

**Conscious** of the importance of effective cooperation in the Sava River Basin for the economic, social and cultural development of the region,

**Desirous** to contribute to development and implementation of the projects of high importance for sustainable development of the Sava River Basin,

Having regard to implementation of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region,

**Believing** that development and implementation of the priority projects of the International Sava River Basin Commission can contribute to achievement of goals of the *EU Strategy for the Danube Region*,

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

### **RECOMMENDATION – 3/13**

#### related to

## PROJECTS OF HIGH IMPORTANCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SAVA RIVER BASIN IN THE CONTEXT OF THE EUROPEAN UNION STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION

- 1. The Sava Commission recommends the Parties to the *Framework Agreement of the Sava River Basin* – Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia and Slovenia (hereinafter: Parties), to provide a continued support to development and implementation of the projects of high importance for sustainable development of the Sava River Basin, which were agreed upon by the Parties on regional level as the priority projects of the Sava Commission (hereinafter: *Priority projects*).
- 2. The Sava Commission recommends the Parties to include the Priority projects in their national programs, in order to strengthen possibilities of coordinated actions towards potential financial sources, especially the EU funds, taking into account the upcoming EU Multiannual Financial Framework 2014-2020.
- 3. For the purpose of establishing the conditions for implementation of as many regional projects as possible through the *EU Strategy for the Danube Region*, the Sava Commission recommends the Parties to include the Priority projects in the ongoing activities of the national coordinators for the *EU Strategy for the Danube Region*, as well as the representatives of the Parties in the respective priority areas of the *Strategy*.

4. The list of the Priority projects and an additional explanation of this Recommendation are given in the Annex "Implementation of Regional Projects in the EU 2014-2020 Financial Cycle as a Basis for Sustainable Development in the Sava River Basin", forming its integral part.

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## ANNEX: Implementation of Regional Projects in the EU 2014-2020 Financial Cycle as a Basis for Sustainable Development in the Sava River Basin - Rationale for the ISRBC Recommendation 3/13 -

#### **1. Introduction**

The International Sava River Basin Commission (ISRBC), established to coordinate the implementation of the *Framework Agreement on the Sava River Basin (FASRB)*, is the first development-oriented mechanism for cross-border cooperation in the Sava region, and the only sub-regional mechanism for cooperation in the Danube basin, in the water sector. The ISRBC has the widest scope of work among international basin organizations in Europe by dealing, simultaneously, with sustainability issues (protection of water and aquatic ecosystem, protection against detrimental effects of water due to floods, droughts, accidents causing water pollution) and development aspects (development activities related to the use of water – navigation, river tourism, etc.).

Regional projects of importance for the Sava river basin, the implementation of which should be fostered by this Recommendation, came as a result of years of effort of the Sava countries and the ISRBC in implementing the *FASRB*. However, at this point it is necessary to make an extra effort for their implementation, especially in a view of the opportunities offered by the implementation of the EU *Danube Strategy* and the target period 2014-2020.

#### 2. Contribution of the ISRBC to activities on national level

The article *ISRBC* – *Contribution to Sustainable Solutions for the Development of the Region* from January 2013 (Appendix 1) summarizes the benefits for the Parties to the *FASRB*, resulting from the ISRBC work. In addition to the results that the ISRBC made as coordinator of the countries' activities in the fields directly related to the main objectives of the *FASRB* (navigation, water management, hazard management) and other fields (e.g. river tourism), the significant contribution of the Commission is related to the preparation and implementation of regional projects in the Sava river basin, relevant from the standpoint of the *FASRB* implementation<sup>1</sup>. Direct contribution of the ISRBC is reflected in the preparation of project proposals, in securing funding from external sources, and (in some cases) the implementation of certain projects<sup>2</sup>. Out of the total budget for 30 projects implemented or commenced so far (Appendix 2), which amounts to 24 M€, 87% of the funds (or 20.8 M€) was provided from external sources, while the remaining 13% (3.2 M€) are the means of the Parties<sup>3</sup>.

