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SAVE THE DATE: River Basin Management in South-East Europe: the Danube, Drin/Drina and Sava River basins 16-18 September 2020 Venice, Italy and online



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Integrated water resources management involves many different issues and different stakeholders with conflicting and competing needs. This is particularly the case when it comes to transboundary river basins that cross physical and political boundaries.

The Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme (IHP) is the only intergovernmental programme of the UN system devoted to water. UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe seeks to promote sustainable transboundary water management practices in river basins in South-East Europe and has worked extensively in the Danube river basin as well as its tributaries the Sava River and Drin/Drina River basins.

In this context, the UNESCO Regional Bureau will be organizing a high-level regional symposium with key stakeholders from these 3 river basins, notably exploring and exchanging best practices on integrated river basin management and focusing on key issues of interest such as flood management and river basin pollution.

The symposium will be organized through a combination of on-site meetings (if possible) and online webinars, taking into account the COVID 19 situation. Further details on the organization of the meeting will be sent in due course.

Target Groups

- National authorities in the riparian states and regional river basin commissions
- IHP National Committees, UNESCO Water Chairs, UNESCO Water-related Category II Centers, universities and research centers
- Other key water management stakeholders in the region including UN agencies, NGOs and the private sector

Dates

- 16 September - evening: Welcoming session for on-site participants (if applicable)
- 17 September - all day: Different thematic webinar sessions in AM and PM
- 18 September - morning: Concluding session

Venue

UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe, Palazzo Zorzi, Venice, Italy

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