

Links between the objectives of the EUSDR and funding priorities identified for the Member States of the Danube Region in the Position of the Commission Services on the development of Partnership Agreement and programmes for the period 2014-2020

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| Priorities of the EUSDR | Matching funding priorities in the Country Position Papers (Examples) | Relevance of the funding priorities to the Country Position Papers of the Member States | | | | | | | | | |
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| A) CONNECTING THE DANUBE REGION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1) TO IMPROVE MOBILITY AND MULTIMODALITY | Inland waterway transport | Enhance multimodal transport and transport sector strategy | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Improve navigability and multimodal facilities on the Danube (for AT: Promote transfer of good practice) | | X | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Promote sustainable urban mobility | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Promote sustainable transport (not specifically urban) | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Promote good quality / availability of vocational and educational training (VET) | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Support the restoration of rivers / river basin management | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Enhance flood management | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | <i>Remove shipwrecks, bridges debris and unexploded weapons from riverbeds</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Rail, road and air transport | Enhance multimodal transport and transport sector strategy | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Develop a comprehensive, high quality and interoperable railway systems in particular through investing in the railway TEN-T | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Enhance regional mobility through connecting secondary and tertiary nodes to TEN-T infrastructure | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | Improve cross-border links, reduce time of border crossing | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | | Promote sustainable urban mobility | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | (Further) promote integrated urban development plans | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | | <i>Enhance cooperation between air traffic stakeholders</i> | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2) TO ENCOURAGE MORE SUSTAINABLE ENERGY | Increase energy efficiency of public and/or private buildings | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | (Further) promote integrated urban development plans | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| | Promote renewable energy | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Support the (further) development of smart energy distribution grids / energy storage solutions | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Enhance district heating systems | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| | Enhance national climate change adaptation strategy / risk management plans | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | <i>Develop and implement the North-South gas interconnection projects</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <i>To develop gas storage capacities</i> | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 3) TO PROMOTE CULTURE AND TOURISM, PEOPLE TO PEOPLE CONTACTS | Improve the (urban) environment by preserving and valorising cultural and historical heritage | | | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Foster 'Blue Growth' (marine tourism, blue energy, blue biotechnology, aquaculture) | X | | | X | | | X | X | X |
| | Develop (specific forms of) tourism | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Promote creative and cultural industries / creative services and designs | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Diversify economic activities in rural and/or coastal territories | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | (Further) promote integrated urban development plans | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Promote sustainable urban mobility | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote sustainable transport (not specifically urban) | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve cross-border links, reduce time of border crossing | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Enhance (specific) motorways and road safety | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Enhance multimodal transport and transport sector strategy | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve navigability and multimodal facilities on the Danube (for AT: Promote transfer of good practice) | | X | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote active and healthy ageing | X | X | X | X | X | X | | X | X |
| | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |

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| B) PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE DANUBE REGION | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4) TO RESTORE AND MAINTAIN THE QUALITY OF WATERS | Promote environmentally sound farming systems | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote sustainable forest management | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote sustainable aquacultures and fishing | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote sustainable management of marine resources and coastal zones | X | | | X | | | X | X | X |
| | Support measures to reduce soil erosion | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support measures to reduce soil sealing | X | X | X | | X | X | | X | |
| | Support the regeneration of contaminated sites, brownfields | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve water and waste water management | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support the restoration of rivers / river basin management | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve solid waste management | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Protect and restore biodiversity and natural landscapes | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Increase stakeholder and consumer awareness about sustainability and environmentally friendly products | | | X | | X | X | | X | |
| | Transpose and correctly apply Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) | | | X | X | X | | | X | |
| Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| 5) TO MANAGE ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS | Increase cross-border / transnational cooperation to manage risks | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Enhance national climate change adaptation strategy / risk management plans | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance disaster management / post disaster recovery | | X | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance flood management | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance resilience of infrastructure | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Enhance resilience of agriculture, forestry and aquaculture | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Reduce effects of drought | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Preserve local genetic resources / local crop varieties | X | | | X | | X | X | X | X |
| | Reduce forest fire risk | X | | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Reduce coastal erosion | X | | | X | | | X | X | X |
| | Increase resilience of local communities, exercising emergency response procedures | | | | | | X | | | |
| | Support the restoration of rivers / river basin management | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Transpose and correctly apply Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) | | | X | X | X | | | X | |
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| 6) TO PRESERVE BIODIVERSITY, LANDSCAPES AND THE QUALITY OF AIR AND SOILS | Promote environmentally sound farming systems | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote sustainable forest management | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote sustainable aquacultures and fishing | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote sustainable management of marine resources and coastal zones | X | | | X | | | X | X | X |
| | Improve / protect soil quality | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Support measures to reduce soil erosion | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support measures to reduce soil sealing | X | X | X | | X | X | | X | |
| | Support the regeneration of contaminated sites, brownfields | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve water and waste water management | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support the restoration of rivers / river basin management | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve solid waste management | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve / protect air quality | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Protect and restore biodiversity and natural landscapes | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Support the sustainable management of Natura 2000 and high value areas | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Increase stakeholder and consumer awareness about sustainability and environmentally friendly products | | | X | | X | X | | X | |
| | Transpose and correctly apply Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) | | | X | X | X | | | X | |
| Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |

