

Flashlight presentation: Effective waterway maintenance

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Declaration

on effective waterway infrastructure maintenance on the Danube and its navigable tributaries

Danube Ministers Meeting

Luxembourg
7 June 2012

Signatures

For the Republic of Austria

Minister Doris Bures, Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology



For the Republic of Croatia

Minister Siniša Hajdaš Dončić, Ministry of Maritime Affairs, Transport and Infrastructure



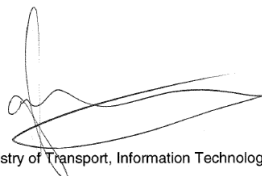
For the Federal Republic of Germany

Minister Peter Ramsauer, Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Development



For the Republic of Moldova

Minister Anatol Salaru, Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure



For the Republic of Bulgaria

Minister Ivaylo Moskovski, Ministry of Transport, Information Technology and Communications



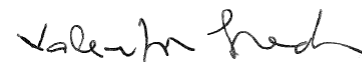
For the Slovak Republic

Minister Ján Počiatek, Ministry of Transport, Construction and Regional Development of the Slovak Republic



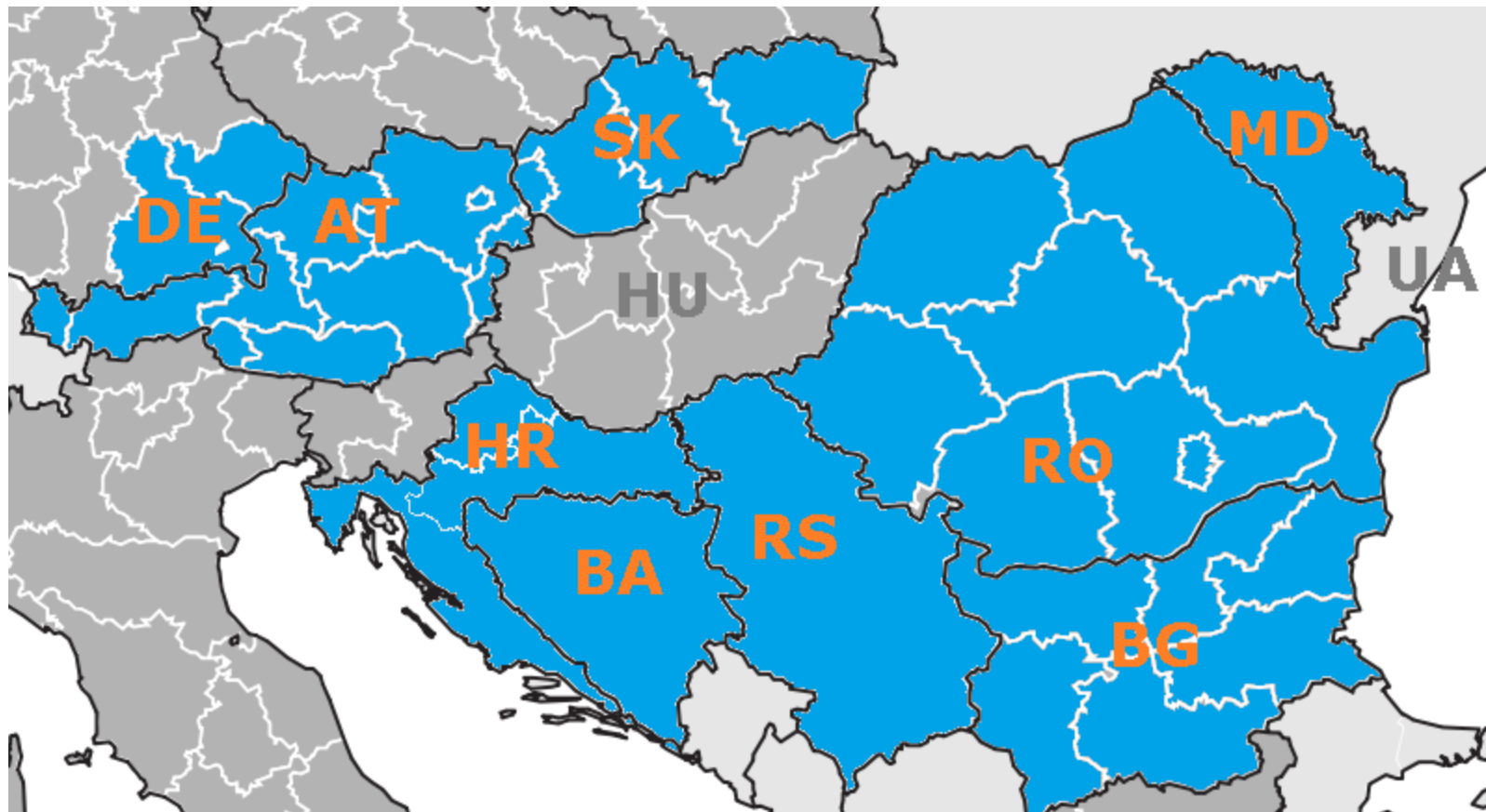
For Romania

State Secretary Valentin Preda, Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure



EU Strategy for the Danube Region

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



 Signature / endorsement

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Monitoring of implementation

- ❖ The Declaration foresees monitoring and reporting on the **implementation of the specific actions** in the framework of the EUSDR's PA1a
- ❖ **Working Group** = dialogue platform between the waterway administrations, the Danube Commission and public and private stakeholders
- ❖ PACs 1a, their JTS and the SG provide support in the frame of their capabilities → **Questionnaire sent out biannually** for update on implementation actions
- ❖ **Annual consolidated report** (June) on the implementation of the Declaration to be submitted by PACs 1a to the European Commission



Waterway Maintenance Master Plan (WMMP)

- ❖ Danube countries agreed on the development of a WMMP during the 5th meeting of the Steering Group in April 2013
- ❖ The **aims of the WMMP** are to ...
 - ✓ identify the gap between the status quo and a certain level of quality to be achieved
 - ✓ have a clear picture on the investments needed to achieve this level of quality
 - ✓ prepare EU co-funding for "hardware" (equipment, infrastructure) for the 2014 – 2020 programming period
 - ✓ identify possibilities for politically and financially supporting maintenance operations

NEWADA duo as supportive project for WMMP

- ❖ "Network of Danube Waterway Administrations – data and user orientation"



Duration: 09/2012 – 09/2014; 9 project partners; Budget: 2.24 million EUR

- ❖ Definition of **performance indicators** for waterway management based on common minimum **level of service**
- ❖ Identification of gap between common minimum level of service and status quo in waterway maintenance → **needs assessment report** (draft: 04/2014)
- ❖ Preparation of EU co-funding for "maintenance hardware" → **concept for follow-up activities** based on needs assessments (draft: 04/2014)

NEWADA duo: Annual Danube Report

- ❖ Printed and PDF version of **Danube Report** featuring up-to-date statistics
- ❖ First available in English, translation into other Danube languages foreseen
- ❖ Publication of **performance indicators** on waterway infrastructure and management based on agreement in BoD
- ❖ Tool for monitoring of progress made in providing agreed **minimum level of service** in waterway maintenance

