- > *Tools of implementation:*
  - ✓ cooperation with relevant institutions, policy-making,
  - ✓ alignment of funding,
  - ✓ facilitate project implementation as well as the set up of project consortiums,
  - ✓ publication of the main results.

EUSDR PA4 coordination: HU and SK

## Significant Water Management Issues (pollution related)



ICPDR, SRBC, CC, GWP, WWF, REC



## How to reinforce synergy:

- Strengthening the network
- Closer coordination
- Early consultations
- Meeting efficiency
- Innovative approaches
- Mutual recognition and visibility
- Cross-sectoral cooperation
- Strategic guidance and coordination
- Priority setting
- Alignment of funding
- EUSDR team of PA4-PA5 participate at WGs of ICPDR
- PACS participate at key ICPDR meetings
- PA4-PA5 projects and researches are being introduced at WGs of the ICPDR
- PA-PA5 asked the coordinated opinion of ICPDR and its WGs for the issue of alignment of funding and JOINT PRIORITIES
- **COOPERATION is progressing further, joint notions are clear.**

## The ,targets' of PA 4

1. **Achieve the management objectives** set out in the Danube River Basin Management Plan;
2. **Reduce the nutrient levels** in the Danube River to allow the recovery of the Black Sea ecosystems to conditions similar to 1960s;
3. **Elaborate a Danube Delta Analysis Report** as a step towards completion of the Delta management Plan;
4. **Elaborate, adopt and implement sub-basin management plans**, such as Sava, Tisza and Prut sub-basins
5. **Secure viable populations** of Danube sturgeon species

## Focus on the following topics

- strengthening sub-basin activities,
- facilitate the efficiency of waste water treatment in the basin (specific focus on non-EU countries),
- challenges in relation to hazardous substances, and substances that are problematic for Danube Regions,
- better integration of agriculture sector in water management (strengthening cooperation with agri sector),
- updated solutions in the assessment of new sustainable human development activities towards the Danube Region development (in accordance with the Article 4.7 of the WFD – 2000/60/EC),
- river continuity interruption (reintroduction of sturgeon species in the Danube and its tributaries and sediment issues).

# Cooperation: results are already visible



Signed cooperation document



Bi-annual meetings, PAC participation at ICPDR EGs



Opening of the Tisza Office

DEVELOPMENT OF Policy documents, technical reports, studies, guidelines	Responsible	Year												
		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
Development of the Tisza Basin Action Plan	A1001													
Development of the Tisza Basin Management Plan	A1002													
Development of the Tisza Basin Environmental Risk Assessment	A1003													
Development of the Tisza Basin Water Quality Management Plan	A1004													
Development of the Tisza Basin Flood Risk Management Plan	A1005													
Development of the Tisza Basin Sediment Management Plan	A1006													
Development of the Tisza Basin Wetland Management Plan	A1007													
Development of the Tisza Basin Riparian Zone Management Plan	A1008													
Development of the Tisza Basin Cultural Heritage Management Plan	A1009													
Development of the Tisza Basin Landscape Management Plan	A1010													
Development of the Tisza Basin Air Quality Management Plan	A1011													
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Joint Workplan of Priority Area 4



Joint project preparations and implementation



Signature of Joint Declaration: UNEP Carpathian Convention for sustainability of the Tisza Sub-basin and ICPDR Tisza Group at EUSDR AF Integrated Workshop



# PA4 PAC project 2017-2019

Partners:

HU

SK

ASP: ICPDR

- **WP1: Management, Publicity, Communication**
  - Reporting, Meetings, Dissemination
- **WP2: Policy development**
  - Closer links with macro- reg strategies,
  - WS organization: water and agriculture, Guidance document on sustainable agriculture to reduce nutrient pollution from diffuse sources in the DRB.
- **WP3: Cooperation, coordination**
  - Strategic and funding cooperation: EUSDR PAs, EU/int. organizations, funding instruments
- **WP4: Strategic projects**
  - Strategic development of projects (5)

# Danube Strategy Additionality: how can we help?



**Regional and local stakeholders, to tackle local and regional needs.**

**CROSS-BORDER Cooperation, TERRITORIAL cooperation**  
are useful for problem solving in environmental cases.

**Link policy with project implementation.**  
Address issues not covered by ICPDR. (ie: financing, projecting.)

Promote synergies, further provide platform for cooperation (macro-regions, regions municipalities, projects)

Main focus is on **embedding Strategy to OP** and assist in **alignment of funding.**

EUSDR experts involved in CBC and OP programming to ensure embedding.  
Joint project proposals to tackle concrete needs and problems.

