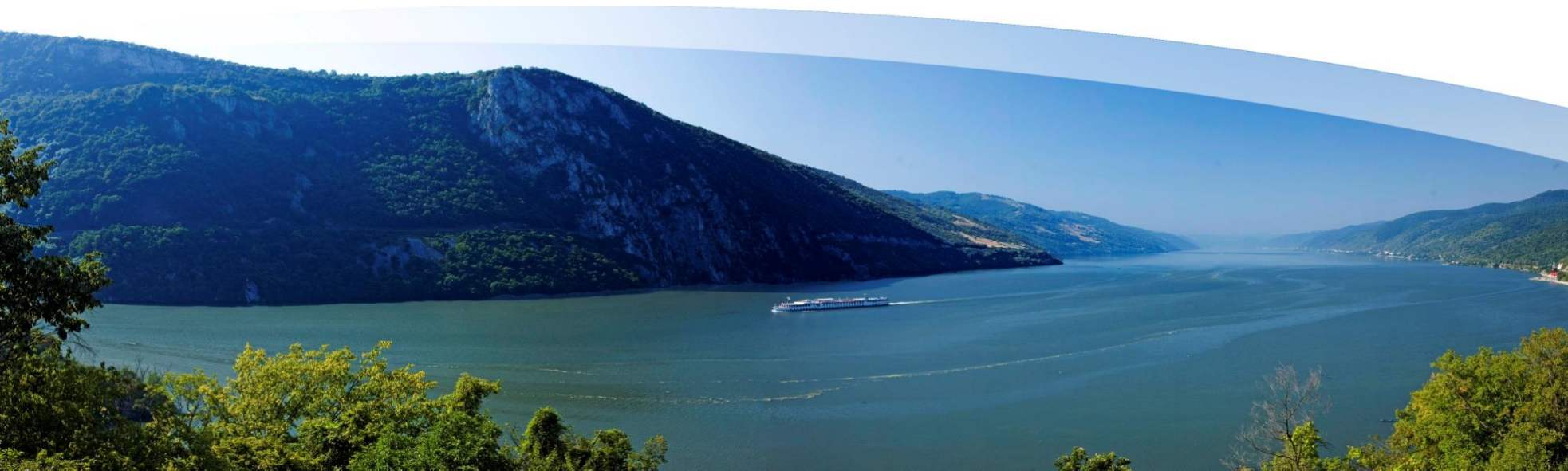


EUSDR PA1a: Update on the Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan (FRMMP) for the Danube and its navigable tributaries

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Six thematic areas – six actions – six Working Groups



Action 1: Contribute to improve waterway and port infrastructure & management



The objective of Action 1 is to optimally manage and improve navigability conditions as well as shore-side infrastructure in a harmonised and *environmentally sustainable way*.



Action 3: Facilitate fleet modernisation



Action 4: Support the further roll-out and enhancement of River Information Services

