Regional and Transport Development in the Danube-Black Sea Region towards a Transnational Multiport Gateway Region
Main challenge

Fast growing economy

New Markets
Main challenge

potential to become a very important gateway for sustainable and environmentally-friendly waterway freight transport between Central Europe, the Caspian region and the Far East

current level of infrastructure development and logistics performance is not sufficient to take over the envisaged global role and rising transport demands
Main challenge

→ growing cargo flows on these routes will only result with raising of road transport figures
→ which will restrain economic development again and
→ have negative effects on the regions
Main objective

DBS Gateway Region

preparation and promotion of the Danube-Black Sea region as the gateway for sustainable and environmentally-friendly freight transport between Central Europe and the Black Sea, the Caspian region and the Far East
DBS Gateway Region

Black Sea ports as entry points
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Danube as backbone

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- Danube ports as intermodal nodes
- Danube as backbone
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DBS Gateway Region

Connectivity with the ports’ hinterland

Danube as backbone

Danube ports as intermodal nodes

Black Sea ports as entry points
What do we need to get there?

- Exchange of information, ideas, capacity building etc.
- Joint voice for joint interests
- Better inter-connectivity throughout the whole transport chain (inter-modality to the last mile)

How are we going to achieve this?

Cooperation of all relevant stakeholders
DBS Gateway Region

ports and cities/regions (hinterland connection)

Danube and Black Sea ports (new services)

business agencies, port authorities, logistics associations, universities...

cities/regions and ministries (strategies and policies)
Cooperation Network

Basis of Cooperation

well-informed  well-prepared
well-focused  well-supported
### DBS Gateway Region

**Roadmap/Action Plans**
- Potential Analysis
- Projects for implementation
- Funding Guidelines
- Joint Vision
- Joint Cooperation Strategy
- Operative Cooperation Platform

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Part I: Status quo (Capitalisation)

- Data and statistics
- Cargo types and flows
- Stakeholder analysis
- Previous studies
- Transport network (rail, road, and waterway)
- Port infrastructure
Part II: Future potential (stakeholder involvement)

9 regional workshops in 7 DBS countries:

- Austria
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Hungary
- Romania
- Serbia
- Slovakia
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Mission Statement

DBS – Joint Vision

- **Strengthening Gateway Region**
  - Using the strength of a joint voice and international visibility

- **Strengthening Regions**
  - Expanding the ports’ catchment area

- **Strengthening Ports**
  - Widening port functionalities
Fields of intervention

DBS – Joint Vision

Strengthening Ports
Widening port functionalities

Strengthening Gateway Region
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Organisation/Cooperation
Marketing
Legal Framework
Infrastructure
Innovation/Technology
Business development
Services
DBS Gateway Region

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**DBS – Roadmap**

### Infrastructure
- High-quality accessibility
- Comprehensive accessibility (last mile)
- Reliable accessibility (parallel routes, navigability)
- Intermodal hub (infra.)

### Services
- Intermodal hub (service)
- Logistic centre
- Storage facilities
- Special services

### Organisation/Cooperation
- Shared information (capacities, interlinks, RIS)
- Joint service offers (one-stop-shop, emergency services)
- Joint planning
- Coop. btw. Stakeholders in DBS region

### Marketing
- Clear international visibility
  - Offers
  - Ecological responsibility
  - Economic advantage
  - brand
- Awareness rising (shipping, environment)

### Legal Framework
- Transnational harmonisation
  - eco-friendly Incentives (modernising vessels, using IWT)
- Acceptable costs for shipping (subsidies)

### Innovation/Technology
- Innovation in services (ICT,...)
- Implement. of new technology
- New fields of research

### Business Development
- Business park at port
- Economic policies for Danube-affine companies
- Settlement support

**Interreg**
Danube Transnational Programme
**DBS Gateway Regio**
**Roadmap** towards the DBS Gateway Region:

- **Comprehensive list of recommended measures**
- **Regional Action Plans** for each participating region
- **Cooperation Action Plan** for the whole DBS Gateway Region
### DBS Gateway Region

#### Roadmap/Action Plans

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Operative Cooperation Platform
DBS – Cooperation Platform

Potential Analysis

WP3

Joint Vision 2040

Measures drawn from existing Plans / Strategies

Measures drawn from other projects in the region

Roadmap (incl. Regional/Cooperation Action Plans)

Joint Cooperation Strategy

WP6

Operative institutional framework

Projects for implementation

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WP5

WP4
Thank you for your attention!

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