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Harmonisation of Missions in the Danube region

**29th PA7 Steering
Group Meeting**

**6 June 2025, Bratislava,
Slovakia**

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Basic information

Danube Region
Programme



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Duration

01.01.2024 - 30.06.2026

Programme priority

4. - A better cooperation governance in the Danube Region

Specific objective

4.2 - Increased institutional capacities for territorial and macro-regional governance



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Project consortium:

1. CVTI SR – LP (SK)
2. Slovak Organization for Research and Development Activities (SK)
3. Applied Research and Communications Fund (BG)
4. Ukrainian Institute for International Politics (UKR)
5. Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (RO)
6. Regional Agency for Socio – Economic Development – Banat Ltd (RS)
7. Public Institution for the Development of Međimurje County REDEA (HR)
8. Digital Innovation Hub Slovenia (SI)
9. LIR Evolution (BA)
10. Institute of modern technologies Montenegro (ME)
11. City of Košice (SK)



Existing cooperation/synergies

Associated Strategic Partners



REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA
Ministry of Education and Science



Memorandum of Understanding

- signed by 20 important stakeholders from 9 DR countries.
- able to join DR Advisory Groups and support project activities during its whole duration.

Projects



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„To harmonise the implementation of the European Missions on the Danube region level.“



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EU Missions

- Concrete solutions to our greatest challenges with results until 2030.
- A novelty of the Horizon Europe research and innovation programme for the years 2021-2027.
- Support Commission priorities (e.g. European Green Deal, Climate Adaptation Strategy).



The HARMONMISSIONS project, aims at two concrete areas of the EU Missions:

1. Adaptation to Climate Change

2. Cancer

3. Restore our Oceans and Waters

4. Climate - Neutral and Smart Cities

5. A Soil Deal for Europe

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„The interest of the project is to create channels for cooperation between partners in the areas of Missions 1 and 4. “

**Climate change cannot be tied to a specific country =
a need to cooperate to tackle climate change.**



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HOW?

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OBJECTIVES

1. Danube Region **Governance Model** for Climate-oriented EU Missions
2. Danube Region **Transnational Cooperation** for Climate oriented EU Missions
3. Danube Region **Interactions** for Climate-oriented EU Missions

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Specific objective 1:

Danube region governance model for Climate oriented EU Missions

„The project will introduce a new governance model for the European Missions based on the Danube region countries' specific needs to become an important element of the European Missions-oriented ecosystem.“

- The project will establish **Steering Committee** and **Advisory Groups** which will contribute to linking relevant actors from different levels oriented towards the climate-oriented areas of the EU Missions
- Regular meetings** (in-person and online) will also contribute to monitoring and learning about the state of play and developments in these mission areas.
- This model will contribute to increased **international cooperation** between the countries of the Danube region.
- These Steering Committee and Advisory Groups meetings will contribute to **the exchange of best practices** between project partners and stakeholders.
- The aim will be to involve **national institutions** from different levels in these bodies. This will contribute different perspectives on the themes of the two climate missions.

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Specific objective 1: Danube region governance model for Climate oriented EU Missions

Current Progress and Achievements

WP1 Project time plan

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	After End
WP1 Danube region governance model for Clima...						
A1.1 Forming and creation of the DR Stee...	D1.1.1					
	D1.1.2					
	D1.1.3					
A1.2 Organization regular meetings (sess...					D1.2.1	
					D1.2.2	
A1.3 Forming and creation of DR Advisory...	D1.3.1					
	D1.3.2					
	D1.3.3					
	D1.3.4					
A1.4 Organization regular meetings (sess...					D1.4.1	
					D1.4.2	
4.2.2	O1.1					
4.2.3					O1.2	

Specific objective 1: Danube region governance model for Climate oriented EU Missions

