Priority Area 1a – To improve mobility and multimodality: Inland waterways



Working Group 5 Qualified Personnel & Education Standards

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EUSDR actions and targets

One <u>action</u> regarding qualified personnel and education standards in inland navigation in the Danube region is included in the EUSDR Action Plan:

- To invest in education and jobs in the Danube navigation sector.

- → One **final target** for Priority Area 1a of the EUSDR:
- Solve the shortage of <u>qualified personnel</u> and harmonise <u>education standards</u> in inland navigation in the Danube region by 2020, taking duly into account the social dimension of the respective measures.







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Shortage of qualified IWT personnel...

onboard of vessels

(little investment in education - ageing crews, working conditions, increasing technical and safety requirements,...)



in ports and logistics

(underrepresentation of IWT in general transport logistics education, little / outdated teaching material,...)









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Ongoing initiatives and projects (1/2)

Harmonisation

 EDINNA – association of nautical education and training institutes is developing STCIN -Standards of Training and Certification in Inland Navigation (www.edinna.eu)



Cooperation and Exchange (www.neliproject.eu)

- NELI Building up a Danube Knowledge Network (nautics, logistics, authorities and IWT business)
 - Education and training database
 - Information and Training Centres
 - Exchange of teaching material
 - E-learning: INeS Danube in Danube languages











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Ongoing initiatives and projects (2/2)

Research and Development

- PLATINA Platform for the implementation of NAIADES (www.naiades.info)
 - Analysis of existing education and training situtaion
 - Foundation of FDINNA
 - Strategy for the integration of IWT in transport logistics education
 - Toolbox for recruitment campaigns

Your future as a boatman

EU Social Dialogue

 Common improvement of working conditions in inland navigation







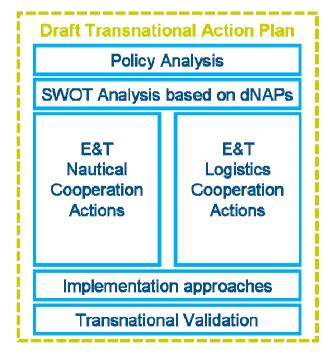


Danube Transnational Action Plan

The NELI approach

- 8 National Action Plans for Education and Training Issues in the Field of Inland Waterway Transport
- 1 Transnational Action Plan "Roadmap" for future cooperation actions in the Danube region
 - Input: National experts and authorities, River Commissions, EDINNA, NAIADES, PLATINA results
 - Catalogue of Measures

Structure of the (trans-) national Action Plan(s):





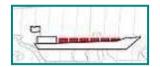




Nautical cooperation actions

- Joint recruitment actions
- Joint Danube training ship
- Cooperation of IWT information and training centres
- Harmonisation of training and certification
- Develop and share modern navigation simulators
- Teacher and student exchanges





















Ports and Logistics cooperation actions

- Integrate IWT Knowledge into port & logistics education
- Develop and exchange modern teaching materials
- Setup of IWT & ports logistics study programme(s)











