# **RIS Week**

# Common Issues Meeting on how EU co-financed projects contribute to the deployment of River Information Services on the TEN-T network

# Agenda

# Common Issues Meeting

# Invitees

Representatives of the European Commission, UNECE, River Commissions, Member States, Members of the RIS Expert Groups, selected stakeholders

Date / Time

Wednesday, 22 November 2017

Common Issues Meeting 08:30 -17:00

**Meeting Venue** 

Hotel Devin

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https://www.hoteldevin.sk/en

Host of the meeting

Waterborne Transport Development Agency and the Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic

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#### 08:30 Registration and welcome coffee

#### 09:00 Welcome and Introduction (moderator)

#### 09:10 Opening Speeches: Strategic Developments

- Welcome note
  (Jozef Moravčík Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic) 10 minutes
- Update on European Policy developments and on the operations of supporting RIS systems (Luca Farkas, Konstantinos Rigas and Dariusz Sawasciuk - European Commission) – 30 minutes
- Questions & Answers 20 minutes

#### 10:10 Initiatives to deploy River Information Services in Slovakia

The European Union has been supporting the establishment of River Information Services in Europe. During this Common Issues Meeting, the (intermediate) results of various projects will be presented. Moreover, it will be discussed how the projects financed under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) and the Interreg Programme contribute to the realisation of the current and upcoming requirements related to RIS and the deployment of RIS services on the TEN-T network.

- Deployment of River Information Services in Slovakia (Štefan Chalupka - Transport Authority) - 20 minutes
- Questions & Answers 10 minutes

#### 10:40 Coffee break

# 11:10 Initiatives to deploy River Information Services in Hungary

The Connecting Europe Facility co-funds the enhancement of the Hungarian RIS operation. Within the project traffic management services, on-shore RIS services will be established and the quality of fairway information services will be improved. This session will present the intermediate results, focussing on the newly established/enhanced services, which provide added value to the fairway users.

- Enhance the Efficiency of Hungarian RIS Operation Introduction and state of play (Csaba Kovacs - RSOE) - 15 minutes
- Questions & Answers 10 minutes

#### 11:35 Harmonisation of administrative processes in the Danube Region

All measures to reduce waiting times at border crossings as well as the duration of controls are beneficial for the inland waterway industry. This session aims at introducing the current state of play and discussing possible next steps.

- Working group on "Administrative Processes" of the Priority Areas 1a and 11 of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region
  - (Simon Hartl viadonau) 15 minutes
- Contribution of DANTE, a project financed under the Danube Transnational Programme, to the improvement of administrative process in the Danube Region (Robert Rafael - Pro Danube International) – 10 minutes
- Contribution of RIS COMEX to the improvement of administrative processes on the Danube (Andreas Scherb viadonau) 10 minutes
- Questions & Answers 15 minutes

# 12:25 Conclusions morning session & preview afternoon program (moderator)

#### 12:30 Lunch

#### 14:00 Smart shipping – vision and building blocks

Inland AIS data is an important building block for smart shipping. The usability however depends on the correctness of the data; as a consequence the CCNR evaluated the use of the Inland AIS implementation on the Rhine.

In the Netherlands, a vision of smart shipping is currently under development. This reflects the needs of all stakeholders as well as the policy and technological developments (Digital Inland Waterway Area, big data, internet of things, autonomous driving, etc.).

- CCNR´s Evaluation of the Inland AIS obligation: The Results (Peter Stuurman chairman of the CCNR RIS working group) 20 minutes
- Vision on smart shipping (Henk van Laar Bureau Telematica Binnenvaart) 20 minutes
- Questions & Answers 20 minutes

#### 15:00 Coffee break

# 15:30 Discussion forum of the RIS Expert Groups: Common issues focussing on the RIS Index

The RIS Index includes objects of relevance for inland navigation. RIS services make use of the RIS Index. In this interactive session problems and open issues will be discussed including the maintenance, quality and completeness of the RIS Index.

- Session organised by the chairpersons of the RIS Expert Groups
  (Chairpersons of the RIS Expert Groups: Peter Stuurman Rijkswaterstaat, Wieland Haupt and
  Stefan Bober Federal Waterways & Shipping Administration, Christoph Plasil viadonau)
  50 minutes
- Questions & Answers 10 minutes

# 16:30 Technical developments and updates

- Intermediate results of PIANC InCom permanent Working Group 125 in charge of updating the RIS Guidelines 2011 (Cas Willems on behalf of Rijkswaterstaat) 10 minutes
- Update on the www.ris.eu service desk (Hrvoje Kotnik CRUP) 5 minutes
- Ouestions & Answers 10 minutes
- 16:55 **Closing words** (moderator)
- 17:00 End of Common Issues Meeting
- 19:00 Common Issues Dinner