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## Pro Danube Romania (PDR) ERDF PP7



**Pro Danube Romania** is a non-governmental organization aiming to support and to promote the Inland Waterway Transport activities on the Danube related to cargo and passengers.

PDR's main goal is to increase the competitiveness of inland waterway transport and connected logistics systems in general and especially on the Danube by the improvement of transport, economic and regional policy conditions of shipping and logistics on inland waterways through the consultation of political representatives and public administration and also by providing data, information and subject specific facts and knowledge.

Within the project framework PDR will actively support the cooperation between stakeholders (private businesses, ports administrations, public institutions, European institutions) in order to set-up and enlarge the Danube Ports Network and to establish the Danube Port Development Strategy and its related Action Plan.

PDR will act as facilitator on the Lower Danube Sector for upgrading and improving the port administration and the port legislation as a result of stronger professional cooperation between the port administrations, public decision-makers and the private sector, for the benefit of the stakeholders involved in ports related activities.

PDR will be involved to the development of ports through the Public Private Partnerships framework for important investments, bringing together the public authorities and private organizations, including logistics and Short Sea Shipping (SSS) companies, operating on the ports located on the Romanian sector of the Danube.

PDR will contribute to a comprehensive vision about the opportunities offered by the future development of ports as a central pillar of IWT development on the Danube, through a stronger cooperation among the ports located on the Danube, improving the business processes and strategies and implementing the good practices and the recommendations identified during the activities deployed.

PDR's Project Team consists of Mrs. Andra Luciana Marcu [Project Manager] and Mr. Silviu Meterna [Project Coordinator]. While Andra is responsible mainly for the WPs related to the specific content of DAPhNE, Silviu takes care of the financial management of the project, the connection with other projects, similar initiatives, external stakeholders and the set-up of the **Danube Ports Network**.

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