

Sixth Stakeholders' Conference

# THE DANUBE REGION TRANSPORT DAY 2021

*Joint EUSDR PA1b coordinators<sup>1</sup> and UNECE event*

Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Ljubljana / Slovenia

Venue: virtual (online tool Zoom)

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9.00 – 9.30 *Registration and Welcome Virtual Coffee*

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### PLENARY SESSION

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9.30 – 9.35 **Welcome and Introduction by organizers**

- *Mr. Franc Žepič, EUSDR Priority Area Coordinator, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia*
  - *Mr. Nenad Nikolić, Regional advisor, UNECE,*
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9.35 – 10.00 **Welcome Speeches**

- *Mr. Yuwei Li, Director, UNECE*
  - *Ms Tamara Delić, Assistant minister, the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Serbia*
  - *Mr. Darko Trajanov, Director General for Sustainable Mobility and Transport Policy, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia*
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10.00 – 10.45 **S1: Macro-Regional Strategies and Financing Mechanisms for Transport Projects**

Moderator: *Mr. Franc Žepič, PA1b PAC, Slovenia*

Speakers:

- Macro-regional strategies for sustainable transport in the Danube macro-region
    - *Mr. Johan Magnusson, DG REGIO, the European Commission*
  - Which EU funds are directed towards sustainable transport
    - *Ms Barbara Bernardi, CINEA, the European Commission*
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10.45 – 11.00 *(Virtual) Coffee Break*

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11.00 – 13.00 **S2: Transforming the railways in the Danube region: what can be done to make the railways attractive and safe during and after the coronavirus era?**

Moderator: *Mr. Nenad Nikolić, UNECE,*

Introductory speech:

- *Mr. François Davenne, Director General, UIC*

Presentations:

- UNECE railway activities
    - *Mr. Francesco Dionori, Chief of Section, UNECE*
  - Challenges for railway passenger transport in Europe
    - *Mr. Alberto Mazzola, Executive Director, CER*
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- Improving railways in the Western Balkans
  - *Mr. Dejan Lasica, Transport Community Treaty Permanent Secretariat, Belgrade*
- Level crossing safety in the EU
  - *Mr. Giacomo Potenza, ERA (the European Railway Agency), Valenciennes*
- The Romanian Transport Investment Plan 2020 – 2030 in the context of TEN-T
  - *Mr. Robert Razvan Dobre, Director General, Ministry of Transport, Romania*
- EIB support for sustainable transport: increasing share for passenger railways
  - *Mr. Teo Falato, EIB, Luxembourg*

*Discussion*

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13.00–14.00

*Lunch Break*

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14.00–16.00 ***S3: The potential of bicycle routes in the Danube region: Safe cycling for commuting and pleasure***

Moderator: *Mr. Franc Žepič, PA1b PAC, Slovenia*

Speakers:

- The PEP (The Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme)
  - *Ms. Virginia Fuse, UNECE*
- Developing a Danube Cycling Strategy with references to the first pan-European Master Plan for Cycling Promotion adopted during the 5th High Level Conference of THE PEP
  - *Mr. Andreas Friedwagner, Verracon, Austria*
- Defining national cycle route networks and linking them in the Danube region
  - *Mr. Gregor Steklačič, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia*
- Defining cycling infrastructure standards in the Danube region
  - *Mr. Ivica Jujnovic, Croatian Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure, Croatia*
- EuroVelo cycling infrastructure safety survey in Danube region: experience from SABRINA project,
  - *Mr. Marko Ševrovič, Ph.D., European Institute of Road Assessment – EuroRAP, Slovenia*
- The OJP4Danube - Integrated, transnational bike routing for the Danube Region
  - *Ms Daniela Gamper, Austriatech, Austria*
- Identifying Danube Cycling Ambassadors Jitka Vrtalova, Partnership for Urban Mobility in Czechia)
  - *Ms. Jitka Vrtalova, Partnership for Urban Mobility in Czechia I.L.c., Czech Republic*

*Discussion*

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16.00 –16.15 *Wrap-up and closure of the conference*

**Registration link:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpdeuhpz4tE9MzBTri\\_m1-Covfof\\_JXc65](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpdeuhpz4tE9MzBTri_m1-Covfof_JXc65)

*(After registration participants will receive a confirmation e-mail with information about their participation in the meeting).*

**Conference language: English.** No interpretation available.