

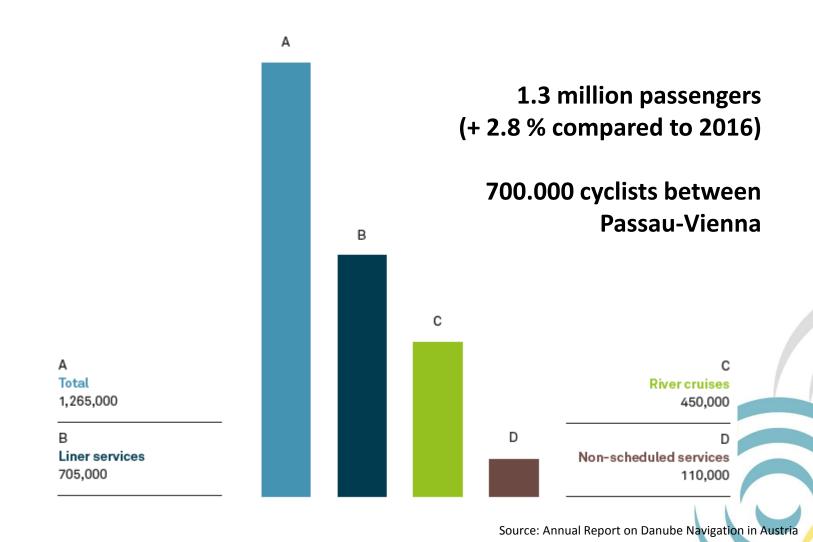
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Passengers on the Austrian Danube 2017





Potentials for passenger shipping along the Danube

- Danube offers many touristic highlights along its 2,415 navigable kilometres
- Ever increasing interest in daily cruises and several-day river cruises
- High expectations and demands of customers towards river cruises
 (e.g. available services, facilities on board and on shore, touristic programme)



A booming industry ...



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... that needs targeted measures

- To provide stable fairway conditions
 - sufficient fairway depth/width during low water season
 - and sufficient bridge clearance under high water conditions
- To reduce administrative barriers for navigation



Consequences of low water combined with insufficient waterway management...



22nd August 2018: Passenger vessels queuing in Vienna because navigational bottlenecks in Hungary could not be passed



10 riparian states / 10 states in charge of waterway maintenance

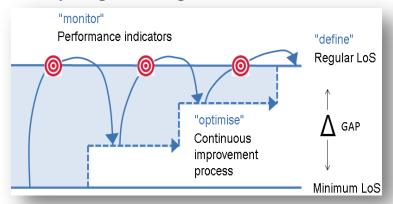
- 7 EU Member States/3 non-EU Member States
- Waterway rehabilitation and maintenance is and will remain a national responsibility
- Waterway users need stable fairway conditions and a continuous level of service
- The quality of the Danube corridor is as strong as its weakest link



Corridor approach in waterway maintenance is essential



... by agreeing on common levels and performance indicators



... by developing digital and electronic information services



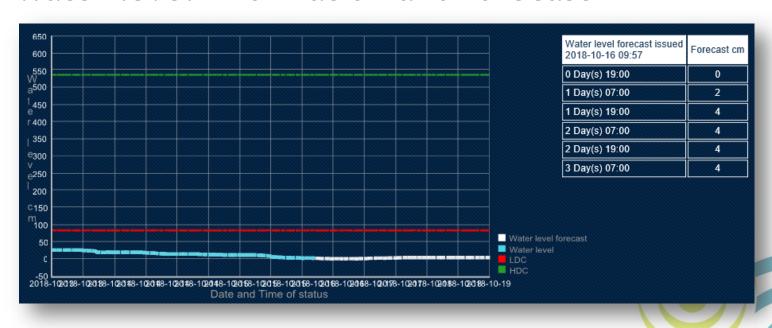


... by exchanging best practices in fairway maintenance and management



... by providing up-to-date fairway information for waterway users:

Water level information and forecast



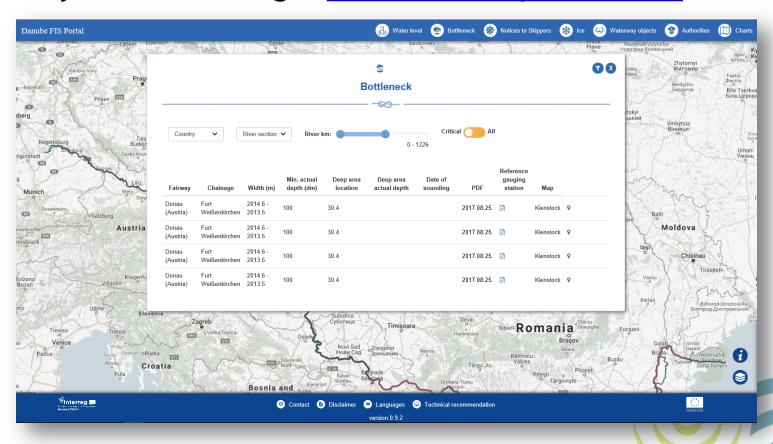


Shallow section information





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