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INTERNAL NEWSLETTER

New programme, new ways of communication

A good internal communication among all the actors involved in the Danube Transnational Programme is essential for the success of the programme.

This is the main aim of the Internal Newsletter whose first issue we are glad to publish today.

All managing bodies of the programme need to be constantly informed about the developments in the DTP, tackling all its sides since communication to programming or the links with the EUSDR.

This Internal Newsletter would like to be a complement to the information provided by the MA/JS during the Monitoring Committees and via email, and it will be published periodically when several *news* need to be communicated.

We hope you will enjoy your reading.

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COMMUNICATION

Registration for the Kick-off event launched

From 29 July, the online registration for the DTP Kick-off event has been open through the event website:

www.dtpevent.eu, and

www.dtpevent.eu, and invitations have started to be sent.

The event will take place in Budapest on 23 and 24 September 2015. More than 500 participants are expected.

The agenda includes general presentations about the programme and the first call for proposals, as well as a panel discussion with the participation as speakers of some countries and EUSDR representatives.

Eight workshops focused on different specific objectives will be organised during the second day of the event.

All the information regarding the Kick-off event is available in the above-mentioned website.

We invite all programme management bodies to disseminate this information among their contacts at national level.



DTP in social media

The Danube
Transnational
Programme is already
present in the main
social media platforms
with its own profile or
channel (please
follow/like them):

- Facebook
- <u>Twitter</u>
- <u>Linkedin</u> (with already more than

200 connections) - Youtube

These platforms have been used since June to communicate all the developments in the preparation of the programme and they will continue being used during the whole programming period as more attractive

tools to reach our target groups in a more informal way.

On the other hand, the programme website is being developed and it will be public before the kick-off event. The domain pre-registered is: www.interreg-danube.eu (not to be publically communicated yet).

PROGRAMMING

Cooperation Programme: last steps

The
Cooperation
Programme
will be adopted
soon

The JS is happy to inform you that no other correction rounds were necessary for finalising the adoption process of the Cooperation Programme.

With the support of DG Regio and with few exchange of content information, the process is now in its final stage.

The foreseen official adoption is expected before the end of August 2015.

In this way, the schedule planned in the last Programming

Committee held in Bratislava for the launch of the first call for proposals can be kept.

DTP Monitoring system

The Prime Minister's
Office informed the
Danube Transnational
Programme Managing
Authority that the
process for the launch of
the tender for the IMIS

development already started.

In a few days, after the needed administrative procedures are completed, the tender is

expected to be officially published in the official gazette. The process of publication has already started by the Prime Minister's Office.



CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

DTP Applicants Manual

The preparation of the Applicants Manual has entered the last 100 meters with the fine tunning of the document.

It has been a challenging process to build up a comprehensive document that has to guide the potential Applicants in submitting

successful project proposals.

The document contains, appart from the standard chapters on eligibility rules, a complete guide with examples on how to develop a successful project for the Danube Transnational

Programme.

Furthermore the document offers as well a first glance on the main implementation rules in order to prepare the Applicants for immediate start of the projects upon approval by the MC.

DTP Expression of Interest

The JS is happy to inform you that the company who will prepare the Expression of Interest for the first call in PDF workable document has been selected.

Formatix GmbH from

Germany, is a certified expert LifeCycle Form Developer with extensive experience in the field.

One of their last fruitful experiences being with Interreg Baltic Sea

programme. They developed for this transnational programme the Concept Note for the first call for proposals.

Continuous support to project applicants is being given by the JS

Project generation

The project generation is at full speed: the JS Project Officers are in constant contact with the potential applicants and requests for consulation at the JS premises are increasing.

Based on the requests so far, the JS is expecting a high number of qualitative and innovative project proposals to be submitted.

One of the preferred priorities is, like also in the past, Priority 2 – Environment and Culture responsible Danube Region.



RECRUITMENT

JS has a new Project Officer for Priority 2

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The Recruitment
Committee of the DTP
met on July 7th to
interview and select the
candidate for the
position of Project
Officer in charge of
Priority 2.

We are happy to inform

you that Mr Gusztav Csomor has been selected and will take its post from September 1st 2015.

As Gusztav had been previously selected as Financial Manager, the Recruitment Committee, based on a previous decision, decided to offer this vacant position to the person in the reserve list, Ms Brigitta Roman, who showed her availability to take the post from October 1st 2015.

EUSDR

Fostering DTP-EUSDR governance

On 24-25 June the JS participated in the "Meeting of the EUSDR National Coordinators and Priority Area Coordinators" organised by Baden-Württemberg. This "floating conference" has been the first institutional event of the EUSDR where the DTP JS took part as official observer, after the decision of the DTP PC to institutionalise and exchange the observer status of the DTP inside the EUSDR.

The exchange of experiences with the Baltic Sea Programme is ongoing; in several consultation rounds general governance issues as well as technical details have been discussed. Representatives of the Baltic Sea Programme have been invited to the DTP kick-off conference. which might offer further opportunities for direct consultations.

Finally, t between DTP and thematic links

EUSDR have been strengthened through the JS participation in the 7th PA 11 SG meeting on 2 July in Berlin.

Based on the information gained during the last weeks, both a framing DTP-EUSDR governance model as well as scenarios regarding the implementation of the single 4.2 support measures will be further elaborated to be discussed at PC level in autumn 2015.