#### 3. Planned regional projects of importance to the countries in the Sava river basin

Besides the above mentioned, the cooperation through the ISRBC provided the countries with the possibility to identify common priorities and vision, as well as a joint program for the sustainable development of the region. Priority regional projects, which are the key component of the joint program, are presented in Appendix  $3^4$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All projects under consideration by the ISRBC were agreed by consensus at the level of the four countries and aligned with EU directives and strategies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Indirect contribution of the ISRBC, related to the cases when the countries finance and/or implement projects originating from the activities coordinated by the ISRBC, is shown in Appendix 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Most of the funds, invested by the Parties, are contributions to the projects financed from EU funds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "A list" includes projects from the fields directly covered by the scope of work of the ISRBC and its expert groups, as well as national institutions responsible for the *FASRB* implementation. This link enables a good coordination of activities of the ISRBC and the countries' representatives, as was the case during the development and implementation of the *Danube Strategy*, when the joint efforts of the countries' representatives

The joint program fits into the *Danube Strategy* not only thematically but also conceptually, since it focuses on the use of existing mechanisms and resources (in accordance with the "3 NOs" principle of the *Danube Strategy*). Given that, the strategic goal of the ISRBC is to implement the program through the realization of as many priority regional projects as possible in the next financial cycle of the EU (2014 - 2020), particularly in the framework of the *Danube Strategy*. In order to achieve this goal, it is necessary:

- To additionally raise in the Parties the level of recognition of previous contributions and the use of the results achieved and the projects implemented through the ISRBC, as well as the degree of recognition of the benefits of the implementation of future, planned projects.
- To additionally align agreements / plans developed at the regional level, which have been achieved within the ISRBC, with the national priorities of the Parties.
- To ensure a quick and coordinated action of the Parties (and the ISRBC) toward potential sources of funding, with particular emphasis on EU funds.

In that sense, the ISRBC has begun implementation of a series of activities. Meetings were held with the national coordinators / contact persons from the Parties for the *Danube Strategy*. For the upcoming Conference "Ljubljana Forum 2013" (October 17-18, 2013), two presentations of the ISRBC on the priority regional projects are planned. One of the sessions of the event will be an ISRBC meeting on the projects and possibilities for their implementation, especially within the framework of the *Danube Strategy*. There is also a continuous communication with the international financial institutions and programs (GEF, the World Bank, UNECE, UNESCO, the USA government), and activities on the organization of a conference (early 2014) where proposals of priority projects will be presented to international financial institutions, have started.

#### 4. The aim of the Recommendation

By this Recommendation, the ISRBC addresses the governments of the Parties and their respective ministries, with the aim to contribute to effective and coordinated action of the countries and the ISRBC toward potential sources of funding, in order to increase the chance of getting funds for the implementation of as many regional projects, agreed within the framework of the ISRBC, as possible. In this regard, it is proposed that these projects should be included in national programs of the Parties. As a good operational model for future action toward sources of funding and coordination of the activities at national level, it is proposed that the projects should also be included in the activities of the national coordinators of the Parties for the *Danube Strategy*. Thus, the ISRBC could further assist the countries in their actions toward sources of funding, with the special emphasis on EU funds.

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and the ISRBC achieved that 11 projects of the ISRBC were included in the implementating documents of the *Danube Strategy* (Projects No. 3 - 13). "B list" includes projects from other fields that the countries recognized as useful for the *FASRB* implementation and expressed interest to realize these projects through mechanisms of the ISRBC, although these fields are not fully covered neither by the authorities responsible for the *FASRB* implementation, nor the expert groups of the ISRBC. Some projects from the "B list" were proposed by various stakeholders from non-governmental, academic and business sectors that approach the ISRBC with the ideas of regional projects, recognizing the Commission as the best place for their further elaboration and implementation.

## Appendix 1. "ISRBC – Contribution to Sustainable Solutions for the Development of the Region" (document from January 29, 2013)

This is the eighth year of work of the International Sava River Basin Commission (ISRBC) and its activities to coordinate the cooperation of the Sava countries for the implementation of the *Framework Agreement on the Sava River Basin (FASRB)*.

