

**Towards green, efficient and competitive river Danube transport**

# **Regulatory framework & human resources development**

GRENDEL Kick off meeting

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# Motivation & goals



- Main goal is to facilitate a favourable regulatory framework for identified future technological developments and greening & efficiency innovations as well as for the defined E&T measures through targeted interaction of the Danube Commission (DC) and its Member States.
- For this structured dialogue, a co-operation platform shall be created and managed by the DC which will ensure comprehensive expert advice and practical experience of Danube fleet operators and IWT experts in addition to the expertise of DC & its Member States.
- Sector requirements will be channelled into the regulatory framework shaped on the national as well as European level (through CESNI “European committee for drawing up common standards in the field of inland navigation” & its national representatives).
- The platform shall sustain after the end of the DTP project and can be used also for ad-hoc consultations related to the modernisation activities of the Danube fleet on specific topic, using surveys or questionnaires.

# Approach



- Identification of suitable elements for a stimulating regulatory framework to ensure Danube fleet modernisation addressing greening technologies, efficient navigation and integration of IWT into logistics systems.
- Identification of suitable elements for a regulatory framework which stimulates the provision of E&T measures required by the workforce in Danube navigation in order to facilitate greening technologies as well as sustainable and efficient vessel operations on all levels of work.
- Consolidation of know-how regarding regulatory framework related to the greening technologies & solutions, training & education & related gaps
- Prepare & execute three (3) consultations between DC, its Members States and the Danube IWT sector as part of a structured and comprehensive regular information exchange with IWT industry leading to the future institutionalisation of this consultation mechanism in the working procedures of the DC.

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