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2nd Meeting of the Ad-hoc GIS Expert Group

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AD.1 Opening of the meeting

1.1 Welcome by the Cochairman

Mr. Špegar opened the meeting at 10:20 and welcomed all participants to the meeting. He noted that Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Croatia, Republic of Slovenia and Republic of Serbia are represented by at least one Ad-hoc GIS Expert Group member. The full List of Participants is attached to this report as Annex I.

1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

1. The Group adopted agenda of the 2nd Meeting of the Ad-hoc GIS Expert Group as proposed.

AD.2 Project of Preparation of Implementing Documents for Establishment of the Sava GIS

2.1 Status of Project

Cochairmen Mr. Špegar and Mr. Zeljko informed Group about status of the Project of Preparation of Implementing Documents for Establishment of the Sava GIS.

The members of the Group were informed about preparation process of the Project and foreseen activities in the near future.

2.2 Discussion

In discussion following the information the members discussed and agreed on proposed details in tender documentation which are in accordance to the Procurement Procedure of Sava Commission.

1. The Ah GIS EG also agreed to nominate Ms. Horvat, Mr. Veršič and Mr. Stanić as the members of the core group (or Steering Committee) for review of the work of a Consultant upon award of contract.

AD.3 GIS data and maps for Sava River Basin Analysis (SRBA)

3.1 Presentation of the status

Cochairman Mr. Zeljko gave a presentation of GIS data and maps for Sava River Basin Analysis (SRBA).

He emphasized certain difficulties in the maps preparation mainly caused for the following reasons:

- The GIS data collection started under the umbrella of the Sava CARDS project without any agreement on data standards and/or requested information;
- The result was data submitted in vast projections (or unprojected) data, different attribute tables for the same features etc.,
- The special problems were lack of harmonization of data between countries and significant delays in submitting.

At the end of presentation, Mr. Zeljko, also, presented and discussed the status of all maps for SRBA.

3.2 General discussion

In discussion following the presentation the members discussed, mainly, Mr. Zeljko's proposals for unification of coordinate system in which data will be sent and obtaining the transformation parameters.

3.3 Recommendation for further steps in data collection

Following general discussion Ad-hoc GIS Expert Group concluded:

1. All GIS data will be submitted to the Sava Commission in ETRS89 coordinate system;
2. Unification of other parameters of the GIS data shall be agreed through the work of the Ah GIS EG, mainly in the course of the Project of Preparation of Implementing Documents for Establishment of the Sava GIS. This process should take into account work of the ICPDR in order to avoid any possible duplication or inconsistency;
3. The Ah GIS EG should also contribute to the process of harmonization of data between the Sava countries;
4. In order to avoid any unnecessary delay in data collection the members of the AH GIS EG will be informed simultaneously about any request to the PEG RBM for the submission of GIS data.

AD.4 Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 and Work Programme of the AH GIS EG for the FY 2009

Cochairmen presented Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY 2009 and Work Programme of the AH GIS EG for the FY 2009.

Following discussion Group slightly improved Work Programme of the AH GIS EG for the FY 2009 and concluded:

1. The Ah GIS EG agreed on the Work Plan of the ISRBC for FY09 in the field of its competence;
2. The Ah GIS EG agreed on the Work Programme of the Group for FY09.

AD.5 Any other issue

Cochairmen informed Group that:

- Special FTP account for the Ah GIS EG on Sava Commission server will be established for the purpose of exchange of large documents ;

Cochairmen also announced that next meeting of the Group is scheduled for September or October 2009 tentatively according to the Work Programme of the AH GIS EG for the FY 2009.

There were no other issues, so Mr. Špegar and Mr. Zeljko thanked to all participants for their contribution and closed the meeting.

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