

## **Thematic priorities and activities for better cooperation within the frame of ARGE Donauländer**

### **Thematic priorities of slovakian presidency (Trnava self-governing region)**

- key thematic focus of presidency on the areas of **water, tourism** and knowledge society,
- support for „European Cultural Route of Saints Cyril and Methodius“ and it's include into the List of cultural routes of the Council of Europe in the year 2017,
- enhancing of lobbying support for project applicants linking together several countries areas of Working Community of the Danube Regions (Donau Planet).

### **Activities for better cooperation within the frame of ARGE Donauländer**

- website ARGE Donauländer
  - regular updates of webpage,
  - ensuring availability of ARGE Donauländer events outputs (including presentations and archive, where could be available at least outputs from previous and actual meeting),
  - ensuring availability of ARGE Donauländer working groups (including presentations and archive, where could be available at least outputs from previous and actual meeting),
  - publication of individual working groups members on the webpage of ARGE DL,
  - elaboration and updating the start page of website, which will provide basic information about ARGE DL and current events with published invitations and protocols from working group meetings and events in english language (proposed form is another link under Weiterführende Links under the name Information about ARGE DL in English),
  - publication of links for the english version of website start page on pages of individual members of ARGE DL (on behalf of better promotion of website),
- supporting project activities
  - issuing of support letters and statements for the projects within the frame of Danube Transnational Programme (communication support of this activity with Government Office of the Slovak Republic and communication with managing authorities of Interreg Danube Transnational Programme 2014 – 2020 and Interreg Central Europe 2014 – 2020),
  - creating project database of ARGE Donauländer and it's updating,
  - sending new project proposals/projects from the above mentioned database to the members of working groups,
- working groups meetings
  - inviting of national coordinators of Danube Strategy to ARGE DL working groups meetings,
  - supporting the idea to connect meetings of working groups with different thematic conferences (Danube forum, conferences relevant with thematic focus of working groups) or excursion in the area/successful projects visits,
- publicity of outputs (meetings of working groups and events of ARGE Donauländer)
  - elaboration of common media strategy,
  - publicity of outputs through local and regional press sources of partner regions.

- Plan of activities for the year 2017
  - sending of common letter TTSK/BSK/ARGE DL to all partners and observers with the plan of activities for the year 2017 (in collaboration with the ARGE DL Secretariat and working groups) and with proposed priorities and activities of the TTSK presidency in the year 2017.

**Calendar of meetings for the year 2017**

- setting of meeting schedule:
  - Working groups meetings (1 – 2 meetings for individual working groups),
  - 1 meeting Working Group of Senior Officials,
  - 1 meeting of Standing Committee
  - 1 Conference of Heads of Government – political platform of ARGE Donauländer