

Greening Danube Fleet - Policy Agenda Workshop

Date: 18th of September 2018 14:00-17:00 Uhr

Venue: Handelskai 265, A-1020 Vienna, Restaurant the VIEW, separate room

Host: **Pro Danube Management GmbH (PDM)**

The Danube River is an important international waterway crossing 10 countries including several protected Natura 2000 sites. Inland navigation is an efficient, safe and environmentally friendly mode of transport. In order to further reduce the environmental impact and to improve the economic performance of Danube navigation, it is necessary to stimulate the modernisation of the Danube fleet. Until now, the Danube's full potential is not used, in the last decades there has been a lack of infrastructure maintenance & investments, little innovation in the inland fleet resulting into little improvements for the reduction of the pollutant emissions from vessels. To be able to properly respond to all challenges and needs, an integrated policy approach is needed across the Danube region and on European level. The Interreg/DTP project GREEN DANUBE looks into these policy needs on a transnational level. PDM as project partner of GREEN DANUBE therefore will organise an expert workshop debating status and prospects of the inland navigation fleet greening. A structured debate of invited the IWT stakeholders from public authorities, fleet operators and other IWT experts shall achieve a common understanding of needs, options and required framework conditions for improving the efficiency and environmental performance of the Danube fleet. The workshop also shall provide recommendations for future policy making.

Timeframes	Topic	Speaker/ Responsible
14:00 – 14:10	Welcome & Introduction & Motivation	Manfred Seitz
14:10 – 14:20	GREEN DANUBE project overview	Markus Eppich
14:20 – 15:30	<p>Wrap-up of European/regional/national activities for greening of the inland navigation fleets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prominent – H2020 project recommendations (Juha Schweighofer, via donau) • A coordinated approach – the DTP project GRENDL – Green and Efficient Danube Fleet (Charlotte Siot, PDI) • Supporting measure - Innovation Transfer Centre INDanube (Lucia Karpatyova, PDM) • Update on activities in Western Europe based on CCNR/ECO meeting on 25th July and bilateral discussions with NL MoT (Manfred Seitz, PDM) 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LNG infrastructure roll-out in the Danube Region (Robert Rafael, PDM) • Position of Austrian Ministry of Transport, Innovation and Technology (Vera Hofbauer, bmvit, tbc) • Comments & Questions & Answers (all) 	
15:30 – 15:45	<i>Break & Refreshments</i>	
15:45 – 16:25	<p>Expert Discussion - Structured Dialogue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are suitable policy targets for fleet greening? -zero emissions debate • What are realistic expectations for future development of technologies (2025/2030/2050)? • What are main barriers for greening? 	All
16:25 – 16:55	<p>Recommendations for Actions (policy and industry side)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What policy measures could/should be taken to support investment/to create a business case for greening? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ on national level (build national framework) ○ on EU and/or transnational (Danube Region) level 	All
16:55 – 17:00	Conclusions	M. Seitz & All

The workshop will be held in German with presentations in English

List of invited IWT experts attached.

<http://www.interreg-danube.eu/green-danube>

Draft List of IWT experts to be invited:

Vera Hofbauer, bmvit
Bernd Birkhuber, bmvit
Juha Schweighofer, via donau
Simon Hartl, via donau
Gert-Jan Muilerman, via donau
Andreas Bäck, via donau
Rudolf Hye, DTSG GmbH
Radu Comanici, Danubia Kreuzfahrten GmbH
Norbert Baumann, DanuTrans GmbH
Herfried Leitner, TTS Austria GmbH
Karl Kuhn, DDSG-Holding GmbH
Bernhard Bieringer/Richard Anzböck, Kanzlei Anzböck
Werner Auer, Ennschafen OÖ GmbH
Fritz Lehr, Wiener Hafan
Ralph Gallob/Heimo Hintersteiner, ILL GmbH
Horst Felbermayr, Felbermayr Holding
Rene Matscheko, Voestalpine Rohstoffbeschaffungs GmbH
Oliver Schauer, FHOÖ GmbH
Representatives of PDM and PDI

