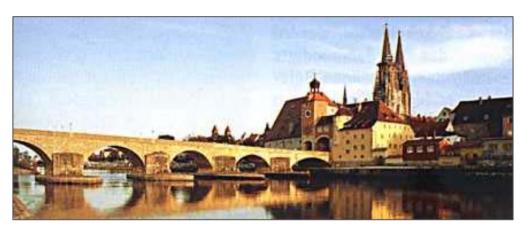
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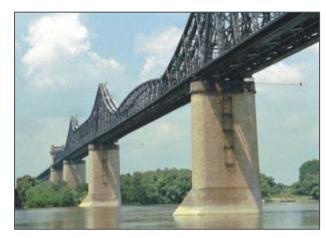




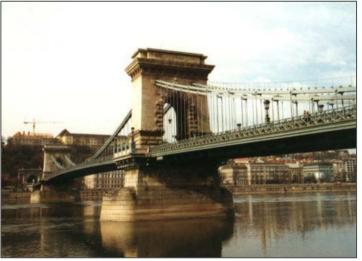
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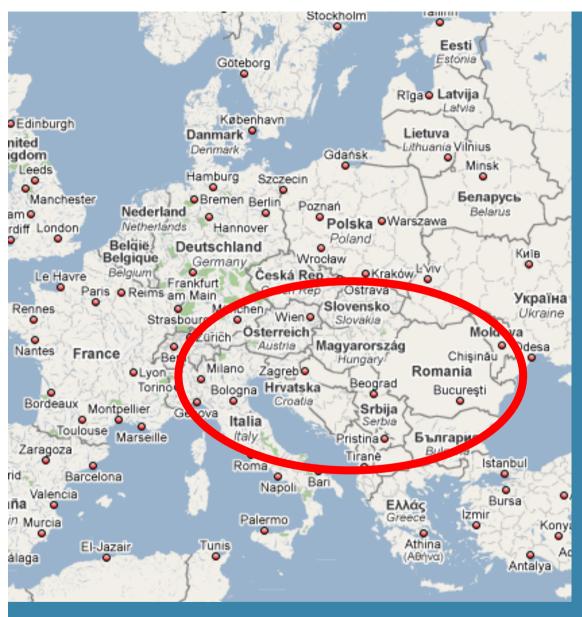
International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River der Donau











- ⇒ ~9% Europe
- ⇒ ~ 800.000 km²
- **⇒ 83 M inhabitants**
- **⇒ 19 Countries**

Most international river basin in the world



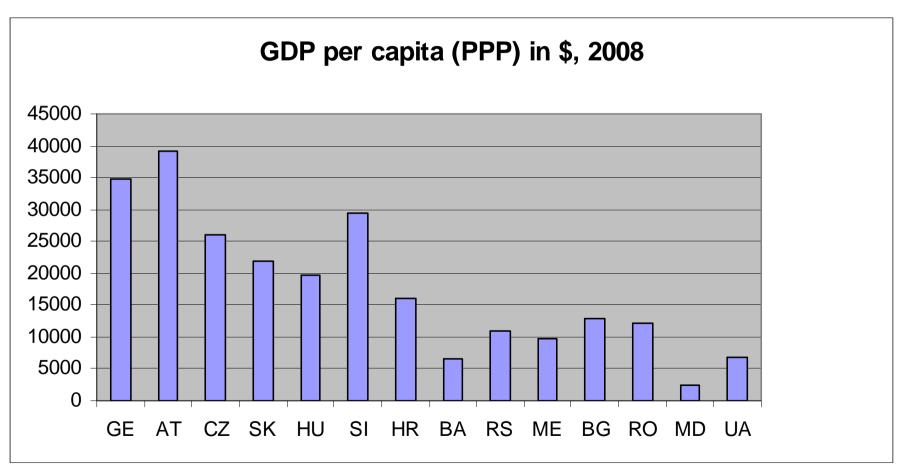
European Lifeline

- Danube, 2,857km
 (Amazone 6,788km, Rhine: 1,320km)
- 27 large and over 300 small tributaries
- Danube River Basin: ~ 800,000km²
- Important for: agriculture, industry, drinking water, ..
- Historical and cultural symbol
- Highly important ecosystem (Kopacki rit, Danube Delta, ...)



Economic Disparities





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Legal frame for co-operation to assure protection of water and ecological resources and their sustainable use in the Danube River Basin.

signed: 29 June 1994, Sofia

entered into force: 22 October 1998

EU Water Framework Directve



- Comprehensive water directive of the European Union to ensure the "good status of all waters" by 2015.
- Based on the principle of integrated river basin management and stakeholder participation.

