

Danube Ecological Corridor international seminar

28th of March 2018

Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary (Budapest, 1055 Kossuth Lajos Square 11.)

I. 09:00 –10:30: Politics and policies

10	<i>Welcome speech</i> from the part of host Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary	Zsolt V. Németh, Secretary of State, Hungary
20	Plans of EU Commission for enhancing green infrastructure. DG Environment, Biodiversity Unit	Julie RAYNAL, EU Commission, DG Environment
20	Danube: the biggest ecological corridor in Europe	András Weipert, MTA Centre for Ecological Research
20	„Ecologic corridor” notion in the Hungarian (2003. évi XXVI.) law; intentions and implementation	András Schmidt (Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary)
20	<i>Q & A</i>	

Café Break

II. 11:00 - 13:00: Experiences from implementation

20	Masterplan Bavarian Danube: experiences of cooperation between NGOs and authorities; transferability to other regions in the EUSDR	Florian Ballnus, Bavarian State Ministry of the Environment and Consumer Protection. Priority Area 6 Coordinator - EU Strategy for the Danube Region
20	Bridging the Danube Protected towards a Danube Habitat Corridor: experiences of DANUBEPARKS	Mag. Georg Frank, Austria
20	Experiences of Mura-Drava-Danube Transboundary Biosphere Reserve	Mag.(FH) Magdalena Wagner, Project Manager coop-MDD, WWF Austria
20	Ecological corridors in the Alpine Region Strategy	Mrs. Michaela Kunzl, coordinator for ecological connectivity of the Alpine Strategy. Slovenia TBC
20	Eco-tourism within ecological corridors – potentials and assets	TBC
20	<i>Q & A</i>	

Lunch Break

III. 13:30 - 15:30 Interactive parallel session discussions about suggestions and “next steps”

13:30 Teaser: cultural diversity – cultural corridors	BHK
A) Ecological tourism	Cristina Sandu, Romania
B) Networking the existing capacities	Mag. Georg Frank, Austria
C) Founding possibilities for future projects	Kristina Teréz Szabó, Hungary
15:10 Wrap-up and conclusion	

Exhibition:

- Danubeparks <http://www.danubeparks.org/>
- Sturgeon Project http://www.dstf.eu/assets/Uploads/documents/Sturgeon-2020edited_2.pdf
- National Park Products <http://nemzetiparkitermek.hu/>
- PLASTIC Cup <http://petkupa.hu/eng/>
- TRANSGREEN, CEEweb <http://www.interreg-danube.eu/approved-projects/transgreen>
- EURO Velo 6 bicycle route <http://www.eurovelo.com/en/eurovelos/eurovelo-6>