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A stream of cooperation



- Same geographical coverage
- Policy framework vs. funding instrument
- EUSDR is one of the strategic frameworks of the DTP
- DTP is one of the financing instruments of the EUSDR
- All DTP SOs contribute to the EUSDR PAs / Action Plan
- Not all EUSDR PA can be supported by DTP



What is supported

- Addressing challenges & needs relevant on transnational scale
- Strengthen cooperation of key stakeholders to:
 - improve policies and institutional capacities
 - harmonising management processes
 - elaborating and pilot testing joint solutions
- Territorially integrated, cross-sectorial approaches

What is **NOT** supported

- Pre-dominant focus on infrastructure
- Pre-dominant focus on research and data collection without translation to applied solutions /policy strategies, plans
- Pre-dominant focus on technical solutions without uptake by target users

Priority objectives and specific objectives of DTP 2021-2027

INTERREG DANUBE
Priorities and Specific Objectives
2021 - 2027



PRIORITY 1:
A smarter Danube Region



PRIORITY 2:
A greener, low-carbon
Danube Region



PRIORITY 3:
A more social
Danube Region



PRIORITY 4:
A better cooperation governance
in the Danube Region





PRIORITY 1:

A smarter Danube Region

Through innovation, digitisation, economic transformation and support to small and medium-sized businesses.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

1. 1. Enhancing innovation and technology transfer in Danube region.
1. 2. Development of skills for advancing smart specialisation strategies, industrial transformation and transition towards industry 4.0, including cross-sectoral collaborations.

SO 1.1 Enhancing innovation and technology transfer in Danube Region

Focus 1. RDI related transnational policies and processes for closing innovation gaps and the uptake of innovation and advanced technologies

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

Focus 3. Technology transfer and technology uptake for SMEs & access to quadruple transnational research and innovation infrastructures

Focus 4. Circular economy policies and processes in specific related domains

Focus 5. Developing smart, sustainable and green transport technologies and networks & 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

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



PRIORITY 2:

A greener, low-carbon Danube Region

Implementing the Paris Agreement and investing in energy transition, renewables and the fight against climate change.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

2. 1. Support greening the energy and transport sectors in the Danube Region by enhancing the integration of renewable energy sources.
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).
2. 3. Sustainable, integrated, transnational water and sediment management in the Danube River Basin ensuring good quality and quantity of waters and sediment balance.
2. 4. Protecting and preserving the biodiversity in ecological corridors and eco-regions of transnational relevance in the Danube Region.



SO 2.1 Support greening the energy and transport sectors in the Danube Region by enhancing the integration of renewable energy sources

Focus 1: Increasing the share of renewable energy in the Danube Region

Focus 2: Decreasing carbon intensity in the power and transport sectors

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: Harmonized 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

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

SO 2.4 Protecting and preserving the biodiversity in ecological corridors and eco-regions of transnational relevance in the Danube Region

Focus 1: Improvement of ecological connectivity between habitats, nature protection areas along transnationally relevant ecological corridors of DR and for transnational conservation and restoration measures for endangered umbrella species

Focus 2: Creation and strengthening of networks of cooperation in relation to the ecological regions and among protected areas

Focus 3: Coordinated measures within transnationally relevant ecological regions ensuring resilience and adaptation to CC to reduce its impacts on biodiversity



PRIORITY 3:

A more social Danube Region

Delivering on the European Pillar of Social Rights and supporting quality employment, education, skills, social inclusion and equal access to healthcare.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

3. 1. Accessible, inclusive and effective labour markets.
3. 2. Accesible and inclusive quality services in education, training and lifelong learning.
3. 3. Socio-economic development through heritage, culture and tourism.



SO 3.1 Accessible, inclusive and effective labour markets

Focus 1: The integration of vulnerable groups into the labour market, with special attention on regions that display high proportions of disadvantaged

Focus 2: Retaining skilled labour and developing a more sustainable migration of educated people

Focus 3: Capacity building for employment support bodies (information and data systems; coordination; training e.g. in social economy)

SO 3.2 Accessible and inclusive quality services in education, training and lifelong learning

Focus 1: Developing innovative educational models, programs, practical tools and materials for disadvantaged learners, including early school leavers

Focus 2: Maximising the use of existing knowledge and experience to develop best practices in inclusive education policy and advancing education and policy reform

Focus 3: Innovative approaches to encourage and improve inclusive vocational education and training and life long learning

SO 3.3 Socio-economic development through heritage, culture and tourism

Focus 1: Valorisation of local cultural and natural heritage for the development of sustainable tourism products and tourism services in order to increase regional added value and employment

Focus 2: Improvement of accessibility of cultural and natural heritage for all, amongst others youth and vulnerable groups in order to promote social inclusion

Focus 3: Promoting community led natural and cultural heritage management and associated nature based and cultural tourism in rural areas and small cities



PRIORITY 4:

A better cooperation governance in the Danube Region

By supporting locally-led development strategies and sustainable urban development across the Danube region.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

4. 1. Increased institutional capacities for territorial and macro-regional governance.



SO 4.1 Increased institutional capacities for territorial and macro-regional governance

Focus 1: Transnational cooperation is needed to address major territorial governance-challenges like demographic change, severe urban-rural discrepancies or fostering the close-to-people character of regional policy

Programme budget not yet concluded

Fund	Budget
European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)	~ 170 Mio €
Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA)	t.b.c.
Neighborhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI)	t.b.c.
Total programme budget	t.b.c.



Co-financing rate:
80%



1st Call for Proposal

- 2-step procedure
- Launch of the first step: spring 2022
- Launch of 2nd step: not before late 2022
- Final approval not (much) before mid-2023

- DTP website: general information, CfP announcement, (draft-) INTERREG Programme, partner search
- DTP National Contact Points
- National events (e.g. national info days)
- DTP events (e.g. thematic seminars)
- DTP Project Officer (e.g. bilateral consultations)
- EUSDR PAC

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