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COOPERATION WITH EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION

Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention
Cooperation EUSDR-CC

The report from the European Commission (EC) concerning the governance of macro–regional strategies as well as the EC report on the European Union Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR), have identified among various issues the need for strengthening synergies with existing bodies and initiatives.
Expert Workshop: Macro-regional strategies and mountain dimension
Brussels, 25th November 2015
CC Cooperation with the EUSDR

• Need for collaboration on issues and challenges affecting both the Carpathian area and the Danube region
• Positive impact of strengthened cooperation/networks on the implementation of the objectives set up by the Carpathian Convention and the EUSDR
• Adequate platform to enhance the participation of relevant stakeholders in strategic projects
• Possibility of strengthening the cross-sectoral cooperation
Mechanisms for Collaboration

- **Strengthening networks** ➔ creation of a mutually supportive network of governmental, regional, local but also private, academic and non-governmental sectors and stakeholders (National Coordinators / Focal Points, PA Steering / Working Group members, key stakeholders...)

- **Closer coordination** ➔ regular information exchange (key documents, participation in meetings)

- **Contribution to alignment of funding** ➔ support to measures and actions of joint interest

- **Danube – Carpathian projects** ➔ enhancement of project ideas development and set up of different project consortia

- **Cross-sectoral cooperation** ➔ facilitation of cross-sectoral cooperation through the Convention
Signed Memorandum of Cooperation with EUSDR

- MoC with EUSDR PA1b “Mobility I Rail-Road-Air”, June 2016
- Moc with EUSDR PA04 “Water Quality”, August 2016
- MoC with EUSDR PA02 “Energy”, November 2016
- MoC with EUSDR PA05 “Environmental Risks”, agreed to be signed
Implementation of the Memoranda
Implementation of the Memorandum with EUSDR PA2

→ Workshop on balancing bioenergy production and sustainable forest management in mountain areas

Organised by EUSDR, Priority Area 2 in cooperation with the Carpathian Convention back-to-back with 6th Meeting of the Carpathian Convention Working Group on Sustainable Forest Management

17/05/2017, Sopron, Hungary
Workshop focused on concerns and recommendations on how to achieve a socially and environmentally sustainable climate and energy policy associated with bioenergy production in mountain areas of the Danube/Carpathian Region and opening the debate about increasing demand for bioenergy production and the question on how this demand can be met sustainably.
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Thank you for your attention!

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