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| C) BUILDING PROSPERITY IN THE DANUBE REGION | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7) TO DEVELOP THE KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY THROUGH RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve the quality, efficiency and capacity of tertiary education and strengthen research capacity | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote private business investment in research and development activities | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support knowledge transfer / the knowledge triangle, incubators, technology parks, clusters, etc | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Foster knowledge transfer, research and innovation in agriculture, forestry, aquaculture and rural areas | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance innovative use of eco-system services and eco-innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support Key Enabling Technologies (KET) | X | | X | X | X | X | X | | X |
| | Improve preparation and implementation of public procurements / public procurements for innovation | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Improve the management of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) | | | | | | | X | X | |
| | Stimulate investment in ICT | X | | X | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve ICT access in rural areas | X | X | X | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote e-commerce, and business-to- business (B2B) e-services | | | X | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Strengthen e-government and online public services | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve ICT training and certification | | X | X | | X | X | X | X | X |
| 8) TO SUPPORT THE COMPETITIVENESS OF ENTERPRISES, INCLUDING CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT | Reduce legal and/or administrative burden for SMEs | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Strengthening entrepreneurial potential through training and (advisory) services | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Forster internationalisation of businesses | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support knowledge transfer / the knowledge triangle, incubators, technology parks, clusters, etc | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support environmental management systems in industry and SMEs | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Improve access to finance for SMEs | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhancing business innovation and competitiveness in agriculture, forestry and aquaculture | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Diversify economic activities in rural and/or coastal territories | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance innovative use of eco-system services and eco-innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote creative and cultural industries / creative services and designs | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Foster 'Blue Growth' (marine tourism, blue energy, blue biotechnology, aquaculture) | X | | | X | | | X | X | X |
| | Develop (specific forms of) tourism | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Promote social entrepreneurship | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
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| 9) TO INVEST IN PEOPLE AND SKILLS | Promote sustainable integration of young people not in employment, education or training (NEET) into the labour market | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance adaptability of workers and participation in effective lifelong learning | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Promote the sustainable integration of low skilled workers | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Promote the sustainable Integration of marginalised communities and Roma | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote the sustainable integration of people with disabilities | X | X | X | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance the employment and income opportunities of long-term unemployed and integration of people at risk of poverty | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote active and healthy ageing | X | X | X | X | X | X | | X | X |
| | Promote equality between men and women and reconciliation between work and private life | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support parents with young children | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Foster diversification of employment in the agricultural and aquaculture sectors and rural areas and coastal | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Modernise and strengthen labour market institutions | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote self-employment, entrepreneurship and business creation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote good quality of early- childhood, primary and secondary education | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Promote equal access to early- childhood, primary and secondary education | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Increase access to early- childhood, primary and secondary education for migrants and Roma | X | X | X | | | X | X | X | X |
| | Increase access to early- childhood, primary and secondary education in disadvantaged areas / rural areas | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Implement comprehensive and consistent policies to reduce early school leaving (ESL) | X | X | X | | | X | X | X | |
| | Promote good quality / availability of vocational and educational training (VET) | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve the quality, efficiency and capacity of tertiary education and strengthen research capacity | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Enhance the relevance of higher education programmes to labour market needs | | | X | | X | X | X | X | |
| | Invest in (specific) education and training infrastructures | | X | X | | X | X | X | X | |
| | Promote active inclusion | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Invest in health and social infrastructure and services | | X | X | X | | X | X | X | X |
| | Reduce health inequalities | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve care services for children and the elderly | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support the transition from institutional care to community-based care services | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote social entrepreneurship | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Support the physical and economic regeneration of deprived urban areas. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Promote social inclusion, poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |

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| D) STRENGTHENING THE DANUBE REGION | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10) TO STEP UP INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY AND COOPERATION | Investment in institutional capacity and in the efficiency of public administrations and public services | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Foster the empowerment of civil society, non-governmental organisations, social partners, etc. | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Combat corruption, increase transparency | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Strengthen e-government and online public services | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Improve quality, efficiency and transparency of the judiciary system | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve preparation and implementation of public procurements / public procurements for innovation | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Improve the management of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) | | | | | | | X | X | |
| | Transpose and correctly apply Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) | | | X | X | X | | | X | |
| | (Further) promote integrated urban development plans | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Improve access to finance for SMEs | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| 11) TO WORK TOGETHER TO PROMOTE SECURITY AND TACKLE ORGANISED AND SERIOUS CRIME | Investment in institutional capacity and in the efficiency of public administrations and public services | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Foster the empowerment of civil society, non-governmental organisations, social partners, etc. | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Combat corruption, increase transparency | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Strengthen e-government and online public services | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Improve quality, efficiency and transparency of the judiciary system | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Improve cross-border links, reduce time of border crossing | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Build capacity in customs systems | | | | X | X | X | X | X | |
| | Address cross-border crime and security | | | | | X | | X | X | |
| | Increase stakeholder and consumer awareness about sustainability and environmentally friendly products | | | X | | X | X | | X | |
| | Enhance disaster management / post disaster recovery | | X | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Increase resilience of local communities, exercising emergency response procedures | | | | | | X | | | |
| | <i>Demining in the mine-suspected areas of the Danube area</i> | | | | | | | | | |