



PROJECT SUMMARY

1. Background/Framework:

The river Danube connects the Central-Europe with the Black Sea. It flows through 9 European countries; four capitals are located by the Danube. This indicates the strong importance of the river in common economic, historical and cultural terms. DONAUHANSE is an INTERREG III-B programme and aims to create a „common wealth for the participating cities and regions.

2. Objectives:

Set-up of a common platform/network for:

- Problem solving (such as environmental vs. economic activities, financing and funding,...)
- Development of projects and proposals ready for implementation
- Creation of networks of cities with aim to advance their regional and spatial development through co-operative action in the fields of economy, urban planning, trade and transport as well as tourism.
- Designing of awareness raising for urban development strategies leading to the identification and usage of regional potentials within the cities and the Danube Space as a whole.
- Assessing and advancing of the potentials of the Danube cities by making use of their particular situation on the river and of their economic strengths, but also of their cultural and touristic potential.

3. Organisation:

A workshop held by the co-financing partners (City of Vienna, Austrian Federal Ministry for Economics and Labour, Economic Region Danube Cities, Danube Lower Austria Tourism Company) in November, suggested that DONAUHANSE should establish four working groups with following topics:

- 1) Cultural issues
- 2) Tourism
- 3) Ports
- 4) Economy

During the kick-off conference four workshops according to the defined topics will be held to discuss more details.

4. Goals for the kick-off conference within the working groups:

The four topics of the working groups will be organised in parallel workshops. All participants should provide their written ideas and inputs in advance.

At least two sessions of the workshops should be held.

Discussion of suggestions of participants

Definition of common topics of interest and possible projects within the working groups and discussion according to objectives of DONAUHANSE

5. List of project partners

LP: Lead Partner, PP: Project Partner

	Institution (name in English)	EU Memb er State (Y/N)	Countr y (Code)	Total financial contri- bution (EU + co-finan- cing in €)	thereof in kind (in €)
PP 1 LP	City of Vienna – Municipal Department for Economical and Technological Development, MA 04	Y	AT		
PP 2 ¹	City of Vienna – Municipal Department for EU-Strategy Economic Development, MA 27	Y	AT	695 000	
PP 3	Austrian Federal Ministry for Economics and Labour	Y	AT	145 000	
PP 4	Economic Region Danube Cities	Y	DE	895 000	
PP 5	Danube Lower Austria Tourism Company	Y	AT	165 000	
PP 6	Danube Office Ulm	Y	DE	LoI	
PP 7	City of Budapest	N	HU	LoI	
PP 8	County Right City of Győr	N	HU	LoI	
PP 9	Visegrad Mayor Office	N	HU	LoI	
PP 10	Municipality of Rousse	N	BG	LoI	
PP 11	The City Hall of Drobeta Turnu Severin	N	RO	LoI	
PP 12	Giurgiu City Hall	N	RO	LoI	
PP 13	Galatz City Hall	N	RO	LoI	
PP 14	Sulina Mayorality	N	RO	LoI	
PP 15	Odessa City Council	N	UA	LoI	
PP 16	City of Belgrade	N	YU	LoI	
PP 17	City Council Novi Sad	N	YU	LoI	
PP 18	Smederevo Municipality	N	YU	LoI	
PP 19	Municipal Assembly of Kladovo	N	YU	LoI	
TOTAL				1 900 000	

6. Planned end of project: 31/12/2006

¹ also ERDF LP if applicable

