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### Workshop's 17

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2017 at the Danube Commission headquarters in Budapest was held the yearly workshop dedicated to the navigation companies and stakeholders of Danube's IWT, Workshop's 17.

This event was organized by the Danube Commission in order to strengthened the cooperation and the exchange of information between the DC and the industry and led to an open dialogue. In order to ensure a fruitful and interactive participation and discussions, the Workshop 17 has been attended by all the interested representatives of the member states, the navigation industry and relevant stakeholders.

Agenda of the event has been comprehensive one, and included the information regarding new activities, on – going projects, co-financed by the programs of the European Union. Respectively, the participants have been greeted by the President of Danube Commission, Mr. Rade DROBAC, by the Director - General of the DC Secretariat, Mr. Petar MARGIC, by the representative of the European Commission (DG MOVE), Mr. Bernardo URRUTIA etc... Many presentations have been made by the participants, regarding FAST DANUBE and SWIM project, Danube STREAM project, Good Navigation Status, MTEET project, DAPhNE project, GREEN DANUBE project and DANTE project.

The DC intends to create a strong and open dialogue with all the stakeholders of this sector. The expertise, the experience and contribution of the involved actors will have a vital role for the quality of decisions of the Danube Commission, decisions with impact on the prosperity of the Danube's navigation, decisions with impact on rules and regulations.

Maintenance works and improvements of the waterway's infrastructure, fleet modernization and reduction of emissions, developments of ports and connections to the hinterland and crew and education are topics with highest priority for the DC.