

Short introduction to international research projects relevant for Pa4

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Background

On the 6th March 2014 a meeting has been organised by the Secretariat of the Government Commissioner for the EU Danube Strategy in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to introduce and discuss on scientific-research project ideas relevant for the EU Danube Strategy point of view.

Project initiators

- Hungarian Academy of Sciences Centre for Ecological Research;
- National Institute of Environmental Health;
- University of Debrecen.

The planned projects are international projects including several Danube countries in the work.

Project - AGOLA

Title: Accelerated ageing: past, present and future of aquatic biota living in wetlands and shallow water bodies

Possible partners: Water Directorates and Research Institutes of Slovakia, Romania, Serbia, Croatia

Project – AGAREC

Title: Aggregation and erosion – the dual face of changing in hydrological regime of a regulated large river (River Danube): ecological consequences

Project – ECOSTAD

Title: Development of the complementary ecological status assessments for the Danube, particularly for the floodplain ecosystems

Project – LAMECOL

Title: Impact of the various land use effect on the biotic communities

Possible partners: Water Directorates and Research Institutes of Ukraine, Slovakia, Romania

Project – TISZAMICROBIA

Title: Emerging microbial risks - Tisza river longitudinal analysis

Project –Tisza irrigation

Title: Tisza irrigation

Will be introduced in a separate presentation by János Fehér (Hon. Associate Professor, Leader of the GWP CEE Danube Strategy Task Force)

Next steps:

- The project ideas suggested to be introduced in details in the relevant ICPDR expert or task group meetings in 2014/2015 and discuss technical issues with the Danube countries experts;
- Project leaders should further contact PACs in case the project request letter of recommendations.