

WILDislands Masterplan & General Discussion

Expert Workshop WP3 WILDisland

Visegrád, 8 September 2017

Danube WILDislands

Masterplan (1)

Review of the basic concept (its local application & testing)

Further development of the database and maps

Development of a **Danube-wide concept** during a reflection with key stakeholders (intl. Commissions, national water users, local land owners, media etc.)

Collection of **experiences and lessons** (opportunities and bottlenecks, willingness and limits, acceptance and support)

„**Technical feasibility**“: re-wilding needs and constraints

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Masterplan (2)

Long-term **establishment** of the WILDisland Initiative

Potential to establish a **distinct label** for Danube WILDislands
(government meetings, intl. conferences, convention secretariats)

Compilation of main DanubeParks project results (strategy paper
with database, final concept, testing, pilot islands)

Concept of a **follow-up project** to implement pilot WILDislands

Work plan of international consultants

- Reporting and incorporation of Visegrad workshop results
- Further development of the concept towards a **Masterplan**
- **Support to PP managers** to select and achieve pilot islands
- Consultancy on **local lobbying** - support on intl. level
- Assessment of the potential and options for an **intl. Initiative**
- Further develop the **inventory** and **maps** based on PP input
- Provide support for developing the WILDisland **database** and
- Proposals for a **follow-up project**.

Proposed next steps by PP

- Sept.:** National Partner review of proposed pilot sites
- in terms of ecological qualities (wilderness character and perspective)
- Oct.:** National Partner review of long list sites (inventory)
- Nov.:** Joint assessment with intl. consultants with the aim to
- Identify easy pilot islands (1-2) and best candidates (1-5)
 - clarify for those islands the key issues with local stakeholders (landowners, user rights, openness to become a WILDIsland etc.)
- Jan-Mar 2018:** Meetings with key stakeholders
- April:** Transfer results of your work to intl. consultants
- June:** Next joint meeting at Novi Sad conference to reflect progress.