# 4. EUSDR Strategic projects and linked projects

## Achievements in 2018

- JOINTISZA
- DanubeSediment

## Next steps –

- JOINTISZA (continuous)
  - SIMONA
  - MEASURES (jointly with PA6)
  - REVITAL<sub>1</sub>
  - DANUBEFLOODPLAIN (jointly with PA5)
  - DANUBE HAZARD (DSPF – ICPDR)
  - NORWAY FUND – WATERFOREWER
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- THEMATIC POLE events /CAPITALIZATION

# First macro-regional strategies' workshop on water

- Idea of EUSDR PA4 and was organized jointly by EUSDR PA4 and Interact on 19 April 2018 in Budapest
- All 4 macro-regional strategies participated and presented their water related activities and approaches (EUSDR PA4, 5, 6, Baltic, Alpine, Ion-Adriatic) + DG ENV, EG REGIO
- Interesting to see the different approaches / priorities of the strategies
- Roundtable discussion identified similar and different approaches on funding, stakeholder involvement and policy impact of activities and identified themes that could be subject to further cooperation
- Agreement on the usefulness of further common work – more detailed study will be elaborated based on the results of the workshop still this year and then a kind of task force established next year.

# Recent events

## EUSDR PA<sub>4</sub> participation

- 20-21 September 2018, 5th EU Water Conference (Vienna, Austria)
- 7th EUSDR Annual Forum in Sofia, Bulgaria in 18-19 October 2018.
- Back to back ICPDR RBM meeting (23/24 Oct) and **EUSDR PA<sub>4</sub> SG meeting (24-25 Oct 2018) Bratislava**

- Follow-up of the first macro-regional strategies' workshop on water in 2019

## JOINTISZA events

- 19 September 2018 (Szolnok, HU) - JPM workshop
- 6-8 November 2018 (Belgrade, RS) - Project Management Meeting, Steering Committee and Work Package meetings to be organised with the participation of the project partners
- 27-29 November 2018 (Szolnok, HU) - JOINTISZA project 3rd Ad-hoc Task Group meeting and Stakeholder workshop in relation to WP 6.4.

## Other project events

- 1 October 2018 (Vienna, Austria) – Kick-off mtg MEASURES
- 13-14 September kick-off meeting of DAREFFORT, 2018, Budapest, Hungary
- 18-19 September kick-off meeting of the SIMONA, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- 27-28 September, Bucharest, Romania, Kick-off meeting, DANUBEFLOODPLAIN

# Planned for 2019

- EUSDR PA<sub>4</sub> team will approach all Pole projects to obtain information about project achievements and results in order to share knowledge and to compile a PA<sub>4</sub> brochure on the results of the projects in 2019.
- Foresee to organize joint events with Pole projects, invite all of them to the upcoming EUSDR SG meetings and other capitalization events.

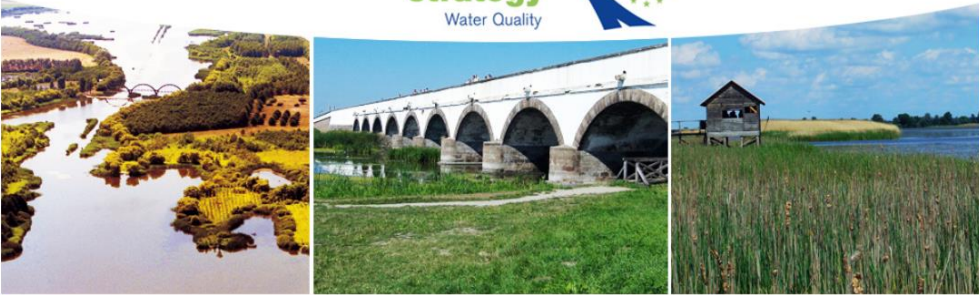

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**The JOINTISZA international boat won the VI. Plastic Cup**

Posted by Heilmann Diána, Tuesday, 21st August 2018 @ 1:04 pm

The PLASTIC CUP is a Hungarian civil initiative initiated by Filmjungle.eu nature film making society for the cleaning of the Tisza



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FUNDING IS  
AVAILABLE...**

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