Public Participation in RBM Planning

Experiences from the Danube River Basin

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Public participation: Why?
WFD & EFD: Public participation is required!

Art. 14 (WFD)
Art. 9 & 10 (EFD)
Beyond legal needs: Finding solutions faster

Unilateral Decision

Public Participation

Problem identified
Decision made
Gain from PP

Implementation
Objective: get the full spectrum of opinions
Public participation: How?

Part A: ICPDR
Part B: Countries, bi-lateral, sub-basin organisation
Part C: Management units within country (e.g. municipality)
Stakeholder Involvement: 23 Observers
Public participation through Expert Group
Public Participation for DRB management plans
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**Each step:** 6 months consultation period

Planned activities

• Collection & consideration of comments from all 3 consultation steps
• Questionnaires
• Low-level interactive tool
• Specific publications (print, film clip)
• Stakeholder consultation workshop
• Social media
• Use of existing public information tools
Get updates: Danube Watch
Thank you!

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