

JOINT STEERING GROUP MEETING

PRIORITY AREA 7 AND 8 OF THE EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION (PA7 AND PA8 EUSDR)

AGENDA

DATE: MONDAY, JULY 8TH, 2024 – 11:00 A.M. TO 01:00 P.M.

WHERE: IHK ULM – HAUS DER WIRTSCHAFT
OLGASTRAßE 95 – 101, 89073 ULM, GERMANY
SIEGFRIED WEISHAUPT HALL (7TH FLOOR)

11:00 am	<p>1 .Opening of the Meeting Carmen Hawkins, Coordinator of PA8 of the EUSDR- Ministry of Economic Affairs, Labour and Tourism Baden-Württemberg Nirvana Kapitan Butković, Coordinator of PA8 of the EUSDR - Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, Croatia Lubica Pitlova, Coordinator of PA7 of the EUSDR - Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport, Slovakia Viktor Nedović, Coordinator of PA7 of the EUSDR - University of Belgrade, Serbia</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10 min</p>
11:10 am	<p>2. Welcome and Information by DG Regio Karolina Jasinska-Mühleck, Policy Coordinator – Programme Manager European Commission Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy (DG REGIO)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10 min</p>
11:20 am	<p>3. Short presentation of the PA8 Action Plan and activities, Carmen Hawkins and Nirvana Kapitan Butković</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10 min</p> <p>A short presentation of the PA7 Action Plan and activities, including proposal for joint PA7/PA8 actions Lubica Pitlova and Viktor Nedović</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10 min</p>
11:40 am	<p>4. Updates of PA7 activities since the last SG meeting including WG activities Jaroslava Szudi and Dijana Štrbac</p> <p style="text-align: right;">15 minutes including discussion and contributions</p>
11:55 am	<p>5. Updates of PA8 activities since the last SG meeting including WG activities Carmen Hawkins and Nirvana Kapitan Butković</p> <p style="text-align: right;">15 minutes including discussion and contributions</p>

12:10 pm	<p>6. Information on new PA 7 and PA 8 flagship projects candidates</p> <p>HARMONMISSION (PA7)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Harmonize the implementation of the European missions on the Danube region level (tbc) Ondrej Zachar, <i>Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technological Information, Slovakia (tbc)</i> (5 min) <p>DECIDE (PA8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Providing methods and tools for developing Circular Economy Business Models Claus Hoffmann, <i>Center for Digitalisation Region Stuttgart, Böblingen, Germany</i> (5 min) <p>PLAN C (PA8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moving Plastics and Machine Industry towards Circularity Moving Plastics and Machine Industry towards Circularity Eva Breuer, <i>Business Upper Austria – OÖ Wirtschaftsagentur GmbH, Linz, Austria</i> (5 min) <p>WE.Circular (PA8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Boosting digital and industrial capacity for sustainable circular transition of women entrepreneurs Ralitsa Zhekova, <i>Regional Agency for Entrepreneurship and Innovations, Varna, Bulgaria</i> (5 min)
12:30 pm	<p>7. Presentation on the Activities of Danube Strategy Point Cristina Cuc, <i>Pillar Officer, Danube Strategy Point</i></p> <p>5 min</p>
12:35 pm	<p>8. Information on activities of Youth Council Members</p> <p>Ratin Sazedul (BW), Pejo Bosnic (BiH), Bence Bíró (HU), Philip Tudor (A), and possibly further DYC members</p> <p>10 min</p>
12:45 pm	<p>9. Closing words Dr. Patrick Rapp, <i>State Secretary, Ministry of Economy, Labour and Tourism Baden-Württemberg</i></p> <p>15 min including photos</p>
01:00 pm	<p>End of Steering Group Meeting</p>
01:00 pm	<p>Networking Lunch on invitation of EUSDR PA 8 <i>Foyer of Ludwig Erhardt hall, 1st floor</i></p>
02:00 pm	<p>Participation at Event “The Danube Region at the turn of times - Economic Cooperation and Hydrogen Supply Chains along the Danube” <i>Ludwig Erhardt hall, 1st floor</i> Registration necessary via https://events.ulm.ihk24.de/danubeconference2024</p>

Notice: A photographer will be present for some time at the meeting.

In the time from **10:30 to 11:00 am** we plan to take **photos** (family photos PA 7, PA 8, PA 7 + PA 8, ...).

Steering Group Members of PA 7 and PA 8, Working Group Coordinators, Members of Working Groups, Members of Youth Council, Representatives of DG Regio and DSP, observers and guests are invited on behalf of EUSDR PA 8 to a **Networking Reception at 5 p.m. at Edwin Scharff Haus**, Silcherstraße 40, 89231 Neu-Ulm.