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1 Agenda

- 0. Welcome and Introduction
- 1. Keynotes
 - a. Tobias EISELE / PA2 “Sustainable Energy”
 - b. Florian BALLNUS / PA6 “Biodiversity, Landscapes, Quality of Air and Soil”
- 2. Inputs from the Danube Regions
- 3. Group Work Session (PA2 and PA6)
- 4. Conclusions & Next Steps



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3 Presentations

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Overview of Presentations

Document Title	Content
0_WGSEE general presentation	Peter Obricht and Christian Steiner: Introduction, Recommendations, Purpose of Working Group
1a_PA2 Mate	Tobias Eisele and Kinga Mate: Keynote on PA2 "Sustainable Energy"
1b_PA6 Ballnus	Florian Ballnus: PA6 "Biodiversity, Landscapes, Quality of Air and Soil"
2_1_a_Kirchholtes	Hermann Josef Kirchholtes: Soil and Groundwater Management of Contaminated Sites
2_1_b_Brumat	Stefano Brumat: Danube:Future - White Paper on Integrated Sustainable Development of the Danube River Basin
2_1_c_Szlezak	Erwin Szlezak: Soil map and Sustainable Operations Network in the Danube Region
2_1_d_Romic	Marija Romic: Agricultural land resources evaluation in Croatia
2_1_e_Hawkins	Carmen Hawkins: Efficient land management in Baden-Württemberg
2_2_a_Burdzhiev	Stefko Burdzhiev and Veronika Georgieva: Zero carbon emissions district
2_2_b_Eisele	Tobias Eisele: Energy Efficiency in Baden-Württemberg
2_2_c_Nagy	Mihajlo Nagy: Energy & Environment programs in Vukovar-Srijem County
2_3_a_Supper	Susanne Supper: Danube-Region Student Exchange Project
2_3_b_Berkyova_parks	Zuzana Berkyova: Interactive Nature Paths and Theme Parks
2_3_c_Berkyova_profiles	Zuzana Berkyova: Land Profiles
2_3_d_Weber_newspaper	Martin Weber: Online Newspaper
2_3_e_Weber_tour	Martin Weber: Educational Tour
0_WGSEE general presentation	Group Work
0_WGSEE general presentation	Conclusions and Next Steps

4 Group Work Session

PA2 – Sustainable Energy

Amendments in green

Flip1

Involvement in existing initiatives
In which initiatives are you involved?

HR: climate protection: wood alliance/cluster

Flip2

Regional stakeholders and actors

Which stakeholders and actors of your region might be interested in activities / projects of the Danube-Region?
[name, institution]
What is their particular scope of interest?

EUSDR PA2
ICPDR

Flip3

Proposed resolutions

Energy and Environment

Within planning and alignment of activities of the Working Group Sustainability, Energy and Environment, great importance shall be attached to the utilization of synergies with the respective projects and measures in the area of energy that are implemented in the “Europe Region Danube-Vltava”.

The Working Group Sustainability, Energy and Environment shall be dedicated to the exchange of knowledge, experience and ideas with established networks in the area of energy and environment (e.g. Climate Alliance – Klimabündnis, European Energy Award – e5 etc.).

Link to PA2 and other similar initiatives

Flip4

Energy related Key Topics

Starting point:

- “Danube-Region Student Exchange Project on a Sustainable Energy Future”

Key Topics:

- Energy efficient buildings

HR, BG: energy efficient districts - decentralized energy production

- E-Mobility: To be discussed at another meeting

5 Group Work Session

PA6 – Soil and Landuse

Flip1

Involvement in existing initiatives

In which initiatives are you involved?

European Land and Soil Alliance (ELSA)
Bodenschutznetzwerk im Donauraum (SONDAR)

Flip2

Regional stakeholders and actors

Which stakeholders and actors of your region might be interested in activities / projects of the Danube-Region?

[name, institution]

What is their particular scope of interest?

(SK) Schools, companies, municipalities
Soilmap
Tea bag Index/Bioindicators
Online communication public awareness, Keep it simple
Urban Agriculture/ Gardening
Gap between science and practical application/need

Flip3

Priority Setting

Related to SOIL and LANDUSE

1. Humusmanagement and regional production of organic fertilizer
 2. SOIL map – soil information: e.g. Soil map of Croatia (Maria Romic)
 3. Erosion prevention with soil protection systems (“ Biotopverbundsysteme”);
 4. Sustainable Agricultural Land use: Stocks in Agricultural Soils
 5. Soil data - harmonization (JRC) and make it available for land user and fire brigades
 6. Land consumption (reuse/ revitalization of brownfields); Inner urban development
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6 Conclusions and Next Steps

6.1 Purpose and benefit of the Working Group

- Compilation and linking-up of current projects and best practice examples
- Development of new project ideas and dissemination within national networks
- Strengthening of cooperation and knowledge exchange within Danube Regions

Make use of the purpose of the Working Group – especially for the exchange of experience and the development of project ideas / joint activities.

6.2 Joint Activities and Projects - Danube-Region Lower Austria- Energy Future Student Tour

See short presentation of Susanne Supper [“2_3_a_Supper”]

Please contact Susanne Supper as soon as possible if you want to be a **regional contact person** for the “Danube-Region Austria- Energy Future Student Tour”.

As a regional contact person you support the project with the following tasks (→ not all of these tasks have to be carried out by yourself, but you can also name other contact persons that take over a task).

- **Help to find 2 students from your region** who participate in the Energy Future Student Tour (ideally cooperate with a university / college specialized in energy related topics and interested in Danube-region projects).
- Provide a **short briefing** (e.g. one short meeting before the tour starts) for the 2 students on the energy status-quo and current plans / visions / strategies of your region.
- Provide the **financing of travelling costs** for the 2 students to Lower Austria and back.
- (Eventually provide partial financing for travelling, accommodation and food during the tour).
- During the Student Tour, a great variety of exploitable outputs will be produced by the students together with experts who guide them (e.g. photos, schemes, interviews, illustrations, short reports, factsheets etc.). Please **help to disseminate these results** in your region (e.g. via your websites, newsletters, social media, events, publications etc.).

The project will be coordinated by the Energy and Environment Agency of Lower Austria together with the Government of Lower Austria, Department for Environment and Energy Policy.

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The coordinators will provide further information on this activity by end of January.

6.3 Continuous Communication

Meetings of the Working Group twice a year:

- Meeting in spring: Actors of PA2 and PA6 meet separately
- Meeting in autumn: Joint meeting of the whole Working Group in form of a side event of the annual forum

Continuous Communication (mail / phone)

- Particularly with regard to project ideas / proposals

6.4 Next meeting of the Working Group on „Energy“

May 21st 2016, 13:00 – 16:00, in the framework of the E-Mobility-Test-Day in Melk, Lower Austria

An invitation including further information on this meeting will be sent to you soon.

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