

Programme of the DRAVA RIVER BASIN PROJECT Final Conference

**8 June 2006
09.00 to 13.30 hrs**

Hotel "Arcotel", Branimirova 29, HR-10000 Zagreb, Croatia

09:00 until 11:00

Round Table (closed meeting)

Drava River Basin Project - Experiences and Outlook

Internal expert meeting with officials representing ministries, regional and local authorities, the DRBP project team and other stakeholders aimed at discussing project experiences and results as well as defining possible follow-up activities.

Moderation: Mr. MR Dr. Gerhard BURIAN (Speaker of the DRBP Transnational Steering Committee on behalf of the DRBP funding partners).

Topics will include:

- project experiences and results;
- follow-up activities and future implementation;
- Croatian convergence to the EU and funding possibilities;
- financing possibilities incl. public private partnerships (PPP).

Expected participants:

- Representatives of the Austrian funding partners - Ministry of Economy and Labour, Styrian Regional Government, and Carinthian Regional Government;
- Representatives of the ARGE DRBP Lead Partner consortium;
- Representative of the Hungarian project partner,
- Representative of the Delegation of the European Commission in Croatia;
- Representative of the EU INTERREG III B CADSES Programme;

- Representative of the Croatian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration;
- Representative of the Croatian Ministry of Environmental Protection, Physical Planning and Construction;
- Representative of the Croatian Ministry of Sea, Tourism, Transport and Development;
- Representative of the Croatian Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, or Hrvatske vode;
- Representatives of the Croatian regions (“*županije*”);
- Representative of the DRBP waste management pilot project municipality;
- Representatives of the two DRBP waste water management pilot project municipalities;
- Representative of the Croatian Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund;
- Representative of the Austrian Foreign Trade Office in Croatia;
- Representative of the World Bank;
- Representative of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development;
- Representative of the Hypo-Alpe-Adria Bank.

11:00 until 11:30 **Coffee break**

11:30 until 13:30 **Presentation Round**

- DRBP achievements - “Systematic Guideline”
- Waste Management Pilot Project
- Waste Water Management Pilot Projects
(all by Lead Partner Consortium ARGE DRBP)
- INTERREG Programme Experiences and Perspectives in Croatia (INTERREG coordination body of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration / Ministry of Sea, Tourism, Transport and Development)
- Financing Possibilities for Infrastructure Projects (Hypo-Alpe-Adria Bank)
- Discussion and conclusions;
- Outlook on future strategies and project implementations.

13:30 until 15:00 Lunch in the hotel restaurant.