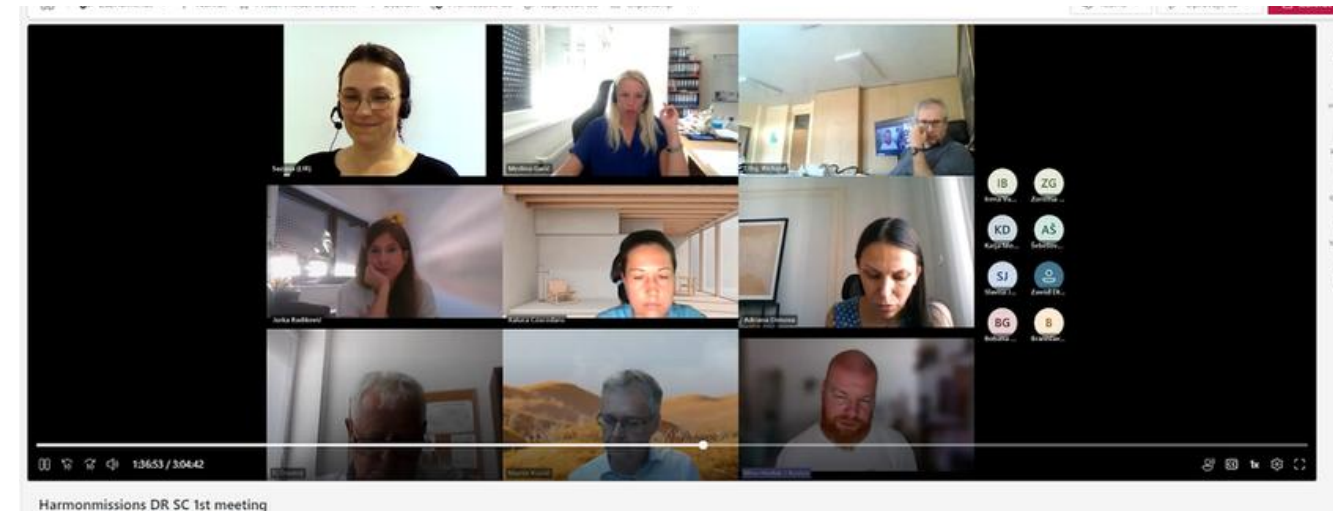
Current Progress and Achievements – 1st Period

- D.1.1.1 - Listed and nominated experts to the Steering Committee – **DONE**
- D.1.1.2 - Created DR Steering Committee for European Missions – **DONE**
- D.1.1.3 - Created Rules of Procedures for AG – **DONE**
- D.1.3.1 - Listing and nominating experts to the Advisory Groups - **DONE**
- D.1.3.2 - Created DR Advisory Groups for European Missions – **DONE**
- D.1.3.3 - Created Rules of Procedures for AG – **DONE**
- D.1.3.4 - Enhancing the cooperation between national and Local/Regional Public Authorities by signing the MoU (18) – **DONE**
- O 1.1 - Established expert international bodies to strengthen cooperation in the field of EU Climate-oriented missions - DONE**

Specific objective 1: Danube region governance model for Climate oriented EU Missions

Current Progress and Achievements – 2nd Period

- **Activity 1.2: Organisation regular meetings of the DR Steering Committee for European Missions** (3 meetings - 2x online, on-site).
- **Activity 1.4: Organisation regular meetings of the DR Advisory Groups** (3 meetings -2x online, on-site).



Specific objective 1: Danube region governance model for Climate oriented EU Missions

Main Focus for actual 3rd Period

- Continuation of **DR SC & AG (joint) meetings (March & May 2025)** coordination of the sessions with focus on EU Mission strategy development.
- **Enhancing the cooperation** between National and Local/Regional Public Authorities by signing the **MoU**.

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Specific objective 1: Danube region governance model for Climate oriented EU Missions

Main Focus for next Periods

◦ **“Strategy for Coordination of Involvement in EU Missions in the Danube region”.**

1. Introduction and context (scope and objectives)
2. Legal and other background Analysis
3. Strategy Vision
4. Goals: what we want to achieve
5. Priority areas for coordination (Mission 1 and Mission 4)
6. Mechanisms for coordination
7. Monitoring and Communication (KPI, Tools and Reports)
8. Conclusions and recommendations for Actions Plans



Specific Objective 2:

Danube region transnational cooperation for Climate oriented EU Missions

„The project will facilitate transnational cooperation between EU Missions' national and regional authorities to identify and share good practices and raise participation in the EU Missions in general.“

- **Three platforms** united **under 1 website** dedicated to EU Missions in the Danube Region will be established to share best practices in the Region on EU climate missions.
- The platforms will also offer the possibility to more efficiently and easily find partners in consortia for projects dedicated to areas 1 (Adaptation to Climate Change) and 4 (100 Climate-neutral Cities by 2030) of the EU Mission.
- Overall, the activities and outputs under Specific Objective 2 will thus contribute to the necessary international cooperation in the field of EU Climate Missions.