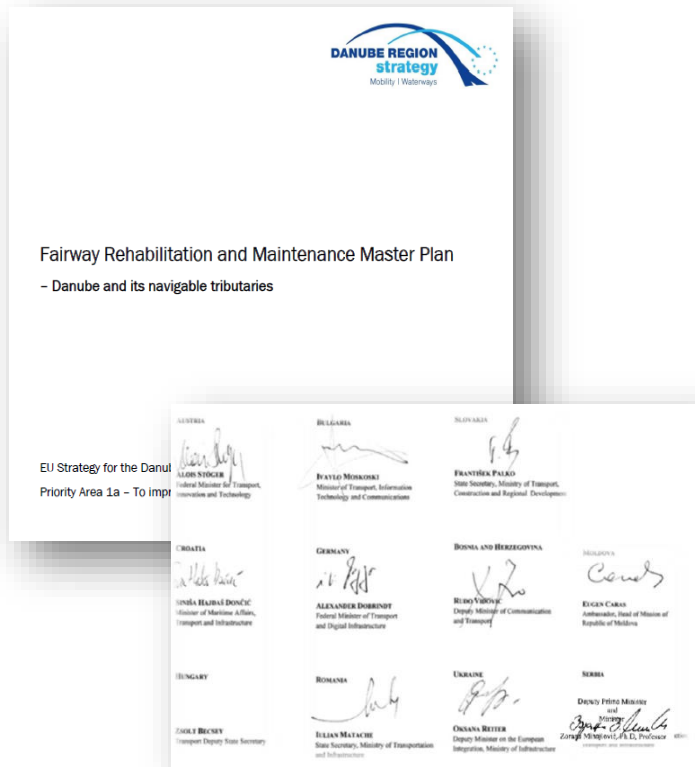


Action 5: Contribute to the enhanced quality of education and jobs



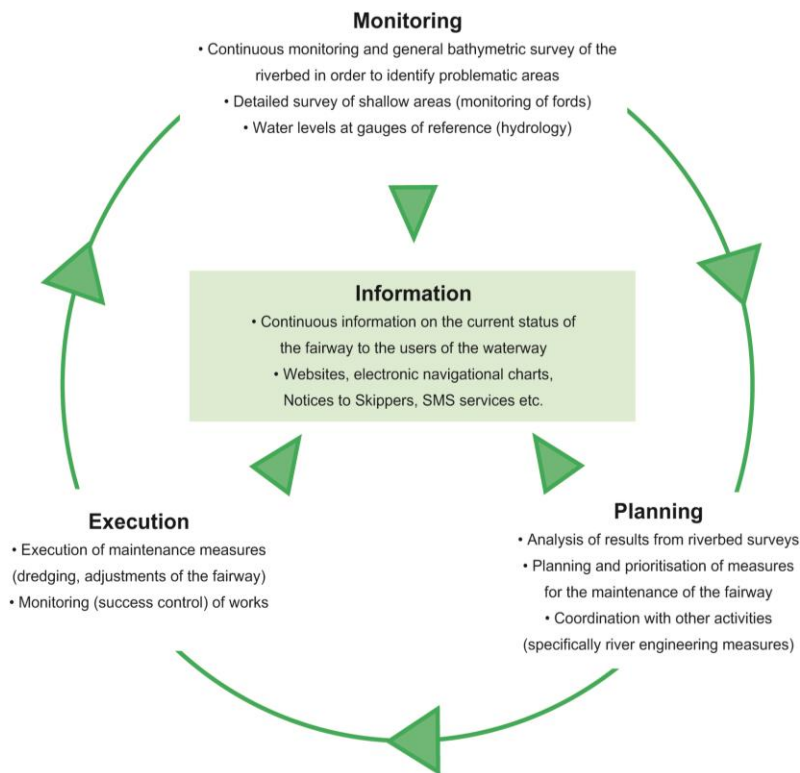
Action 6: Contribute to the simplification, harmonisation and digitalisation of administrative processes

Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan (FRMMP)



- initiated in April 2014 by Priority Area 1a
- elaborated by the Priority Area Coordination together with the Danube waterway administrations and European Commission
- endorsed in December 2014 by the majority of Danube Transport Ministers
- Main objective: establish stable fairway conditions along the entire Danube **by means of rehabilitation and maintenance measures**

Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan (FRMMP)



- takes account of the recommended **minimum Level of Service** (in most countries 2.5m fairway depth at Low Navigable Water Level)
- lists **critical locations** as regards fairway rehabilitation and maintenance
- specifies the **required national measures** and **additional investment needs** to improve fairway maintenance and reach the recommended minimum Levels of Service (country chapters)

Successful interplay between policy and projects



Update of the Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan (FRMMP)

2014 Fairway Rehabilitation and Maintenance Master Plan

~7 years of implementation



- large number of (trans)national implementation projects (FAIRway Danube, HUMARK, ...)
 - EU co-financing is a crucial enabler for investments (mainly CEF, Operational Programmes, IPA)
- some key issues resolved/outdated
- new key issues emerged
- transnational trends (accelerated digitalisation or climate change)
- several topics to be addressed jointly

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NEW: Ecological status/potential and ecological compatibility of maintenance measures (country chapters)

- Reference is made to the Danube River Basin Management Plan (DRBMP) Update 2021 and the current ecological status/potential and other protective areas
- Description of national processes and/or environmental permits to be acquired in case of planned maintenance dredging