The *FASRB*, the first development-oriented international agreement concluded in the region after the *Dayton Peace Agreement* and *Agreement on Succession Issues*, integrates all aspects of water resources management – various types of water use, protection of water and aquatic ecosystem, and protection against detrimental effects of water (due to floods, droughts or accidents involving the water pollution). Although the establishment of an international navigation regime on the Sava river and its navigable tributaries, and sustainable management of water and hazards (floods, droughts and accidental water pollution) in the basin are the primary targets of the *FASRB*, this agreement, thanks to its integrated nature, also provides a good basis for the cooperation of the Parties in other water-related fields (e.g. river tourism), in order to achieve the strategic goal – to provide conditions for sustainable development of the region within the Sava basin. The ISRBC is, thus, the organization with the widest scope of work among international river or lake commissions in Europe.

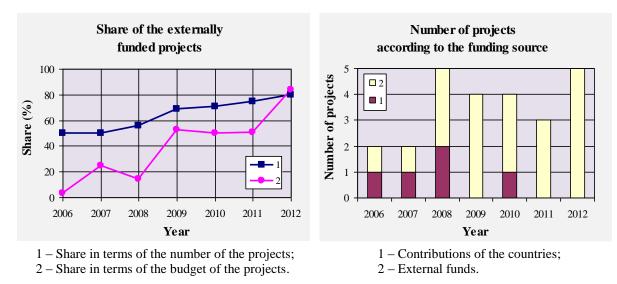
Although the integrated character of the *FASRB* makes the process of its implementation rather demanding in terms of human resources, good inter-sectoral communication and cooperation within each Party, as well as permanent joint efforts of the Parties, the existence and work of the ISRBC are characterized by a number of advantages contributing a significant added value from the viewpoint of the countries involved:

- Providing conditions for intensified contacts and an improved cooperation of the countries, implementation of joint, basin-wide projects, harmonization of national regulation, methodologies and procedures, as well as an enhanced cross-sectoral cooperation on national level;
- Integrated approach to the cooperation, considering the whole river basin, addressing sustainability and development aspects simultaneously, and tending to involve all societal sectors (governmental, non-governmental, academic and business) in the process;
- Efforts oriented toward sustainable solutions, by ensuring the public participation and stakeholder involvement (that is, a combination of "top-down" and "bottom-up" approaches);
- Alignment with relevant directives (e.g. *Water Framework Directive*, *Flood Directive*) and strategies (*Danube Strategy*, *Strategy EU* 2020) of the European Union;
- Higher level of detail and complementarity of results with those obtained on a regional, Danube basin scale;
- Pragmatism and practicality, as the countries are provided with concrete "products" (strategic plans, integrated systems, development programs, harmonized regulation).

The success of the Sava transboundary cooperation model is being increasingly recognized in other regions (other parts of South-Eastern Europe, Mediterannean region, European Union, Eastern Europe and Caucasus, Central Asia), as a case of good practice.

Although the project management is not a basic activity of the ISRBC, the existence and work of the ISRBC have also proven to be a successful way to implement a wide spectrum of regional projects in the water sector. The 10<sup>th</sup> issue of the *Sava NewsFlash* bulletin presents results of the analysis of the *FASRB*-related projects, where the ISRBC contribution was

provided through direct fund-raising, the project preparation and/or implementation, or coordination of the activities at the basin level which subsequently yielded new projects. The analysis covers the implemented and ongoing projects, as well as the projects for which the money has been ensured, and their implementation will start soon. According to the results, the amount of 12.55 million Euro has been ensured for implementation of the projects, 16% (2.06 million Euro) of which are contributions of the Parties, and the rest 84% (10.49 million Euro) have come from external sources. It is notable that the share of the externally funded projects has continuously increased in time. Out of 25 projects covered by the analysis, eight had the budget between 50 and 500 thousands Euro, and five projects had the budget above 500 thousands Euro.



The projects implemented so far have yielded considerable benefits for the Parties through a number of concrete outputs resulting from the following activities:

- Preparation of the *Sava River Basin Management Plan* in accordance with the EU *Water Framework Directive*, including the consideration of emerging issues such as climate change (through the development of the *Water and Climate Adaptation Plan for the Sava River Basin*), sediment management, etc.;
- Initial activities on the preparation of the *Flood Risk Management Plan for the Sava River Basin* in accordance with the EU *Flood Directive*, including the development of hydrological and hydraulic models of the Sava river basin, useful for various purposes related to management of water resources in the basin;
- Activities on the rehabilitation of the Sava river waterway (e.g. development of studies and design, restoration of the waterway marking system, establishment of river information services);
- Establishment of the geographic information system for the Sava river basin;
- Improvement of the exchange and use of meteorological and hydrological information and data in the Sava river basin;
- Initial activities on the development of sustainable river tourism in the Sava basin (nautical and eco-tourism);
- Establishment of a multi-stakeholder platform in the Sava river basin, in order to ensure active involvement of representatives of all societal sectors (governmental, non-governmental, academic and business) in the *FASRB* implementation process.

