

EUSDR EMBEDDING WEEK

Possible Modes of Cooperation on EUSDR Embedding and Programmes' Implementation

When?

11th – 15th July 2022, every day at 10:00 – 12:00 CEST

How?

5 thematic Workshops bringing together the EUSDR and the funding programmes / MAs

Why?

The preparation process of post-2020 programming offers a unique opportunity to all EU funds allocated to Cohesion Policy and others such as IPA and NDICI (former ENI) to address common territorial challenges in macro-regional strategies (MRS) more strategically. It opens up opportunities for the EUSDR to achieve its objectives in a more targeted and coordinated manner and, at the same time, increases the impact of the relevant programmes through closer coordination and cooperation among the Strategy and the programmes. Embedding thus enables beneficiaries of EU funds, such as the EUSDR key stakeholders to better understand the interconnection and interdependence between projects, processes, policies and objectives, and to follow-up on their contribution to the strategic objectives of the MRS and their implementation. **Previous experiences also show that a continuous and targeted dialogue between authorities responsible for the programming process and key implementers of MRS is highly effective in making the most use of EU funding sources on one hand and on the other hand to provide room for cooperation for programmes and the MRS.**

The EUSDR can thus facilitate **broader coordination mechanism** between different (national and regional) managing/programming authorities by providing the impetus for engagement and facilitating the exchange of ideas and experiences. The EUSDR provides a strategic framework for aligning funding across different funding sources and creating synergies between various macro-regional stakeholders¹.

The **Consolidated Overview of Embedding Surveys²** of EUSDR managing/programming authorities (ERDF/CF & IPA/NDICI) the National Coordinators (NCs) provides the **5 matchmakings** identified as regards the mainstream/national and Interreg priorities and the EUSDR shortlisted strategic topics (basic numerical count of the coverage of EUSDR shortlisted strategic topics in the national/Interreg programme context).

¹ E.g. the Guidance Paper for Embedding the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) into EU Programmes FROM ACTIONS TO FUNDING, https://danube-region.eu/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Guidance-Paper_EUSDR-embedding-process_05.2022_final_clean_updated.pdf

² Consolidated Overview of Embedding Surveys of EUSDR MAs/Programming Authorities (ERDF/CF & IPA/NDICI) and National Coordinators, https://danube-region.eu/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/EUSDR-embedding_Priorities-and-EUSDR_website_v5-1.xlsx

What?

Following the recommendations of the Guidance Paper for Embedding the EUSDR into EU Programmes FROM ACTIONS TO FUNDING, the EUSDR Presidency together with the Danube Strategy Point organise the EUSDR Embedding Week (11-15 July 2022) comprising of **five thematic meetings/workshops to look for concrete use of the embedding tools/activities to be implemented.**

POs / EUSDR (click for details)		Specific Topics	SOs	Date & Time
A smarter Danube Region		#Inclusive European Research Area #Bridging innovation gaps through capacity building #Promoting research excellence #Smart Specialisation Strategies #Research and innovation as crisis response	SO 1.1	July 11 th 10:00-12:00 CEST
A more competitive Danube Region		#Cluster development #Female entrepreneurship	SO 1.3	July 12 th 10:00-12:00 CEST
A more energy efficient Danube Region		#Energy efficiency #Decarbonisation of heating & cooling systems	SO 2.1	July 13 th 10:00-12:00 CEST
A more resilient Danube Region		#Climate change adaptation #Flood and Disaster Management	SO 2.4	July 14 th 10:00-12:00 CEST
A greener Danube Region		#Traffic stakeholders/plane routes #Endangered umbrella species #Green infrastructure #Soil-related ecosystem services	SO 2.7	July 15 th 10:00-12:00 CEST

Who?

- EUSDR National Coordinators as national experts and point of interest
- EUSDR Priority Area Coordinators as Danube Region wide thematic experts
- Managing and programming authorities as representatives of funding institutions
- Centrally managed programmes as EU wide funding sources
- TRIO Presidency as the Embedding driver on behalf of EUSDR
- European Commission as strategic adviser
- Danube Strategy Point as facilitator

Where?

All events take place online via zoom. The links for the individual workshop can be found below under each workshop section.

Registration for all speakers and participants: <https://danube-region.eu/danube-events/eusdr-embedding-week/>. There is no 1 participant for 1 workshop rule, participation at all 5 workshops is possible for all interested parties.

