

PRESS RELEASE



The Danube Commission (DC), under the presidency of the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Serbia in Hungary, His Excellency Mr. Rade DROBAC, (President of the Danube Commission), held its eighty-sixth session on the 8th of June 2016 at the premises of the Danube Commission in Budapest.

The delegations of all eleven member states of the Danube Commission (the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Bulgaria, Hungary, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, Romania, the Republic of Serbia, the Slovak Republic, the Ukraine and the Republic of Croatia) as well as representatives of the observer states (France, Greece, the Republic of Cyprus, the Kingdom of Belgium and and the Czech Republic) participated in the session. The session was also attended by the representative of the international organization: the International Sava River Basin Commission.

The session considered issues from the reports on the results by the experts group, Technical group and Legal and Financial group meetings and adopted a number of Decisions proposed by these groups.

During the 86th session, the representatives of the member states have approved some draft decisions in different fields of the DC competence.

Specific technical issues have been discussed during the session. So, the 86th session has approved the decision regarding the Recommendations on the technical prescriptions applicable for the inland navigation vessels.



International cooperation has also been brought into the attention of the session. By its Decision, the 86th session mandated the Secretariat of the Danube Commission to sign the Memorandum of understanding on the cooperation between the Secretariat of the Danube Commission and the Secretariat of the Central European Initiative with the Secretariat of Central European Initiative. This Memorandum results directly out of the necessity of cooperation between these international organisations.

Additionally, the 86th Session has approved the Decision to award Mr. Georgi Semenov Ivanov, citizen of the Republic of Bulgaria with a Commemorative Medal for tangible contribution in developing the Danube navigation.

The ordinary 87th session of the DC will be held on the 14th of December 2016.