It is likely that the percentage of the externally funded projects will increase further in the future, given that 11 water management-related and 'other' priority projects of the ISRBC (all

having the budget higher than 1 million Euro) have been granted a label or letter of recommendation of the EU *Danube Strategy*, and that the ongoing projects in the field of navigation will be followed by the rehabilitation works on the Sava waterway, which are also expected to be granted a letter of recommendation of the EU *Danube Strategy*, and will lean toward the external financial sources, as will the other planned projects.

The ISRBC contribution to the implementation of the *FASRB*-related projects appears to be twofold. A direct contribution is reflected through fund-raising and/or project implementation by the ISRBC itself. An indirect contribution originates from the integrated approach of the Commission and its coordination of activities and projects at the transboundary level, both assisting the Parties to get external funding easier or, if a project is funded by a Party itself, to experience lower implementation costs than if the project was implemented with no cross-border coordination.

Despite the current crisis, good transboundary projects are still expected to find their way to potential donors. In this context, the agreements reached at the regional level, especially through the already recognized mechanisms of the ISRBC, along with the active and extensive involvement of the national institutions from the Parties, are believed to contribute significantly to the success of the project applications and the implementation processes.

Regardless of existing challenges in the *FASRB* implementation process, the work of the ISRBC brings significant benefits to the Parties and makes a continuous progress toward the achievement of the main objective – sustainable development of the region within the Sava river basin.

# Appendix 2. Overview of the implemented and ongoing projects related to the FASRB implementation

Project title		Duration	Status	Remark on the status / Implementation period	Lead partner(s) / Consultant	Budget (k€)	Funding source
River Basin Managemen	ıt						
Development of preparatory documentation for the "Joint Survey 2008"	Sava	3 months	Implemented	Jan 2008 – Apr 2008	Institute for Biological Research "Siniša Stan- ković", Belgrade, RS	4.7	ISRBC
Hydrology report for the Sav basin (Hydrology part of the River Basin Analysis Report	Sava	8 months	Implemented	Sep 2008 – May 2009	Dr. Stevan Prohaska, Belgrade, RS	8.9	ISRBC
Hydromorphology report for the Sava River Basin Analysis Report		7 months	Implemented	Nov 2008 – May 2009	Institut for Water Re- sources Development "J. Černi", Belgr., RS	11.6	UNECE
Preparation and imple- mentation of the Sava	Tender line	2 years	Implemented	Nov 2009 – Nov 2011	VVMZ, Environmental Institute, Water Res. Institute, Slovakia	~ 900.0	EC
RBM Plan	Grant line	33 months	Implemented	Nov 2009 – Aug 2012	ISRBC	169.0 23.0	EC ISRBC
Enhancement of the stakeholder involvement in the management of the Sava river basin – Towards the estab- lishment of the Sava Water Partnership		9 months	Ongoing	Started in Nov 2010; Delay in implementation; Finalization expected by the end of 2013	GWP-Med	46.5	UNESCO, EC, GWP-Med
Towards practical guidance for sustainable sediment management using the Sava river basin as a showcase		~ 2.5 years	Ongoing	Started in Apr 2012; Step 1 (out of 5) implemented; Step 2 ongoing	UNESCO, ISRBC	225.0	UNESCO (ISI, IHP, Venice Office), Sed- Net, Deltares, VMM, BRGM, HAW
Flood Management							
Flood mapping study for the $-1^{st}$ phase	Sava river	18 months	Implemented	Sep 2009 – Apr 2011	USACE, ISRBC	~ 80.0 (~ 100 k\$)	USACE