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Current Progress and Achievements

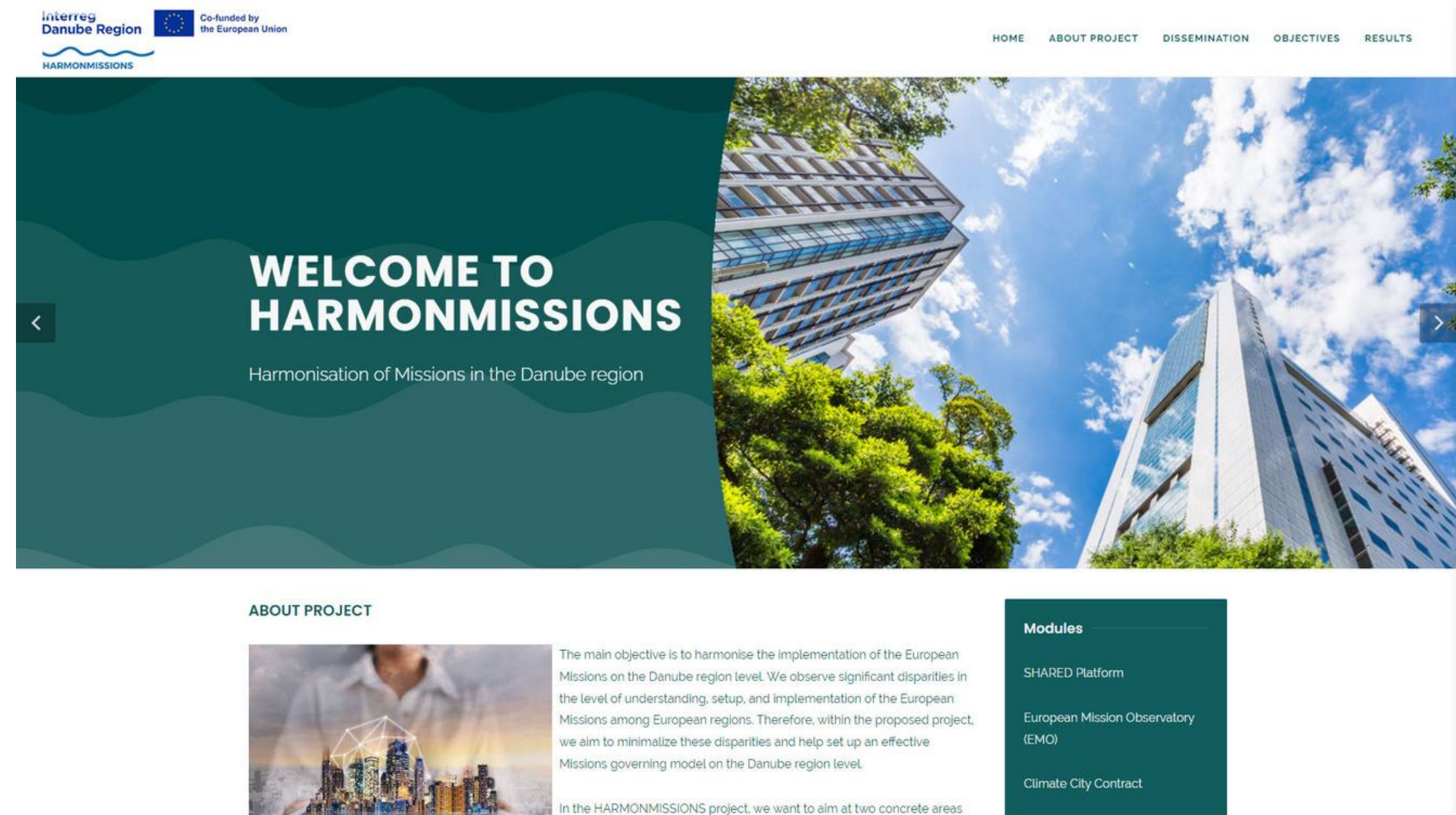
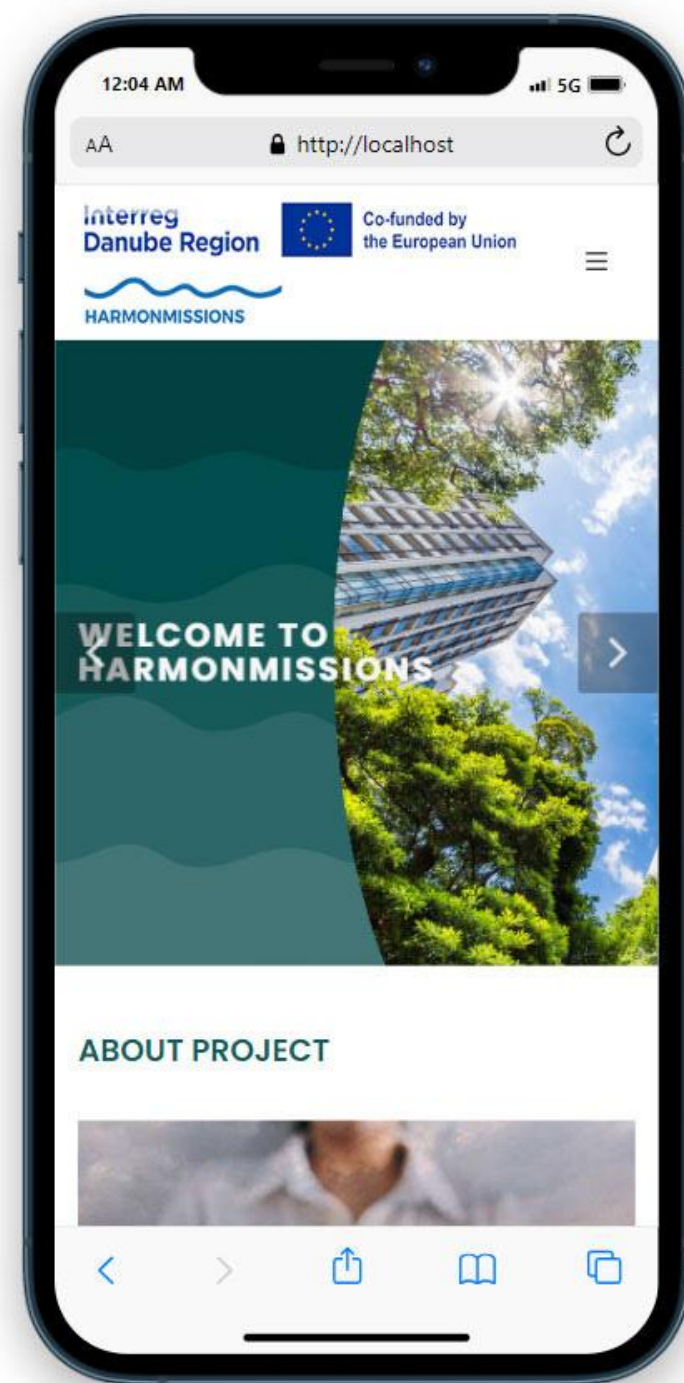
WP2 Project time plan

WP2 Danube region transnational cooperation ...					
A2.1 Creation and operation of a coordin...		D2.1.1		D2.1.2	
				D2.1.3	
A2.2 Establishment and operation of the ...		D2.2.1		D2.2.2	
		D2.2.3			
A2.3 Creation and operation of a coordin...		D2.3.1		D2.3.2	
A2.4 Creation and operation of the websi...		D2.4.1		D2.4.2	
4.2.1		O2.2			

Specific Objective 2: Danube region transnational cooperation for Climate oriented EU Missions

