

**Conscious** of the importance of the Sava river for the economic, social and cultural development of the region,

**Aware** of the importance of the protection of environment and natural resources,

**Desirous** of development of sustainable tourism in the Sava river basin and its Ramsar sites, buffer zones and tourism corridors in particular,

**Following** the commitment of the Parties to the Framework Agreement of the Sava River Basin (hereinafter: FASRB) - Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia and Slovenia (hereinafter: Parties), stated in Declarations from the Third (Brdo, May 31 – June 1, 2011) and the Fourth (Sarajevo, May, 31, 2013) Meeting of the Parties regarding the importance of development of the sustainable river tourism in the Sava River Basin,

**Considering** the Actions for more Sustainable Tourism issued by the EU Commission Tourism Sustainability Group and Agenda 21 of the UN Conference on Environment and Development,

**Taking into account** the conclusions of the Regional Workshop “Development of ecotourism in the context of transboundary cooperation” (Slavonski Brod, June 20-21, 2012 and the Regional Conference “Promotion of ecotourism development in the Sava River Basin” Ivanić Grad, December 13-14, 2012),

**Wishing** to increase cooperation of the Parties in the field of tourism and,

**In accordance** with Article 16 Paragraph 1 (d) of the FASRB and Article 4 Paragraph 1 (j) of the Statute of the International Sava River Basin Commission, the International Sava River Basin Commission (hereinafter: Sava Commission), on its 33<sup>th</sup> Session, held on October 9-10, 2013, has adopted the following

**RECOMMENDATION – 2/13**  
**related to**

**TRANSBOUNDARY ECOTOURISM GUIDELINES FOR THE SAVA RIVER BASIN**

The Sava Commission recommends the Parties to the Framework Agreement of the Sava River Basin — Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia and Slovenia, to take into account the **Transboundary Ecotourism Guidelines for the Sava River Basin** in their further activities in the field of the sustainable river tourism, particularly in the development of strategic documents and the implementation of related projects. The text of the Transboundary Ecotourism Guidelines for the Sava River Basin is attached to this Recommendation as its integral part.

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