

## EU Strategy for the Danube Region and Republic of Moldova: the State of Implementation, Challenges and Opportunities

### PARTICIPATION DAY

#### Draft Agenda

22 September 2016

Venue: Chisinau, 31 August 1989 str., nr. 98 (Writers Union of Moldova).

9.00-9.30	<b>Registration of participants and snacks</b>
9.30-10.00	<p><b>OPENING</b></p> <p><b>Violeta Ivanov</b>, Chair, Standing Commission of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova on Public Governance, Regional Development, the Environment and Climate Change</p> <p><b>Anatol Usatii</b>, EUSDR National Coordinator, vice-minister, Ministry of Regional Development and Constructions</p> <p><b>The European Union Delegation to Moldova</b> (TBD)</p> <p><b>Daniela Urschitz</b>, EU-Danube Region Strategy/PA 10 Cooperation and Capacity Building, Vienna City Hall</p> <p><b>Stefan August Lütgenau</b>, Director of Foster Europe, Foundation for Strong European Regions; President of the Danube Civil Society Forum</p> <p><b>Gerhard Schaumberger</b>, Head of the Coordination Office for Technical Cooperation, Austrian Development Agency.</p>
10.00-10.40	<p><b>SESSION I: EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION – A UNITED RESPONSE TO COMMON</b></p> <p><b>Moderator Stefan August Lütgenau</b>, President of the Danube Civil Society Forum</p> <p><b>Key notes:</b></p> <p><b>Georg Reibmayr</b>, Attaché for Social Affairs at the Austrian Embassy in Chisinau</p> <p><b>Roland Hanak</b>, Priority Coordinator of Priority Area 9,</p> <p><b>Ecaterina Mardarovici</b>, president of the AGAPEDIA Moldova</p> <p><b>Stefan August Lütgenau</b>, President of the Danube Civil Society Forum</p> <p>Participation of Civil Society in the EUSDR</p>

10.40-11.10	<b>DISCUSSION</b>
11.10-11.25	<b>Tea/coffee break</b>
11.25-12.05	<p><b>SESSION II: THE STATE OF IMPLEMENTATION, CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF EUSDR IN MOLDOVA</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Valentin Ciubotaru</b>, Executive Director, NGO BIOS</p> <p><b>Presentations:</b></p> <p><b>Oxana Paierale</b>, Head of International Relations and Investment Attraction of Ministry of Regional Development and Constructions</p> <p><i>The State of Implementation, Challenges and Opportunities of EUSDR implementation in the Republic of Moldova</i></p> <p>National Coordinator of Priority Area 9, Ministry of Education/ Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family of Moldova (TBD).</p> <p><i>Challenges and Opportunities in framework of Priority Areas 9.</i></p> <p><b>Walter Reiter</b>, L&amp;R Sozialforschung</p> <p><b>Alexandru Ambros</b>, Mayor of Ungheni City,</p> <p><i>Activities implemented in Ungheni City due to EUSDR</i></p>
12.05-12.35	<b>DISCUSSION</b>
12.35-13.05	<p><b>SESSION III: PARTICIPATION AND ACTIONS FOR ENHANCING THE DANUBE STRATEGY PROCESS IN MOLDOVA</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Elena Bivol</b>, Training Coordinator, NGO BIOS</p> <p><b>Presentations:</b></p> <p><b>Angela Chicu</b>, President of BPW Moldova</p> <p><i>Experience of of the network for business women in the Danube countries in framework of EUSDR</i></p> <p><b>Elena Zubcov</b>, Head of Laboratory of Hydrobiology and Ecotoxicology of Institute of Zoology, Academy of Sciences of Moldova,</p> <p><i>Transboundary cooperation and knowledge transfer – ecological monitoring of aquatic ecosystems in Lower Danube Region</i></p> <p><b>Igor Studennikov</b>, Executive Director, Centre for Regional Studies, Ukraine.</p> <p>Experience in fostering Ukraine's involvement in the implementation of the EUSDR</p>
13.05-13.35	<b>DISCUSSION</b>
13.35-14.00	<b>EVALUATION AND CONCLUSIONS</b>
14.00	<b>LUNCH</b>