



BASIC PROJECT DATA			
Full project title:	Danube SKILLS - Increased institutional capacity in Danube navigation by boosting joint transnational competences and skills in education and public development services		
Short project title: (acronym)	Danube SKILLS	Project logo:	Danube Transnational Programme Danube SKILLS
Project website:	-	Project ID:	PA1A124
Need and added value for Danube Region Strategy:	Today there is still a lack of transparency and knowledge on how to integrate green Danube navigation into sustainable transport solutions. Increased institutional and organisational capacity should help equip public service providers with a critical mass of information and support to understand (=mind shift) and use (=modal shift) Danube transport.		
	Besides, there is a shortage of qualified personnel on-board inland vessels ar fragmented legal framework governing skills and qualifications in the Danub inland transport sector and hindering recognition of qualifications and mobility work force.		
Objective(s) of the project:	Danube SKILLS aimed to increase institutional capacity of the Danube region by boosting joint transnational capacities of education and public services for inland waterways:  - contribute to better qualifications of IWT work force and increased job security; - enable the free movement of workers and reduce loss of life and damages by avoidance of accidents; - prepare adoption of EU regulations in the Danube region by the joint development and implementation of new transnational learning tools; - strengthen institutional capacity and transnational cooperation in order to encourage the use of environmentally friendly inland navigation in the Danube region (Danube logistics promotion); - bring more transparency into the Danube transport sector by offering free and open information tools.		
Conducted project activities:	<ol> <li>Make public institutions in charge with nautical training and certification fit to implement common European standards;</li> <li>Make public institutions responsible for Danube navigation development fit to provide services to actively trigger a raise of modal share of green Danube transport and to act as 1-stop-shops for Danube logistics;</li> <li>Set-up of institutional (= sector-wide) Capacity Building cooperation for improving legal and policy frameworks on nautical qualifications and Danube transport promotion.</li> </ol>		
Transboundary impact:	Partners from Germany, Austria, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria, Romania & International associations		
Project beneficiaries / target groups:	<ul> <li>Danube shipping companies (incl. captains, personnel on board)</li> <li>Danube logistics companies (incl. shipping and forwarding companies, logistics operators, port/ terminal operators, cargo owners)</li> <li>Public Danube logistics education institutions</li> <li>Public Danube logistics promotion centres</li> <li>Transnational (i.e. DG MOVE, CCNR, DC) and national (ministries) public administrations</li> <li>International institutions (i.e. EDINNA, ETF)</li> </ul>		













STATUS AND TIME FRAME				
Current project pha (please tick a box)			ıdy)	
Start date: 01		7	End date:	06/2019
Notes:	Notes: The project is already concluded.			
PROJECT TEAM				
Project leader:	CERONAV – Romanian maritime training centre / Romania			
Project partner(s):	Romanian Maritime Training Centre/Romania Union of Inland Ports/Romania Austrian Waterway Company/Austria University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria/Austria Maritime School Bratislava/Slovakia Waterborne Transport Development Agency/Slovakia National Association of Radio Distress-Signalling and Infocommunications/Hungary Executive Agency Maritime Administration/Bulgaria Forum for Balkan Transport and Infrastructure/Bulgaria Inland Navigation Development Centre Ltd/Croatia Faculty of Transport and Traffic Sciences/Croatia School of shipping, shipbuilding and hydrobuilding/Serbia Port Governance Agency/Serbia Central Commission for the Navigation on the Rhine Danube Commission Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure/Germany Ministry of Transport Of the Czech Republic European Transport Workers' Federation Edinna Association Association for Inland Navigation and Waterways (tbc)			
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FINANCING				
Available: (please tick a box)	☐ Yes		<b>x</b> Partly	□ No
Total budget:	2,023,100 EUR			
Source(s) and amount (potential sources for project ideas):	X National/regional funds:		303,465 EUR (financing through project partners)	
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	☐ IFI lo	ans:	-	
	☐ Priva	te funds:	-	
	Othe	r:	-	
PROJECT ENVIRONMENT				
Project cross-reference:	NELI, HINT			
Cross-reference ID(s):	PA1A009	and PA1A018	3	
Strategic reference:	- Europe 2020 - NAIADES II - EUSDR PA 10 - EUSDR PA 1A			
Relevant legislation:	<b>Directive 96/50/EC</b> on the harmonization of the conditions for obtaining national boatmasters' certificates for the carriage of goods and passengers by inland waterway in the Community			
Other:	-			
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Relation to other Priority Areas of the Danube Region Strategy:	PA1b: To improve mobility and multimodality – Road, rail and air links  PA02: To encourage more sustainable energy  PA03: To promote culture and tourism, people and people contacts  PA04: To restore and maintain the quality of waters  PA05: To manage environmental risks  PA06: To preserve biodiversity, landscapes and the quality of air and soils  PA07: To develop the knowledge society through research, education and information technologies  PA08: To support the competitiveness of enterprises, including cluster development			











		PA09: To invest in people and skills		
	x	PA10: To step up institutional capacity and cooperation		
		PA11: To work together to promote security and tackle organised and serious crime		
EUSDR COMPLIANCE				
Compliance with targets of the Danube Region	x	Increase the cargo transport on the river by 20% by 2020 compared to 2010.		
Strategy:		Solve obstacles to navigability, taking into account the specific characteristics of each section of the Danube and its navigable tributaries and establish effective waterway infrastructure management by 2020.		
		Develop efficient multimodal terminals at river ports along the Danube and its navigable tributaries to connect inland waterways with rail and road transport by 2020.		
		Implement harmonised River Information Services (RIS) on the Danube and its navigable tributaries and ensure the international exchange of RIS data preferably by 2020.		
	x	Solve the shortage of qualified personnel and harmonize education standards in inland navigation in the Danube region by 2020, taking duly into account the social dimension of the respective measures.		
Compliance with actions of the Danube Region Strategy:		To complete the implementation of TEN-T Priority Project 18 on time and in an environmentally sustainable way.		
o,		To invest in waterway infrastructure of Danube and its tributaries and develop the interconnections.		
		To modernise the Danube fleet in order to improve environmental and economic performance.		
		To coordinate national transport policies in the field of navigation in the Danube basin.		
		To support Danube Commission in finalising the process of reviewing the Belgrade Convention.		
		To develop ports in the Danube river basin into multimodal logistics centres.		
		To improve comprehensive waterway management of the Danube and its tributaries.		
	x	To promote sustainable freight transport in the Danube Region.		
		To implement harmonised River Information Services (RIS).		
	x	To invest in education and jobs in the Danube navigation sector.		
Affiliation to thematic working group of		Waterway infrastructure and management		
Priority Area 1a of the EUSDR:	X	Ports and sustainable freight transport		
		Danube fleet		
		River Information Services		
	x	Education and jobs		













OTHER RELEVANT ISSUES		
Project requirements:	-	
Follow-up project:	-	
Any other issues:	-	