Project title	Duration	Status	Remark on the status / Implementation period	Lead partner(s) / Consultant	Budget (k€)	Funding source
Building the link between flood risk management planning and climate change assessment in the Sava river basin	2 years	Ongoing	Commenced on 4 Aug 2010; Under finalization (extension to the end of 2013 approved)	Faculty of Civil Eng., Split, HR; Faculty of Civil Eng. & Geodesy, Ljubljana, SI	~ 136.0 (170 k\$)	UNECE
Navigation Development						
Pre-feasibility study for rehabilitation and development of the Sava river waterway	4 months	Implemented	Dec 2006 – Mar 2007	Witteveen+Bos, The Netherlands	159.2	HR, ISRBC
Sava river IWT economic demand and institutional, policy and legal framework study	5 months	Implemented	Mar 2007 – Jul 2007	Booz Alen Hamilton, USA	~ 240.0 (300 k\$)	USAID
Feasibility study and project documen- tation for rehabilitation and develop- ment of navigation and transport on the Sava river waterway	8 months	Implemented	Dec 2007 – Aug 2008	Pacific Consultants International, Japan	597.8	Parties
Detailed design of the marking system of the Sava river waterway on the BA marking sector	8 months	Implemented	Apr 2008 – Dec 2008	Inland Waterway Agency, HR	24.9	ВА
Restoration of the waterway marking system	toration of the waterway marking ~ 2 years Implemented 2008 – 2009 Ministry of cation and '		Ministry of Communi- cation and Transport, BA	525.0	ВА	
				Plovput, RS	350.0	RS
Pre-feasibility study for the new international port of Šabac	~ 1 year	Implemented	2010	Tina Vienna, Austria; Ehting, RS	64.0	USAID
Detailed design and prototype inst- allation for RIS on the Sava river	6 months	Implemented	Sep 2010 – Jun 2011	CRUP, HR	399.0	BA, HR, RS
Web application for development of the Marking plan for the Sava river and its navigable tributaries and for regular updating of the marking system	on for development of lan for the Sava river and ributaries and for regular 3 months Implemented Feb 2011 – May 2011 Dimedia, HR		5.5	ISRBC		

Project title	Duration	Status	Remark on the status / Implementation period	Lead partner(s) / Consultant	Budget (k€)	Funding source
			In Serbia, implemented	Plovput, RS	~ 1,100.0	EC
Implementation of RIS on the Sava	3 years	Ongoing	In Croatia, EU funds ensured		1,360.0	EC (IPA HR)
river	5 years	Oligonig	and tender procedure going on		240.0	HR
			In B&H, fund-raising in progress			
EIA study and Detailed design of the Sava river waterway	~ 2 years	Ongoing	Review of preliminary docu- mentation done;	Parsons Brinckerhoff Ltd., USA (Review);	2,125.0	EC (IPA HR)
(Section Brčko – Sisak)			Detailed design started	Witteveen+Bos, The Netherlands (Design)	375.0	HR
Demining and project documentation (EIA study and detailed design) of the Sava river waterway (Section Belgrade – Brčko)	~ 2 years	Ongoing	EIA study under development; Detailed design started	AEKOM, Spain (Study); Consortium VPB and IGH, HR (Design)	5,270.0	EC (IPA BA)
Reconstruction of the Port of Brčko		Ongoing	Started in 2012. Preparatory phase finished.		5,800.0	World Bank
Master plan for the new Port of Sisak	14 months	Ongoing	Started in 2013. Preliminary ana-	IC Consulenten,	1,275.0	EC (IPA HR)
Waster plan for the new 1 of tor Sisak	14 montus	Oligonig	lyses and investigations done.	Austria	225.0	HR
Design for the terminal for dangerous	10 months	Ongoing	Started in 2013. Preparatory		1,487.5	EC (IPA HR)
goods – Port of Slavonski Brod	10 months	Oligoling	phase finished.		262.5	HR
Information Management						
Development of draft proposal of the Sava GIS Strategy	6 months	Implemented	Dec 2006 – Jun 2007	Ms. Višnja Omerbegović, HR	5.0	ISRBC
Preparation of implementing documents for the Sava GIS	6 months	Implemented	Jul 2009 – Mar 2010	GISDATA, HR	44.3	ISRBC
Establishment and completion of the	~ 2 years Ongoing		1 <sup>st</sup> part: May 2010 – Aug. 2012 (within the EC grant for the Sava RBM Plan preparation);	Consultant(s) to be	150.0	EC
Sava GIS – 1 <sup>st</sup> implementation phase			Finalization through a new contract unofficially approved	selected	22.0	ISRBC