Current Progress and Achievements

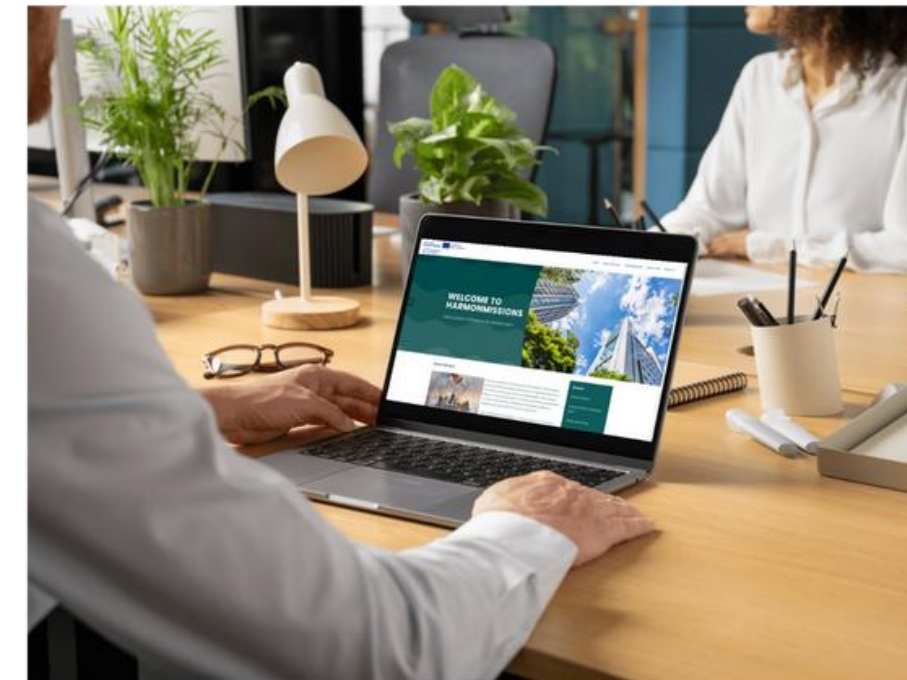
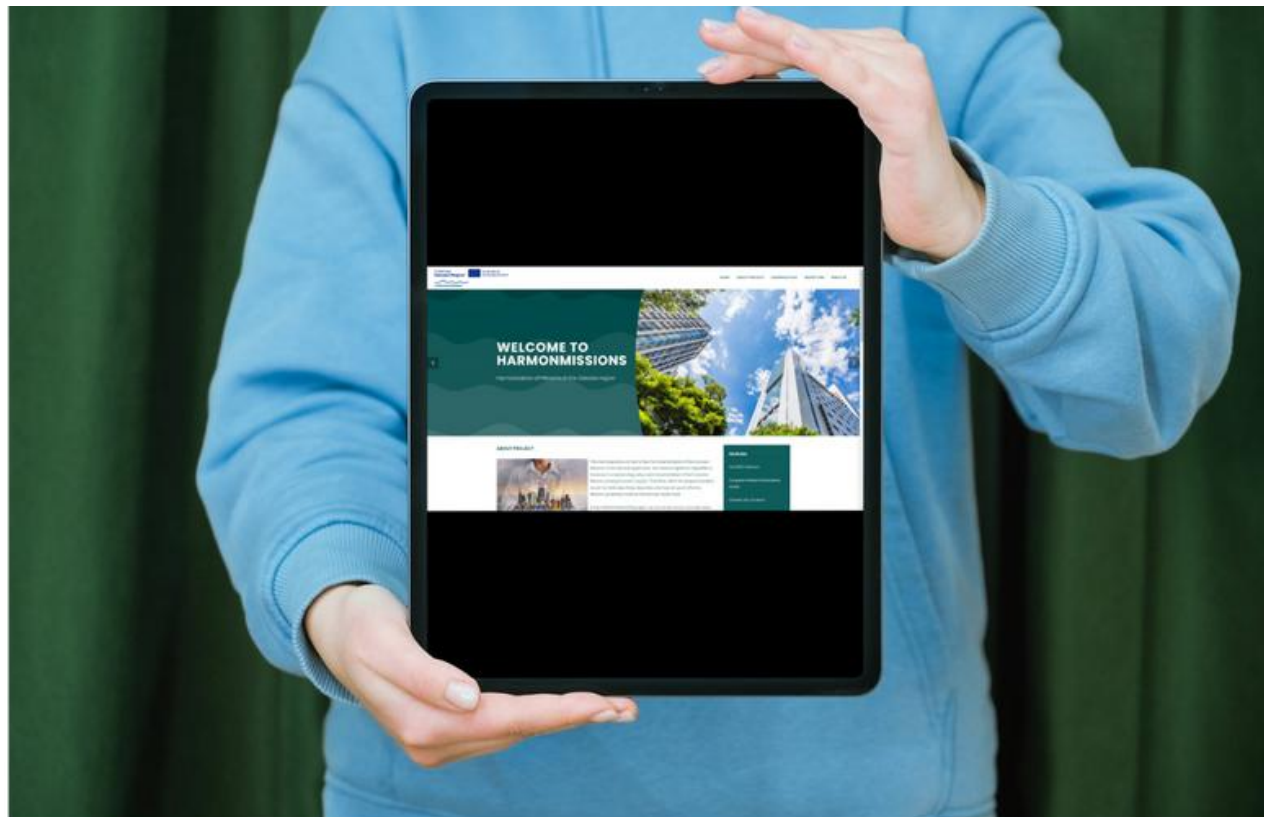
Visuals of the project website



