River Basin Management and Public Participation in Hungary

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Hungary

Contracting party to DRPC (1994)

Member of EU (since 2004)
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obliged to meet EU WFD on
• Danube basin
• national and
• other appropriate levels
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Levels of PP

- INFORMATION SUPPLY
- CONSULTATION
- ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT

shall be ensured
shall be encouraged

WFD Art. 14
• to ensure PP in RBMP and in the implementation of WFD,
• to assist national governments comply with their obligations in this regard
PP strategy of Hungary

considering

• Danube basin PP strategy
• EU guidance
• national and
• local characteristics
Levels of implementation

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national
4 sub-basins
17 planning units
42 sub-units
Since 2004 every year
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1st Danube level stakeholder meeting, Budapest
Consultation
Danube day, 2005
RBMP timing

December 2006 - Time table and work programme for RBMP
December 2007 - Overview of significant water management issues
December 2008 - Draft RBMP available
December 2009 - Publication of RBMP

followed by 6 months consultation
A Víz Keretirányelv 14. cikke és a 221/2004 (VII. 21.) Kormányrendelet 19.§-a szerinti társadalmi részvétel és konzultáció dokumentuma. Írásbeli vélemények küldhetők a Vízügyi Központ és Közgyűjtemények postacímére (1410 Budapest Pf. 56.), illetve elektronikus formában az vgt.ütemterv@ovf.hu címre 2007. június 30-ig beérkezőleg.

2006. december 22.
Tasks:

• Coordinate regional WMCs,
• Surveillance of RBM planning process,
• Approval final version of RMBP,
• Ensuring RBMP awareness in development plans
National Water Management Council

Composition:

- 40% state administration (ministries, national directorate of water and env.)
- 20% social sector (NGOs)
- 20% economy (water users, industry, agriculture)
- 20% professionals, academia,
Regional (sub-basin) Water Management Councils

Tasks: similar to NWMC’s but on regional level
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• To provide practical solutions to enhance active involvement in WFD implementation
• 15 members of the consortium including BUTE
• Major outcome: handbook
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The handbook helps to design the participation process.
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Thank you for your attention!

Getting everybody on board.