Project title	Duration	Status	Remark on the status / Implementation period	Lead partner(s) / Consultant	Budget (k€)	Funding source			
Hydrological and Meteorological Is	Hydrological and Meteorological Issues								
Web application for the exchange of HM information in the basin	2 months	Implemented	Apr 2011 – Jun 2011	Dimedia, HR	1.4	ISRBC			
Preparation of the Detailed programme for development of the hydrological study for the Sava river basin	12 months	Implemented	May 2012 – Jun 2013	Faculty of Civil Eng. & Geodesy, Ljubljana, SI	5.0	ISRBC			
Climate Change Issues									
Water and climate adaptation plan for the Sava river basin	~ 2 years	Ongoing	Started in June 2009; Finalization expected in 2013	World Bank	~ 240.0 (~ 300 k\$)	World Bank			
River Tourism Development									
Nautical and tourist guide for the Sava river	6 months	Implemented	Sep 2010 – Mar 2011 (published in Croatian and Serbian)	Vasić Borislav k.d., RS	15.6	Regional chambers of commerce (BA, HR, RS), SI			
Promoting eco-tourism development in the Sava river basin	15 months	Implemented	Apr 2012 – Jun 2013	US Embassy Zagreb, REC CO HR, ISRBC	~ 25.0	US Embassy Zagreb			

#### Acronyms and abbreviations

BA	Bosnia and Herzegovina	IHP	International Hydrological Program
BRGM	Bureau de Recherches Géologiques et Minières, France	ISI	International Sediment Initiative
CO	Country Office	ISRBC	International Sava River Basin Commission
EC	European Commission	IWT	Inland Waterway Transport
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment	Parties	Parties to the FASRB (BA, HR, RS, SI)
FASRB	Framework Agreement on the Sava River Basin	RBM	River Basin Management
GIS	Geographical Information System	REC	Regional Environmental Center
GWP-Med	Global Water Partnership - Mediterranean	RIS	River Information Services
HAW	Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften Hamburg,	RS	Republic of Serbia
	Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany		
HM	Hydrological and meteorological	SedNet	(European) Sediment Network
HR	Republic of Croatia	SI	Republic of Slovenia

UNECE	Economic Commission for Europe of the United Nations	USAID	United States Agency for International Development
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	VMM	Flemish Environment Agency, Belgium
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers	VVMZ	International consultancy company, Slovakia

# Appendix 3. Overview of the planned projects related to the FASRB implementation

## Projects directly linked to the main objectives of the FASRB ("A list")

No.	Project title	Dura- tion	Available documentation / Status	Budget (k€)	Possible funding source	Planned start of implementation		
Naviga	ation Development							
1	Construction works for the rehabilitation of the Sava river waterway	5-6 years	Development of detailed design in progress	~ 85,000	IPA, WB, EBRD	2015 (following the design finalization)		
2	Establishment of the system for collection, treatment and disposal of hazardous and ship waste on the Sava river	~ 5 years	Project idea available	~ 4,000	IPA, IPF	Following the finali- zation of the CO- WANDA project		
<b>River</b>	River Basin Management							
3	Examination of biodiversity and environ- mental status of sediment, water and biota in the Sava river basin	2 years	Project proposal available; Granted a LoR in the EUSDR PA4	1,490	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF	Ready for imple- mentation as soon as funding is ensured		
4	Towards sustainable sediment management in the Sava river basin	~ 2.5 years	Project idea granted a LoR in the EUSDR PA4	~ 1,500	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF			
5	Protection and sustainable use of water resources from alluvial aquifers in the Sava river basin	~ 2 years	Project idea granted a LoR in the EUSDR PA4	~ 1,500	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF			
6	Implementation of the Sava RBM Plan	~ 2 years	Project idea included as Milestone No.6 in Road Map of Action 2 ("Strengthening cooperation on the sub-basin level") in the EUSDR PA4	/	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF	2015 (once the Sava RBM Plan is adop- ted by the Parties)		
7	Update of the Sava River Basin Analysis (within the 2nd cycle of RBM planning)	~ 2 years	Project idea included as Milestone No.7 in Road Map of Action 2 in the EUSDR PA4	/	EU funds, WB	End of 2013		
8	Preparation of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sava RBM Plan	~ 4 years	Project idea included as Milestone No.8 in Road Map of Action 2 in the EUSDR PA4	/	EU funds, GEF, WB	2014		

