

## Danube Drought Conference

A conference on challenges in drought management in the Danube region

7-8 May 2019

TUtheSky; Getreidemarkt 9, 1060 Wien (11<sup>th</sup> floor)

### Tuesday, 7 May 2019

#### Session 1: OPENING and setting the scene

Time	Topic	Speaker
9:00 – 9:30	<b>Welcome addresses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wolfgang Wagner, Head of Department of Geodesy and Geoinformation, Tu Wien</li> <li>• Margit Mischkulnig, Head of the Space Section at Federal Ministry of Transport, Innovation and Technology, Austria</li> <li>• Konstantin Ivanov, Regional Coordinator of the Global Water Partnership Central and Eastern Europe</li> <li>• Klemen Bergant, Director of Meteorology and Hydrology Office, Slovenian Environment Agency</li> </ul>	
9:30 - 9:50	What else needs to be said on Climate change and Drought: Future challenges	Klemen Bergant, Director of Meteorology and Hydrology Office, Slovenian Environment Agency
9:50– 10:10	The path to better drought management in the Danube Region and presentation of the agenda	Andreja Susnik, DriDanube Lead Partner, Slovenian Environment Agency

#### Session 2: Battling drought - what have we learnt?

	Topics	Speaker
10:10 – 10:25	Drought Watch – an online service for drought monitoring in the Danube Region	SPACE-SI, EODC, TU Wien
10:25 – 10:40	Slovak National Drought Action Plan	Richard Muller, Slovak Environment Agency
10:40 – 10:55	New approaches and changes in drought management	Joris Bouve, Crisis Center of the Government of Flanders
10:55 - 11:25	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11:25 – 11:40	Experiences with droughts in Alpine region	Ernst Ueberreiter, Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism, Austria
11:40 – 12:00	Level of preparedness for droughts <i>Open discussion with presenters and participants</i>	<i>Facilitator:</i> Wolfgang Wagner, TU Wien

### Session 3: Drought risk and cross-sectoral impacts

	Topics	Speaker
12:00 – 12:15	Drought impact inventories: experiences and trends	Kerstin Stahl, University of Freiburg
12:15 – 12:30	National reporting networks for agriculture sector	Monika Blahova, CzechGlobe
12:30 – 12:45	DriDanube Drought risk assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zita Bihari, Hungarian Meteorological Service</li> <li>• Zorica Srdjevic, University of Novi Sad</li> <li>• Gregor Gregoric, Slovenian Environment Agency</li> </ul>
12:45 – 13:00	Questions & Answers	
13:00 – 14:15	Lunch	
14:15 – 15:00	<p><b>How drought is addressed in different sectors?</b> <i>Panel discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kling Walter, International Association of Water supply companies in the Danube river catchment area</li> <li>• Peter Kajner, WWF Danube-Carpathian</li> <li>• Gert-Jan Muilerman, viadonau</li> <li>• Csilla Tanczne Ovari, Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary</li> <li>• Tareq Emtairah, United Nations Industrial Development Organisation</li> </ul> <p><i>Facilitator: Helene Masliah-Gilkarov, ICPDR</i></p>	

### Session 4: From preparing drought data to communicating drought

	Topics
15:00 – 15:30	Introduction to MARKETPLACE: Existing Drought platforms and Youth poster session “New perspectives on drought”
15:30 – 15:50	Coffee Break and start of the MARKETPLACE
15:50 – 16:20	MARKETPLACE continues
16:20 – 17:30	Communicating Drought - going beyond stereotypes
17:30 – 17:45	Sum-up of the day
17:45 – 18:15	Press conference
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner

**Wednesday, 8 May 2019**

**Session 5: Strategic planning for drought**

	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
9:00 – 9:20	Drought risk management in the US	Roger Pulwarty, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
9:20 – 9:35	DriDanube strategy	Andreja Moderc, Slovenian Environment Agency
09:35 – 10:30	<p><b>Strategic planning and future plans for drought mitigation</b> <i>Panel discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laszlo Balatonyi, EU Strategy for Danube Region, Priority Area 5</li> <li>• Edith Hoedl, International Commission for the Protection of the Danube region</li> <li>• Raimund Mair, World Bank</li> <li>• Bob Stefanski, World Meteorological Organization</li> </ul> <p><i>Facilitator: Roger Pulwarty, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration</i></p>	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 11:15	Economic case: benefit of action / cost of inaction	Frederik Pischke, Global Water Partnership/World Meteorological Organization
11:15 – 11:25	Insurance perspective on drought	Johann Fank, Die Osterreichische Hagelversicherung
11:25 – 11:40	Contribution to Integrated Water Resource Management (including droughts) with Danube Transnational Programme funded projects	Csomor Gusztav, Danube Transnational Programme
11:40 – 12:00	Discussion/ Questions & Answers	
12:00 – 12:45	<p><b>Drought management capacity in the region</b> <i>Policy level round table</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aniko Juhasz, Deputy Secretary at the Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary;</li> <li>• Marija Culinovic Holjevac, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Environment and Energy Croatia (TBC),</li> <li>• Rada Craciun, Director of the Cabinet of Minister of Environment, Romania</li> <li>• Gordana Rokvic, Advisor to Minister, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management Republic of Srpska</li> <li>• Richard Muller, Director of Slovak Environmental Agency</li> <li>• Klemen Bergant, Director of Meteorology and Hydrology Office, Slovenian Environmental Agency</li> </ul> <p><i>Facilitator: Elena Mateescu, Director General of National Meteorological Administration, Romania</i></p>	
12:45 – 13:00	Final remarks, conclusions from all sessions and way forward	Andreja Susnik, Slovenian Environment Agency