

# **Funding Coordination in the Danube Region**



- **Multilateral call – details later**
- **Potential for Danube related research in the new Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023/2024 - examples**
- **Better connecting DTP Programme projects to PA7**
- **Activities in the Member States**

- **Mission: Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030**

The objective of this Mission is to restore, protect and preserve the health of our ocean, seas and waters by 2030. The Mission is designed to deliver on the European Union's 2030 quantified and measurable targets for protecting and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity, for zero pollution, and for decarbonisation and net greenhouse gas emissions reduction towards climate-neutrality, within the EU's ocean, seas and waters.

**HORIZON-MISS-2023-OCEAN-01-02: Danube river basin lighthouse –  
Demonstration of effective and sustainable management of sediments in the  
Danube river-Black sea system**

The proposals should focus on the demonstration of sustainable and effective solutions for sediment management at river basin scale, including solutions for restoration of sediment balance and flow in the Danube river-Black sea system and measures to improve sediment quality. The demonstration activities should entail a holistic approach to sediment management, involving all relevant actors at a transnational/national scale and across relevant sectors, such as ICPDR103, relevant national authorities, riparian communities as well as concerned economic actors.

Budget: 17 Mio. Euros (2 projects)

Deadline for application: 20. Sept. 2023

**Best practise example for embedding EUSDR  
specific topics in Union Programmes**

- Mission: A Soil Deal for Europe

HORIZON-MISS-2023-SOIL-01-02: Soil pollution processes – modelling and inclusion in advanced digital decision-support tools

HORIZON-MISS-2023-SOIL-01-03: Onsite digital technologies to monitor nutrients and chemical or biological stressors in soil and plants with relevance for food safety and nutrition

HORIZON-MISS-2023-SOIL-01-05: Soil-friendly practices in horticulture, including alternative growing media

HORIZON-MISS-2023-SOIL-01-06: Soils in spatial planning

HORIZON-MISS-2023-SOIL-01-07: Back to earth: bringing communities and citizens closer to soil



Horizon Europe

- Widening Programme

How can we use the Widening Programme for the EUSDR collaboration

# Danube Region Programme 2021-2027

**A smarter  
Danube Region**

**A greener,  
low-carbon  
Danube Region**

**A more social  
Danube Region**

**A better cooperation  
governance in the  
Danube Region**

## Priority 1 OBJECTIVE 1.1

**Enhancing innovation  
and technology transfer  
in the Danube Region**

The Programme addresses actions developing and enhancing **research and innovation** capacities and the uptake of **advanced technologies**. These include actions complementing national and regional mainstream with **innovative** and **coordinated policy, planning** and **pilot tested led delivery**.



## Priority 1 OBJECTIVE 1.2

**Developing skills for  
smart specialisation, industrial  
transition and entrepreneurship**

The Programme supports actions advancing **smart specialisation** strategies, **industrial transformation** and transition towards **industry 4.0** in the Danube Region. The Programme also encourages actions increasing **cross-sectoral collaborations** and **smart networking** in business, science and infrastructure sectors.





# Danube Region Programme 2021-2027

1st Call Expression Interest  
More than 91 Mio. Euro budget  
Number of EoI received?

29 September 2022 till 21 November 2022

Now pre-selection of projects for the second phase

The application package has to be submitted by the pre-selected projects to the joint secretariat through Jems, estimated in spring 2023. In both steps an earlier submission of the documents is recommended. The estimated starting date of the projects is January 2024

**1) Once selected how can we connect selected projects to PA7?**

**2) Could we use the Danube Region Programme for submitting projects in the interest of PA7?  
Time frame for the second call?**





## Activities in the Member States

**Are there any activities in the Member Regions / Member countries of the EUSDR that are ready for scale-up or broadening them to further countries/regions along the Danube?**