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**PRESS RELEASE**

**IVR Workshop CLNI 2012 at the premises of the Danube Commission**

*(20<sup>th</sup> of October 2016)*

On the 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2016, the Secretariat of the Danube Commission (DC) co-hosted with the IVR a workshop "CLNI 2012 - Convention on the Limitation of Liability in Inland Navigation" at the Secretariat's premises in Budapest. The workshop was attended by the representatives of the DC Member States, its Secretariat, the IVR and other relevant stakeholders, including shipping companies.

The Workshop was intended to present the Convention and to discuss with the responsible representatives of the DC Member States the ratification of the Convention.

The IVR calls upon the Danubian countries to ratify the CLNI 2012 Convention in the interest of the inland navigation and insurance industry. It would be in line with the earlier ratification of the Budapest Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterway (CMNI) and contribute to further legal harmonisation and unification and certainty in that field.



*About CLNI:* The Final Act accepting the Strasbourg Convention 2012 on the Limitation of Liability in Inland Navigation (CLNI 2012) was signed on 27 September 2012. The amended Convention was adopted after several years of deliberation and extends the scope of application of the CLNI Convention then in force, which had previously been confined to the Rhine and Moselle. The Convention will come into force once it had been ratified by 4 States and the existing Strasbourg Convention has been extinguished. Meanwhile, the Convention has been ratified by Luxemburg and Serbia. Belgium, Germany and the Netherlands are finalising the ratification process, meaning that the Convention will enter into force short termed.

All presentations of the meeting can be downloaded following this link:  
[http://www.danubecommission.org/index.php/en\\_US/prezentatsii---2](http://www.danubecommission.org/index.php/en_US/prezentatsii---2).