

Interreg Programme

Danube Region



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**“From a region of barriers to a
region of flows”**

Danube Region Programme 2021-2027

EUSDR EMBEDDING WEEK - A Smarter Danube Region

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Programme area





What is financed?

DRP supports **joint cooperation projects** which:

- **Develop institutional capacity**, ensuring **knowledge sharing / transfer**
- Support the development of a **common framework for policy implementation** in various fields
- Support **policy harmonisation** in various fields
- Develop **innovative solutions to common problems**
- **What is NOT supported**
 - Pre-dominant focus on infrastructure
 - Pre-dominant focus on research and data collection without translating into applied solutions /policy strategies, plans
 - Pre-dominant focus on technical solution without uptake by target users



Transnational cooperation

transnational dimension:

- **project topic, addressed challenge and contributing project activities** have transnational, **broader territorial and/or thematic character and relevance**

transnational impact:

- based on the planned **activities and outputs** the **impact of the project** can be considered **relevant on transnational scale** and not only on local level in different parts of the region

A collection of different local actions of PPs under one „umbrella“ is not yet transnational



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Programme

2021-2027

Priorities and Specific Objectives

A smarter Danube Region

Enhancing
innovation
and technology transfer

Developing
skills for smart specialisation,
industrial transition
and entrepreneurship

A greener, low-carbon Danube Region

Promoting
renewable energy

Promoting
climate change adaptation
and disaster management

Improving
water and sediment quality

Protecting and preserving
the biodiversity in ecological
corridors and eco-regions

A more social Danube Region

Accessible,
inclusive and effective
labour markets

Accessible
and inclusive
quality services in education,
training and lifelong learning

Socio-economic development
through heritage, culture and
tourism

A better cooperation governance in the Danube Region

Increased institutional
capacities for territorial and
macro-regional governance

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Specific objective 1.1

Developing and enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies

Specific objective 1.2

Developing skills for smart specialisation, industrial transition and entrepreneurship

DRP Project Officer: **Katalin Kovács-Kasza**

Priority 1

A smarter Danube Region





SO 1.1 Enhancing innovation and technology transfer in Danube region

Focus 1. RDI related transnational policies and processes for closing innovation gaps and towards the uptake of innovation and advanced technologies e.g. artificial intelligence, nanotechnologies, advanced materials, advanced manufacturing and processing (production technologies) and biotechnology.

Focus 2. Transnational RDI related activities for capacity building along thematic value chains.

Focus 3. Technology transfer and technology uptake towards and from SMEs and improved access to quadruple transnational research and innovation infrastructures with macro-regional significance.

Focus 4. Circular economy policies and processes in specific related domains e.g. electronics and ICT batteries and vehicles, packaging, plastics, textiles, construction and buildings, food and nutrients.

Focus 5. Developing smart, sustainable and green transport technologies and networks, as well as e-mobility solutions.

Focus 6. Integration of smart cities and smart regions solutions in the planning, management and development of DR regions and cities.



SO 1.2 Development of skills for advancing smart specialisation strategies, industrial transformation and transition towards industry 4.0, including cross-sectorial collaborations

Focus 1. Skills development for and of joint advancement of smart specialisation strategies and policies including a special focus on less advanced regions

Focus 2. Skills development and cross sectorial collaborations between smart industries and traditional type of industries for industrial transformation and transition towards industry 4.0, robotisation, mechatronics, digital technologies (including internet of things, artificial intelligence and creative industries)

Focus 3. Skills development for delivering products and services with transnational impact



Specific objective 2.1

Promoting renewable energy in accordance with directive (EU) 2018/2001, including the sustainable criteria set out therein

DRP Project Officer: **Horst Schindler**

Specific objective 2.2

Promoting climate change adaptation capacities in the Danube Region and disaster management on transnational level in relation to environmental risks, taking into account ecosystem-based approaches

DRP Project Officer: **Gusztáv Csomor**

Priority 2

A greener, low carbon Europe





SO 2.2 Promoting climate change adaptation capacities in the Danube Region and disaster management on transnational level in relation to environmental risks taking into account ecosystem-based approaches

Focus 1: Harmonised capacities and data availability in DR scale CC forecasting and vulnerability assessment to support policy making and awareness raising

Focus 2: Coordinated disaster prevention, preparedness and response activities on environmental risks, on floods, droughts, or accidental pollution of rivers on transnational river(-basin) scale and CC related other disasters (wildfires, heat waves)

Focus 3: Strengthen preparedness and adaptive capacity of society (including also disaster management organisations, volunteer rescue teams), economy and nature to cope with impacts of CC and establish climate services to foster resilience

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Specific objective 2.3

Sustainable, integrated, transnational water and sediment management in the Danube River Basin ensuring good quality and quantity of waters and sediment balance

Specific objective 2.4

Protecting and preserving the biodiversity in ecological corridors and eco-regions of transnational relevance in the Danube Region

DRP Project Officer: **Gusztáv Csomor**

Priority 2

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SO 2.3 Sustainable, integrated, transnational water and sediment management in the Danube River Basin ensuring good quality and quantity of waters and sediment balance

Focus 1: Capacities for prevention and mitigation of water pollution or for restoration of good quality of transnational water bodies

Focus 2: Harmonising management practises between water management and other key sectors to improve quality and quantity of water and sediment in transnational river systems, taking into consideration potential impacts of CC

Focus 3: Transnational coordination of water supply management, especially in relation to basin-wide importance of groundwater bodies

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Specific objective 3.1

Accessible, inclusive and effective labour markets

Specific objective 3.2

Accessible and inclusive quality services in education, training and lifelong learning

DRP Project Officer: **Stephen Halligan**

Specific objective 3.3

Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation

DRP Project Officer: **Natalia Liholot**

Priority 3

A more social Danube Region



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Specific objective 4.2

Increased institutional capacities for territorial and macro-regional governance

DRP Project Officer: **Johannes Gabriel**

Priority 4

A better
cooperation
governance in
the Danube
Region





Priority & SOs budget allocations

Priority	Specific Objective	Interreg funds allocation
1	1.1	18,745,255.50
	1.2	18,745,255.50
	TOTAL	37,490,511.00
2	2.1	17,389,677.14
	2.2	20,048,543.58
	2.3	15,262,583.99
	2.4	16,360,661.30
	TOTAL	69,061,466.00
3	3.1	15,390,841.20
	3.2	15,390,841.20
	3.3	20,521,121.60
	TOTAL	51,302,804.00
4	4.1	27,452,677.74
	EUSDR	13,810,929.26
	TOTAL	41,263,607.00
GRAND TOTAL		199,118,388.00

Maximum EU contribution 80%

Usual project budget size:
1-3M EUR

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DRP 2nd Call for Proposals

Planned launch of 2nd Call:

September 2023

Planned submission deadline :

January 2024

Estimated project start:

Beginning of 2025

Project duration:

36 months



- **DRP INTERREG Programme** – website

www.interreg-danube.eu/dtp-archive/about-dtp/new-funding-2021-2027

- Network of **National Contact Points**
- **MA/JS**