

PRESS RELEASE

**Visit of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania
to the Secretariat of the Danube Commission**

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On 7 May 2015, H.E. Mr. Bogdan Aurescu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania, accompanied by a delegation, paid a visit to the Secretariat of the Danube Commission (DC).

The Presidency of the Danube Commission, Representatives of the Member States and Observer States of the DC as well as the DC Secretariat attended the meeting.

The Foreign Minister noted that Romania is strongly interested in the modernization of the Danube Commission, one of the most important instruments in Europe dealing with the navigation, and rules of navigation for the Danube. Minister Aurescu shared information on the progress made so far with regard to the revision process of the Belgrade Convention and bilateral consultations aiming at finding appropriate solution to the issues blocking the finalization of the revision process. Both revision process and modernization and streamlining the activities of the DC Secretariat will foster the forming of a competitive and effective organization – a tool for cooperation of the Danube riparian states. Romania reassured its strong commitment regarding the support of the work of the DC.



Summarizing the outcomes of the meeting, both sides valued the good spirit of cooperation and agreed to continue their mutual efforts to develop the Danube region.