Specific Objective 2: Danube region transnational cooperation for Climate oriented EU Missions

Current Progress and Achievements

- **Three platforms** united **under 1 website** dedicated to EU Missions in the Danube Region – **completed**



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SHARED PLATFORM

- **SHARED**

- A functioning platform for **sharing lessons learned and best practices** in the Climate EU Missions.
- Serving a broad community of stakeholders who might be interested in **sharing their experiences with EU Climate Missions**.
- Deliver the knowledge and best practices discussed during the DR Steering Committee meetings to the regional and national authorities of each partner country.
- **Connect projects and ideas** related to Climate EU Missions.
- **Collect info** about the relevant past and present projects dedicated to Climate oriented Missions.

PROJECT REPOSITORY

Explore the latest and most impactful projects tackling climate challenges in the Danube Region. Find projects by location, theme, or funding source.

EVENT CALENDAR

Stay up-to-date with workshops, webinars, and conferences supporting EU Climate Missions. Find and register for events to enhance your knowledge and network.

KNOWLEDGE BASE

Access an extensive library of resources, guidelines, and case studies for every stage of climate project planning and execution.

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- EMO – European Mission Observatory platform
 - An operational platform for **monitoring legislation, calls and events** about Climate EU Missions.
 - Continuously providing **up-to-date information on current EU Missions**, open project calls, events and relevant legislative changes.
 - Create **a space for DR participants** to form partnerships, engage in projects, share experiences, and raise awareness, enhancing their effectiveness and impact on EU Missions.
 - Providing the possibility to **find partners and engage in projects** related to EU Missions. The platform would bring together key actors from different fields.

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OPPORTUNITIES

PARTNER
SEARCH

EVENTS

BEST
PRACTICES

KNOWLEDGE
LIBRARY

POLICY
INFORMATION

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- CCC – Climate City Contract platform

- The functioning platform for publishing a handbooks for procedures of CCC.
- **Commitments, Actions, and Investments.**
- The advantage of the platform will be that **all information will be available in one place**. Therefore, it will raise awareness of the field and help overcome existing barriers in this area.
- The handbooks for interested stakeholders.



PAPERS AND DATA

The collection and compilation of data from internal (national, regional, local) documents, strategies and datasets is the starting point for describing the current state of the city/theme/idea/vision and in all climate-relevant sectors (Energy, Transport, Waste, Industrial processes, Agriculture, forestry and land use). We invite you to explore what types of documents, data, and information are good to have in place in the preliminary phase of CCC development.