**A smarter Danube Region
(11th July, 10.00-12.00 CEST, online)**

A **smarter**
Danube Region



Inclusive European Research Area
Bridging innovation gaps through capacity building
Promoting research excellence
Smart Specialisation Strategies
Research and innovation as crisis response

SO 1.1

To promote inclusiveness of the European Research Area and crossing innovation gap through capacity building, promoting research excellence and supporting collaboration in EU R&I programmes

Stimulating the effective preparation and implementation of national and regional Smart Specialisation Strategies (S3)

To respond to emerging challenges in the Danube Region (e.g. COVID -19 crisis and its negative consequences) through research, innovation and strengthening knowledge society

Opening remarks:

- European Commission, DG REGIO, Sofia ALVES
- Ukrainian EUSDR Presidency, Ihor KORKHOVYI

Key note speakers:

- European Commission, DG Joint Research Centre, Miroslav VESKOVIĆ
- Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, Edmund ŠKORVAGA
- TESIM, Albert SORROSAL
- EUSDR Governance: EUSDR Priority Area 7 Knowledge Society, Viktor NEDOVIĆ

Discussion:

- Reflexion and open discussion on possible Modes of Cooperation

Moderation: Danube Strategy Point, Robert LICHTNER

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85374948533>

Meeting ID: 853 7494 8533

A MORE COMPETITIVE DANUBE REGION (12th July, 10.00-12.00 CEST, online)

A more
competitive
Danube Region



Cluster development
Female entrepreneurship

SO 1.3

Further development of the clusters, clusters and regional development

Female entrepreneurship

Opening remarks:

- European Commission, DG REGIO, Johan MAGNUSSON
- Ukrainian EUSDR Presidency, Ihor KORKHOVYI

Key note speakers:

- Economic Development and Innovation OP Plus, Hungary, Emese LOSONCZI-BALOGH and Katalin BARNA
- TESIM, Tetiana PAIENTKO
- EUSDR Governance: Priority Area 8 Competitiveness of Enterprises, Judit SCHRICK-SZENCZI and Gerd MEIER ZU KÖCKER

Discussion:

- Reflexion and open discussion on possible Modes of Cooperation

Moderation: Danube Strategy Point, Robert LICHTNER

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89403882238>

Meeting ID: 894 0388 2238

A MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT DANUBE REGION (13th July, 10.00-12.00 CEST, online)

A more **energy efficient**
Danube Region



Energy efficiency
Decarbonisation of heating & cooling systems

SO 2.1

Increase energy efficiency and promote the decarbonisation of the heating and cooling sector

Opening remarks:

- European Commission, DG REGIO, Johan MAGNUSSON
- Ukrainian EUSDR Presidency, Ihor KORKHOVYI

Key note speakers:

- European Commission, DG ENER, Silvia REZESSY
- Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA), Rastislav MILOŠOVIČ
- Showcase of Hungarian National Programmes, Alexandra Dóra ARANY
 - Environment and Energy Efficiency OP Plus
 - Territorial and Settlement Development OP Plus
 - Economic Development and Innovation OP Plus
- TESIM, Albert SORROSAL
- EUSDR Governance: EUSDR Priority Area 2 Sustainable Energy, Annamária NÁDOR

Discussion:

- Reflexion and open discussion on possible Modes of Cooperation

Moderation: Danube Strategy Point, Robert LICHTNER

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84409504575>

Meeting ID: 844 0950 4575

A MORE RESILIENT DANUBE REGION (14th July, 10.00-12.00 CEST, online)

A more **resilient**
Danube Region



Climate change adaptation
Flood and Disaster Management

SO 2.4

Climate change

Supporting the implementation of the Danube Flood Risk Management Plan and sub-basin flood risk management plans in 2021-2027

Disaster management

Climate change adaption

Opening remarks:

- European Commission, DG REGIO, Johan MAGNUSSON
- Ukrainian EUSDR Presidency, Ihor KORKHOVYI

Key note speakers:

- Interreg VI A Romania-Bulgaria CBC Programme, Marcela GLODEANU
- TESIM, Tetiana PAIENTKO
- Project related to the EUSDR Priority Area 5 Environmental Risks, Sorin RINDASU

Discussion:

- Reflexion and open discussion on possible Modes of Cooperation

Moderation: Danube Strategy Point, Robert LICHTNER

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83638840172>

Meeting ID: 836 3884 0172

A GREENER DANUBE REGION (15 th July, 10.00-12.00 CEST, online)			
A greener Danube Region		# Traffic stakeholders/plane routes # Endangered umbrella species # Green infrastructure # Soil-related ecosystem services	SO 2.7
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<i>Endangered umbrella species</i>			
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Opening remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• European Commission, DG REGIO, Johan MAGNUSSON• Ukrainian EUSDR Presidency, Ihor KORKHOVYI			
Key note speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• European Commission, DG ENV, Andrea BIANCHINI• Managing Authority for the ERDF, the ESF and the CF, Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy, Slovenia, Matjaž DRAGAR• Interreg VI A Romania-Hungary, Adriana IVANCEA• TESIM, Tetiana PAIENTKO• EUSDR Governance: EUSDR Priority Area 6 Biodiversity, Landscapes and Air & Soil Quality, Florian BALLNUS and Ana KOBAŠLIĆ			
Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reflexion and open discussion on possible Modes of Cooperation			
Moderation: Danube Strategy Point, Katharina LENZ			
Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88299955216 Meeting ID: 882 9995 5216			