



THE 4TH DANUBE PARTICIPATION DAY IN THE EU DANUBE STRATEGY
SCIENCE MEETS PARTICIPATION, INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY
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The Danube Participation Day is moderated by Jörg Mirtl, Interact Programme

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09:00 – 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 09:45 Opening Session

Dietmar **Meyer**, Rector, Andrásy University

István **Joó**, Ministerial Commissioner for Water Diplomacy, Export and the Danube Region Strategy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary, National Coordinator of Hungary in the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

Rudolf **Schicker**, Priority Area 10 Institutional Capacity & Cooperation of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

09:45 – 10:30 Keynotes: Participation from Theory to Practice Top-down and Bottom-up

Andre **Baumann**, State Secretary in the Ministry of the Environment, Climate Protection and the Energy Sector

Zoltán **Pállinger**, Andrásy University

Q & A

10:30 – 12:30 Discussion: The Agenda for Participation in the EU Macro-Regional Strategies

Input: The State of Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe

Clara **Moder**, Social Entrepreneurship Centers, Vienna University of Economics and Business

Presentation: The Agenda for Participation in the EU Macro-Regional Strategies

Stefan August **Lütgenau**, Danube Civil Society Forum, Foster Europe

Panel Discussion with Participation Partnerships

Stefan **Barth**, Agapedia Foundation

Blaz **Barboric**, Geodetic Institute of Slovenia

Claudia **Singer**, Priority Area 10 Institutional Capacity & Cooperation of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

Roland **Hanak**, Priority Area 9 People & Skills of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

Stefan August **Lütgenau**, Danube Civil Society Forum/Foster Europe

Iva **Taralezhkova**, Citizen Participation Forum

Q & A

12:30 – 13:30 Networking Lunch

13:30 – 16:00 Working Groups

The Working Groups will lay the basis for the establishment of the Participation Partnerships with the perspective of implementing the principles of participation and good governance in the EU macro-regions. The Participation Partnerships should develop into sustainable cooperation networks throughout the EU macro-regional strategies between civil society, local actors and academia as well as national, international and European organisations and institutions.

Working Group I: Participation Partnership – A research perspective

The Partnership will aim at exploring and working on theories and good practices in research that promote participatory governance in order to enhance capacities for multi-level governance in the macro-regions and to develop potential measures and actions that can be applied in the macro-regional strategies.

Chair: Blaz **Barboric**, Geodetic Institute of Slovenia

Working Group II: Participation Partnership - Building Macro-regional Strategies on local and multi-level governance

The Partnership will aim at developing concrete measures for the implementation of Participation at the local level, based on the new guidelines for Participation developed by the Council of Europe.

Chair: Stefan August **Lütgenau**, Danube Civil Society Forum/Foster Europe

Working Group III: Participation Partnership - A key factor of social innovation and sustainable development

The Partnership should identify innovative, co-creative and trans-sectoral approaches in order to sustain long term top-down (thinking) and bottom-up (acting) processes (developments).

Chair: Stefan **Barth**, Agapedia Foundation

Working Group IV: Participation Partnership - Designing 2020+ with Local Actors in the Macro-regional Strategies

The Partnership aims at looking at existing participatory instruments in EU-institutions, funding programmes and decision-making processes in the macro-regions and explores possibilities to strengthen participation of civil society and local actors in shaping regional development post 2020.

Chair: Claudia **Singer**, Priority Area 10 Institutional Capacity & Cooperation of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

Working Group V: Participation Partnership - Empowering Roma

The Partnership deals with participatory approaches to empower Roma communities in the macro-regions in order to enable their participation in the shaping of their social and political capital.

Chair: Barbara **Willsberger**, Priority Area 9 People & Skills of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee Break**

16:30 – 17:00 **Report from the National Civil Society activities in the Danube Region 2017**

Hungary

Miklos **Barabas**, Coordinator for Civil Society in Hungary, Director European House

Csaba **Madarász**, Participatory Democracy Expert, e-Democracy Workshop Association

National Participation Days in the EUSDR

Daniela Stojkovic, NGO World and Danube

Q & A

17:00 – 18:00 Outlook on the participation and position of the Agenda for Civil Society in the Macro-Regional Strategies and the Partnerships 2018

Results of the Workshops

Blaz **Barboric**, Geodetic Institute of Slovenia

Stefan August **Lütgenau**, Danube Civil Society Forum/Foster Europe

Stefan **Barth**, Agapedia Foundation

Claudia **Singer**, Claudia Singer, Priority Area 10 Institutional Capacity & Cooperation of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

Roland **Hanak**, Priority Area 9 People & Skills of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region

18:00 – 19:00 Passing the Bell: Closing Session and Outlook on the Danube Participation Day 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Dietmar **Meyer**, Andrásy University

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Iva **Taralezhkova**, Citizen Participation Forum

19:00 **Evening Reception**

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10:00- 13:00 Participation through Media

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Media has next to civil society a control function in our societies. How can media literacy and using effective instruments for social media help civil society actors to be heard?

Chair: Iryna Gumenchuk, Agapedia Foundation

09:30-12:00 D-LAP Meeting, Priority Area 10 of the EUSDR

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