PEOPLE AND PARTNERS

Ecosystem mapping, stakeholder engagement systems, stakeholder identification and validation process is an important part of the process of recognizing all potential partners in our territory. We need to include the public sector, private sector, educational institutions, non-profit sector, as well as residents in this ecosystem. It is these partners that will drive the transformation together with you. Come find out why creating an ecosystem with existing stakeholder groups and future partners and other potential stakeholders is important and how to communicate effectively. Tools and practices of behavioral change, participatory democracy and change management will be also mentioned as necessary frameworks for smoother transformational approaches and strategies towards individual citizens, organizations and other stakeholders.

MONEY AND RESOURCES

A common approach to developing a vision for the city's future - strategies, actions, investments, implementations, sharing successes and failures - is key to processing the CCC. Come see how financial and investment planning can be provided for the entire transformation process over the years with identified stakeholders and partners, selected owners and competencies, roadmaps created, evaluation processes and methods, and regular monitoring and review throughout the transformation.

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Awareness

„Aims to raise awareness of EU Missions, to inform the widest possible audience of stakeholders by communication and dissemination campaigns, to involve citizens in the Missions implementation.“

- Communication and dissemination (C&D) strategy for the climate-oriented EU missions.
- **Newsletters.**
- Missions' forum.
- Best practices brochure.
- **Brokerage events, training, and workshops for experts.**
- Recommendations on the efficient governance model for EU missions in the Danube Region.

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Current Progress and Achievements (1st Period)

- D.3.1.1 - Communication and Dissemination (C&D) strategy for the climate oriented EU missions - **DONE**
- D.3.2.1 - Analysis of the needs – **DONE**
- D.3.2.2 - Training and expert events plan – **DONE (live document)**

WP3 Danube region interactions for Climate o...					
A3.1 Citizen 's engagement and Missions-r...	D3.1.1	D3.1.2			D3.1.3
					D3.1.4
A3.2 Brokerage events, trainings, worksh...	D3.2.1				D3.2.3
	D3.2.2				D3.2.4
					D3.2.5
4.2.2					O3.1
					O3.2
					O3.3

Specific Objective 3: Danube region interactions for Climate oriented EU Missions

Current Progress and Achievements

- Analysis of the needs = Training and expert events plan.
- **WP 3** – Organization of first **training** and **workshop**, functional **Newsletter**.



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Main Focus for actual 3rd Period

- Organization of **training (2), workshops (2) and brokerage event.**

ONLINE WORKSHOP: **EU Missions for Climate Resilience and Smart Cities** /27.3.2025/



TRAINING (Bulgaria; in-person): **23.-24.4.2025**



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Main Focus for actual 3rd Period

EU Missions 1 & 4 - Brokerage event and workshop

11.6.-
13.6.2025

Ljubljana/Online



EU MISSIONS 1 & 4 - Brokerage event and workshop
11.6. - 13.6.2025
Ljubljana/Online

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EU Missions and Project Development Training

19.6-20.6.2025

Romania



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

EU Missions and Project Development Training

19-20 June 2025
Bucharest, Romania

On Climate Adaptation & Climate-Neutral Cities EU Missions

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Main Focus for next Periods

- Organization of **training** (2 on site & 3 online), **workshops** (2) and **brokerage event**.
- **Mission's Forum** (with collaborate of EUSDR PA7).



Project Results

◦RESULT 1: Linking international, national and regional level actors to cooperate more effectively on EU Missions calls

◦RESULT 2: HARMONMISSIONS online platforms

◦RESULT 3: Strengthening of institutional staff capacity

◦RESULT 4: Joint strategy for further progress

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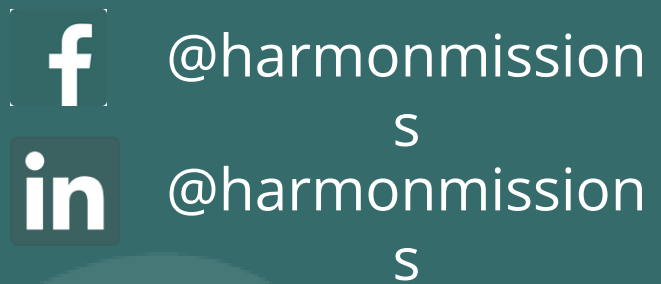


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