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Dear subscribers to the DRC Newsletter! An updated programme as well as further information for our Annual Meeting can be found on our website. If you haven't done so yet, please register using the form that can be found here. Addidtionally we would like to remind you to register seperatedly for the Keynote Speech of His Excellency the President of the Republic of Bulgaria.

Feedback and comments are welcome!

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Keynote Speech in the context of the Annual Conference of the Danube Rectors Conference 2016

His Excellency the President of the Republic of Bulgaria

Mr. Rosen Plevneliev

November 9, 2016, 5.30 p.m.

Danube University Krems, Audimax Dr.-Karl-Dorrek-Straße 30, 3500 Krems Austria

afterwards Joint-Reception

Please register until September 30, 2016 at info@drc-danube.org

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Kind regards,

Mag. Friedrich Faulhammer Rector Danube University Krems Vice-President DRC

2. Programme update: DRC Annual Meeting Krems 9.-11. November 2016

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The Annual Meeting with the title "Vision, Knowledge, Prosperity. The Universities' Contribution to Implementing the EUSDR – Good Practice and Challenges" will be held at the Danube University Krems 9.-11. November 2016. An updated programme is now available on our website. Please register and book your hotel room, since capacities are limited. Further information can be found on our <u>website</u>.

3. The 5thYoung Scholars Forum (YSF) on Central- and South East Europe

Due to the cancellation of some selected participants, there is an opportunity to participate in the 5th Young Scholars Forum with the title:

"Challenges and Opportunities of Migration in and from South East Europe"

Aims of the project:

- Promoting and encouraging young scholars to engage with Central and South East Europe;
- Presentation of research by young scholars to a wider public;
- Exchange among young and more advanced researchers on topics, methods, sources and results;
- Networking;
- Furthering mobility within the region;
- Publication of contributions and results;

Target group:

Max. 30 Young scholars working on Central and South East Europe in the fields of cultural studies, history, anthropology, media studies, political sciences, geography and sociology.

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Date and venue:

The symposium will take place December 01-03, 2016 in Vienna.

Programme:

- Presentation of research papers/projects by high level experts and young scholars;
- (Plenary) discussions;
- Social and cultural programme;

Applications:

Applications for participation may be submitted via e-mail by **September 30, 2016** and have to include a full academic CV and an abstract (max. 1 page) of the research paper that shall be presented and discussed at the symposium.

Language: English

Participation fee: € 100,-

Costs for travel expenses (up to €200), board & ac∞mmodation will be reimbursed by the IDM.

Further information and the CfA can be found here.

Please send applications to:

Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM)

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Academic coordinator: Vicerector Univ.-Prof. Dr. Heinz Faßmann, Applied Geography, Spatial Research and Spatial Planning at the Department of Geography and Spatial Research at the University of Vienna

4. Danube-INCO.Net Workshop

Date: 13. October 2016

<u>Venure:</u> Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management (BMLFUW), Stubenbastei 5, Festsaal, 1010 Vienna

The workshop has two distinctive objectives.

First, the paper on bioeconomy RTI strategies in the Danube Region and the results

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or the orinine-consultation will be presented.

Second, research proposals on Bioeconomy and corresponding funding possibilities will be discussed. Participants from the previous workshops developed proposals on Bioeconomy activities and research. You can discuss and network for the proposals handed in. Additionally, the workshop is open to new proposals and ideas. If you have a new idea please fill out the proposal fact sheet attached and send it to Elisabeth Denk (elisabeth.denk@boku.ac.at) until 30 September 2016.

COST was identified as one appropriate funding scheme for the proposals that have been handed in. A COST-Expert from the Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG) will present the program and its possibilities for the Danube region in more detail. The workshop provides the opportunity to participate in developing those ideas further and to build future cooperation and networks.

Participating at the workshop is free of charge and we can offer reimbursement of travel expenses. If you want to join the workshop in Vienna please fill out the application form attached and send it to weigl.oevaf@boku.ac.at by Friday, 30 September 2016.

Feel free to forward this invitation to interested bioeconomy experts within the Danube Region.

Contact for inquiries: Mr. Martin Weigl weigl.oevaf@boku.ac.at

5. New DRC Facebook Page



We are implementing a new Facebook page for the DRC. Please like us at the link below:



6. Save the date: 5th Annual Forum of the EUSDR

organised by the European Commission and the Slovak Republic on **3 and 4**November 2016 in the premises of the Slovak National Theatre in Bratislava.

The forum entitled "Innovative Flows - Water, Knowledge and Innovation in the Danube Region" will focus on water management and research and innovation in the Danube region. The participants will have the opportunity to discuss the results and future of the strategy. Workshops of the 5th Annual Forum will cover issues such as water management, knowledge society, governance of the S trategy or links to the EU funds. The forum will also feature the "Scientific Support to the Danube Strategy" by the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission.

More information can be found here.

7. EUA Affiliate Status and EUA Newsletter

We are continuously strengthening and expanding our network. Since November 2015, the DRC is affiliate member of the <u>European University Association</u>.

If you are interested in their news and activities, please follow the link.



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