

## Press Release

### **The second training seminar in the frame of the project of METEET conducted in Belgrade, Serbia.**

The Danube Commission (DC) conducted upon invitation of the National Ministry for Transport, Directorate for Inland Waterways (PLOVPUT) in common with the EU-Commission and the ICPDR held on 07th.-08<sup>th</sup> of June 2018 in Belgrade, the second METEET training mission.



Representatives from governmental and non-governmental institutions of Serbia: MCTI-Directorate for Inland waterways, Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Ministry of Finance, Museum for Science and Technology, Institute of Architecture and Urban and Spatial Planning, BirdLife Serbia, Port Governance Agency, Public Water Management Company Vode Vojvodina, WWF Adria and the Faculty of Maritime Academic Studies Belgrade were informed during two days on existing legislation both in the field of inland waterway transport and environmental issues. The workshop was attended by 32 participants.



Background information:

*Based on a proposal of the three Directorate Generals of the European Commission – Environment (DG-ENV), Regional and Urban Policy (DG-REGIO) and Mobility and Transport (DG-MOVE) – a Mixed Environment Transport External Expert Team (METEET) on Integrated Planning of Inland Waterways Transport (IWT) Projects was set up.*

*METEET was designated to assist competent inland waterway transport authorities on a voluntary basis with the objective to foster an integrated approach when developing infrastructural projects in the field of inland navigation.*

Two experts from the field of waterway transport and environment had been selected to provide a training course and advice to competent authorities in developing sustainable strategies, plans and projects in the field of inland navigation on the Danube.

The commonly prepared training program was arranged to train the audience regarding the implementation of relevant EU and international inland navigation requirements in the Danube River Basin, when planning an integrated IWT -project.

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