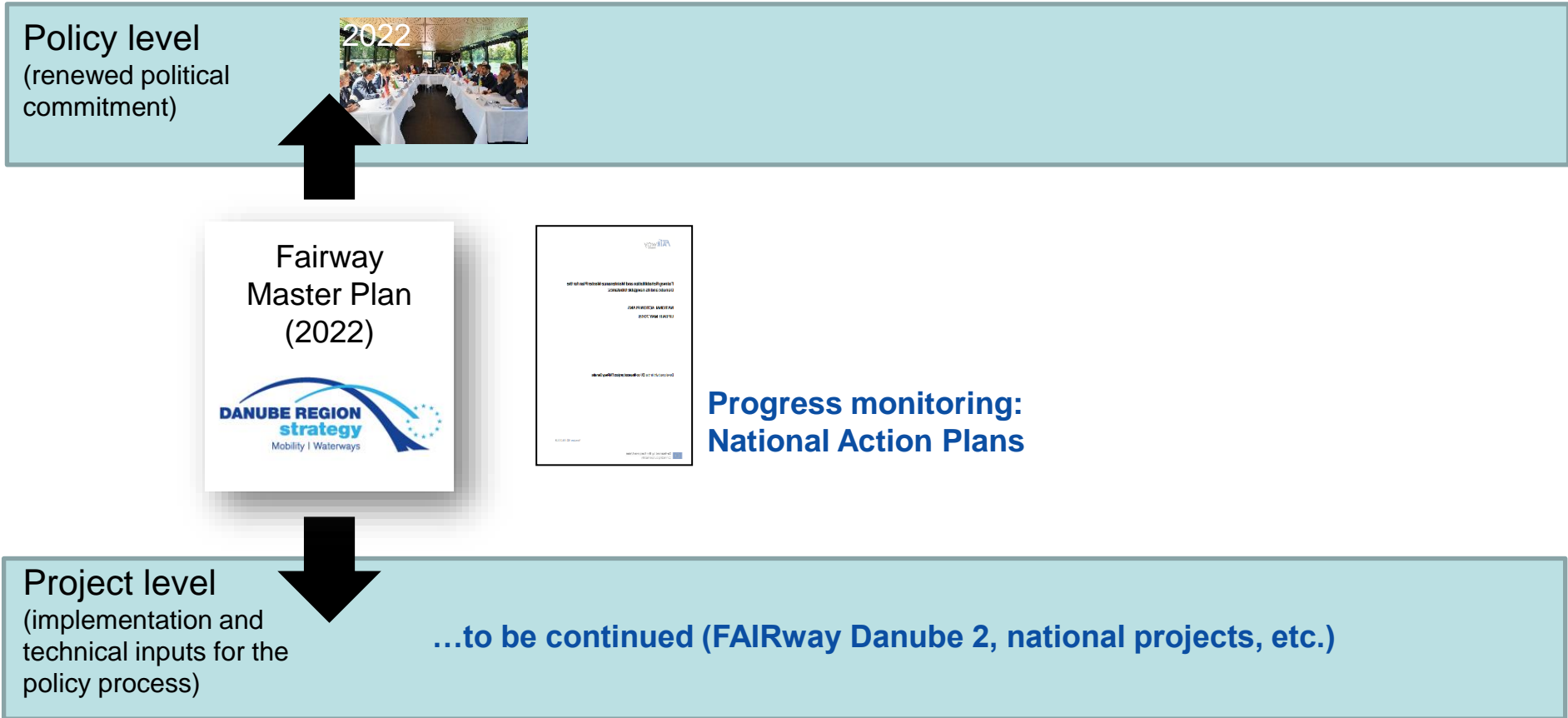
NEW: Transnational issues

- Centralised platform for harmonised waterway-related data (WAMOS)
- Harmonised Fairway Information Services
- Concerted approach to managing the impacts of climate change

NEW: Environmental issues

- Implications of the EU Water Framework Directive (WFD) (2000/60/EC)
- Implications of the Habitats Directive and other nature protected areas or species
- Application of the Joint Statement principles
- Sediment management

Next steps



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