No.	Project title	Dura- tion	Available documentation / Status	Budget (k€)	Possible funding source	Planned start of implementation
Flood	Management					
9	Development of the Flood Risk Management Plan for the Sava river basin	4 years	Program for development of the Plan to be finalized by the end of 2013; Project idea granted a LoR in the EUSDR PA5	Up to 3,000	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF, WBIF	Ready for imple- mentation as soon as funding is ensured
10	Sustainable Operational Flood Forecasting in Real-Time and Water Resources Management	3 years	Project proposal available; Granted a LoR in the EUSDR PA5	2,900	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF	Ready for imple- mentation as soon as funding is ensured
Accide	nt Prevention and Control					
11	Water pollution contingency management plan for the Sava river basin	2.5 years	Project proposal available; Granted a LoR in the EUSDR PA5	1,400	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF	Ready for imple- mentation as soon as funding is ensured
Inforn	nation Management					
12	Establishment and completion of the Sava $GIS - 2^{nd}$ and $3^{rd}$ implementation phases	~ 3 years (2 <sup>nd</sup> phase)	Project idea included as Milestone No.5 in Road Map of Action 3 ("Support to data collection systems developed by the ICPDR") in the EUSDR PA4	/	EU funds, GEF, WB	
Hydro	logical and Meteorological Issues					
13	Hydrological study for the Sava river basin	2.5 years	Detailed programme (ToR) available; Granted a LoR in the EUSDR PA4	~ 1,250	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme), GEF	Ready for imple- mentation as soon as funding is ensured

## Other regional projects beneficial for the implementation of the FASRB ("B list")

No.	Project title	Dura- tion	Available documentation / Status	Budget (k€)	Possible funding source	Planned start of implementation
River '	Fourism Development					
1	Master Plan for development of nautical tourism in the Sava river basin	~ 1 year	Project fiche available	500 -1,000	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme)	
2	Setup of pontoon network for touristic vessels along the Sava river	~ 1 year	Project proposal available	~ 500	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme)	Ready for imple- mentation as soon as funding is ensured
3	Master Plan for development of eco- tourism in the Sava river basin	~ 1 year	"Transboundary Eco-tourism Guidelines for the Sava River Basin" available	~ 500	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme)	
4	Establishment of an 'eco-mark' for the Sava river basin	6 months	"Transboundary Eco-tourism Guidelines for the Sava River Basin" available	~ 100	US government	
5	Development of bike lanes along the Sava river	/	Project proposal for Phase 1 (development of the initial concept) available; Project proposal for the whole project under development	~ 75 (Phase 1)	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme)	Ready for imple- mentation (Phase 1) as soon as funding is ensured
Develo	pment of Small and Medium Enterprise	5				
6	Development of infrastructure for food production and fish farming in the Sava river basin	/	/	/	WBIF	
7	Development of infrastructure for waste water and manure treatment in the Sava river basin	/	/	/	WBIF	
8	Development of small hydropower plants in the Sava river basin	/	/	/	WBIF	
9	Development of small shipyards and small ports/marinas in the Sava river basin	/	/	/	WBIF	

No.	Project title	Dura- tion	Available documentation / Status	Budget (k€)	Possible funding source	Planned start of implementation	
Spatial Development							
10	Urbanistic concept of the spatial develop- ment along the Sava river from its source to the mouth	/	Project idea	/	EU funds (e.g. SEE Programme)		

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EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development	PA	Priority Area (of the EUSDR)
EU	European Union	RBM	River Basin Management
EUSDR	EU Strategy for the Danube Region	SEE	South-Eastern Europe
GEF	Global Environment Facility	ToR	Terms of Reference
GIS	Geographical Information System	US	United States (of America)
IPA	Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance	WB	World Bank
IPF	Infrastructure Projects Fund	WBIF	Western Balkan Investment Framework
LoR	Letter of Recommendation		