ICPDR nominated as platform for coordination



Goals of the ICPDR

Implementation of the Danube Protection Convention

- ⇒ Strengthen international cooperation
- ⇒ Ensure sustainable water management (conservation, rational use of surface waters and ground water)
- ⇒ Control floods
- ⇒ Reduce pollution loads to the Black Sea

Current priority implementation of EU Water Framework Directive



Contracting Parties



Germany



Austria



Czech Republic



Slovakia



Hungary



Slovenia



Croatia



Bosnia & Herzegovina



Serbia



Montenegro



Romania



Bulgaria



Rep. of Moldova



Ukraine



European Union

Observers to the ICPDR









Black Sea Commission











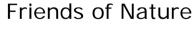














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Die Donau -

Tourism

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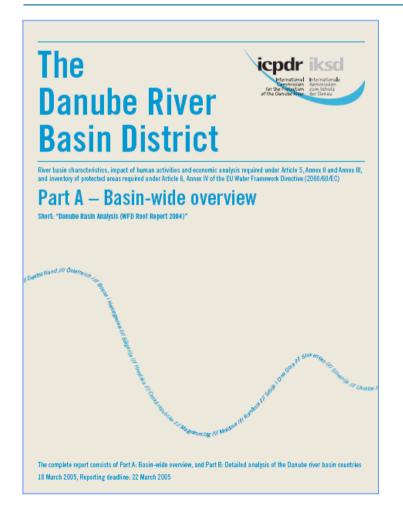


VGB Power Tech



Danube Basin Analysis 2004



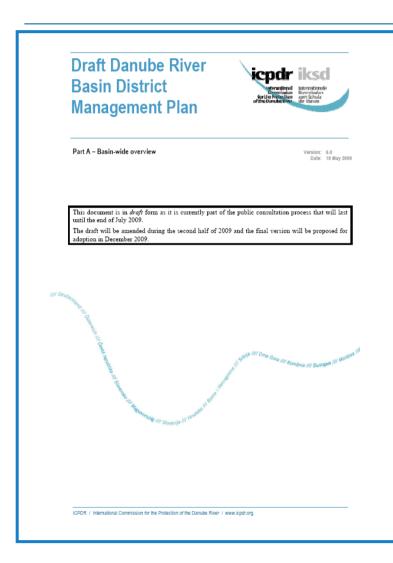


- ⇒ First comprehensive analysis of the entireDanube River Basin
- ⇒ Basis for any future river basin management planning

DRBM Plan

Basis





- ⇒ Overall plan for the integrated management of the Danube River Basin
- ⇒ Subject of discussion

Significant Water Mangement Issues





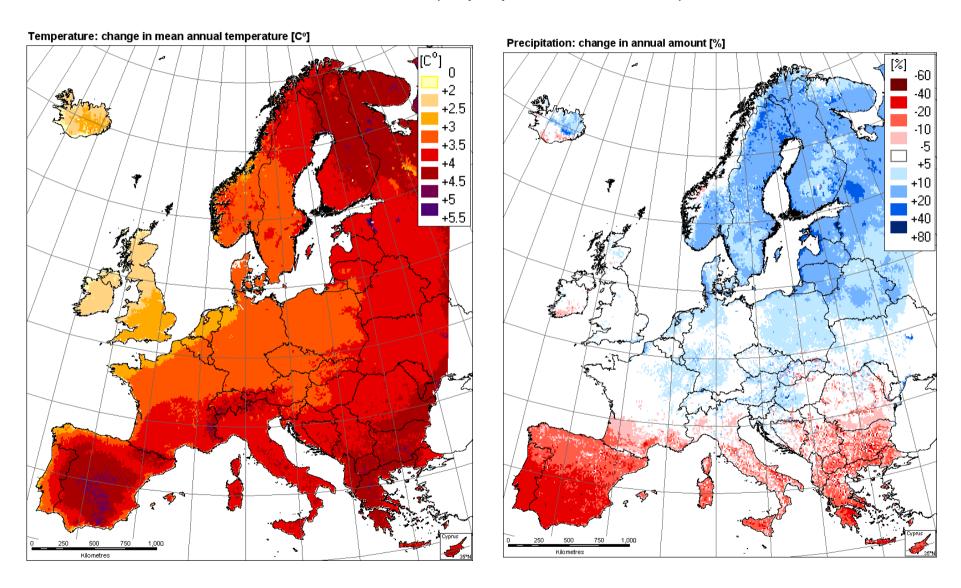






⇒ Plus: Transboundary GW bodies of basin-wide importance

Figures are based on IPCC SRES scenario A2. The projected climate impacts are estimated for 2071-2100 relative to 1961-1990. The maps are based on DMI/PRUDENCE data (http://prudence.dmi.dk)



What we hope to achieve



- Presentation of information:
 draft Danube River Basin Management Plan
- Collect comments on assessment and the conclusions of draft DRBMP
- Collect comments on the "Joint Programme of Measures"

Draft DRBMP Questionnaire



- Element of the public consultation process on the draft DRBM Plan
- Information spread through ICPDR network, publications, email list
- 17 responses so far
- What can be done to improve the feedback?

⇒ www.icpdr.org/participate

Follow-up to the Forum



- Report of the 2nd Stakeholder Forum
- Providing Forum Report (including all inputs, feedback, etc.) to the respective international and national experts for evaluation
- Including relevant input in the final River Basin Management Plan (→ adoption in DEC 09, political support by the Danube Ministers, FEB 10)
- Providing feedback on incorporated / non incorporated comments

YOUR STAKE COUNTS - PARTICIPATE!

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