



PRESS RELEASE

The Danube Commission (DC), under the presidency of the Representative of the Republic of Croatia to the Danube Commission, Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Croatia, H.E. Mr. Gordan Grlić Radman (President of the DC), held its 93rd session on 13th December 2019 at the premises of the Danube Commission in Budapest.

The delegations of all eleven Member States of the Danube Commission (Republic of Austria, Federal Republic of Germany, Republic of Bulgaria, Republic of Croatia, Hungary, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Republic of Serbia, Slovak Republic, Ukraine) and the representatives of the Observer States (Greece and Czech Republic) took part at the session's work. The session was attended by the representatives of international organizations – observers in the DC: International Sava River Basin Commission, Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine, European Commission, as well as by the representative of EDINNA association (Education in inland navigation) as an applicant for observer status.

The session was honoured by the presence of H.E. Mr. Péter Szijjártó, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary, who made an excellent contribution to the meeting.

The session considered matters arising from the reports on the results of the meetings of the expert groups, the technical working group and the legal and financial working group and adopted a number of Decisions in various fields of the DC's activities.

Thus, during the 93rd session, the Representatives of the Member States adopted the Decision regarding the legal framework governing the DC's participation in projects related to its sphere of activity (DC/SES 93/7), the Decision on signing of new grant agreement with the European Union (DC/SES 93/11), the Decision concerning the draft budget for 2020 (DC/SES 93/18), and the Decision on technical matters (DC/SES 93/23).

The session also looked at international cooperation. *Inter alia*, the initiative of the EDINNA association to participate in the DC's activities as an observer was heard and taken into account. The decision on this matter is due to be taken at the next sessions.

The 94th ordinary session of the DC will be held on 9th June 2020.