

State-aid schemes for funding investments in ports (WP3)

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Background

PUBLIC FUNDING

- Public funding plays an important role in Danube port investments
- State supports schemes
- EU funding including several operational programmes in DAPhNE countries
- States, regions and municipalities as owners/investors
- PPP schemes

STATE AID RULES

- EU competition policy sets out strict rules for state aid to economic activities
- During last years, state aid to port investments is a "hot topic"
- Regulatory uncertainity as a burden to port investments
- Several state aid cases
- A new regulatory framework (GBER modification) will be issued in 2017



PURPOSE

To develop a model for state aid schemes for the region which is compatible with state aid rules meets the investment needs and goals preserves continuity in relation to existing schemes can be applied at regional level and adapted to national requirements and therefore encourages investments in ports infrastructures and logistic facilities



Period 1

Dissemi-nation **TASKS AND DELIVERABLES** and main-Elaboration of streaming the Model for **National** State Aid workshops (HU, **Schemes** National state HR, SK, BG & aid reports RO) National state aid report template Identifying and methodology relevants to assess status stakeholders quo national database for the working group

Period 3

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TARGET GROUPS

- Policy makers
- State aid grantors: ministries, managing authorities of operational programmes
- National state aid authorities
- Port operators and port managers
- Private investors
- Regional and local authorities