

Round table 3: International cooperation: twinning and peer-to-peer exchanges, neighbourhood area, transboundary waters

International/transboundary cooperation in the Danube River Basin context – Romanian experience

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Romania has bilateral agreements with neighbouring countries and based on this agreements, working meetings are being organized, where among different issues discussed, subjects as Water Framework Directive and Floods Directive implementing process are being tackled.

Romania is involved in international cooperation within the Danube River Basin. The Romanian experts are active in the experts and tasks groups of ICPDR (for example the River Basin Management Expert Group, the Flood Protection Expert Group) and are contributing to the Danube River Basin Management Plan and the Danube Flood Risk Management Plan.

Romania is involved in the following on-going projects under the umbrella of the ICPDR (with approval of all Danubian Countries): Danube Floodplain project - Reducing the flood risk through floodplain restoration along the Danube River and tributaries (Romania is leading the consortium of 13 project partners) ; JOINTISZA project- Strengthening cooperation between river basin management planning and flood risk prevention to enhance the status of waters of the Tisza River Basin –(Hungary is leading the consortium of 11 project partners); Danube Sediment project - Danube Sediment Management - Restoration of the Sediment Balance in the Danube River (Hungary is leading the consortium of 14 project partners).