



# **1st TECHNICAL COMMITTEE FOR WATERBORNE TRANSPORT AND MULTIMODALITY**

## **Presentation of the Action plan for Waterborne Transport and Multimodality**

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# TCT priorities



## ROADS OF THE FUTURE

- green and smart elements → electric charging stations
- innovative, low-emission transport operations
- safer infrastructure
- road safety → toward Vision Zero by 2050

## WATERBORNE TRANSPORT: BACKBONE OF MULTIMODALITY

- reliable, competitive and sustainable waterborne transport
- investments in inland waterways and maritime ports
- green recovery of the region



## REDUCED WAITING TIME AT BORDER CROSSINGS

- integrated/one-stop-go crossings
- border crossing points - symbols of good neighbourly relations

## RELIABLE AND MODERN RAIL

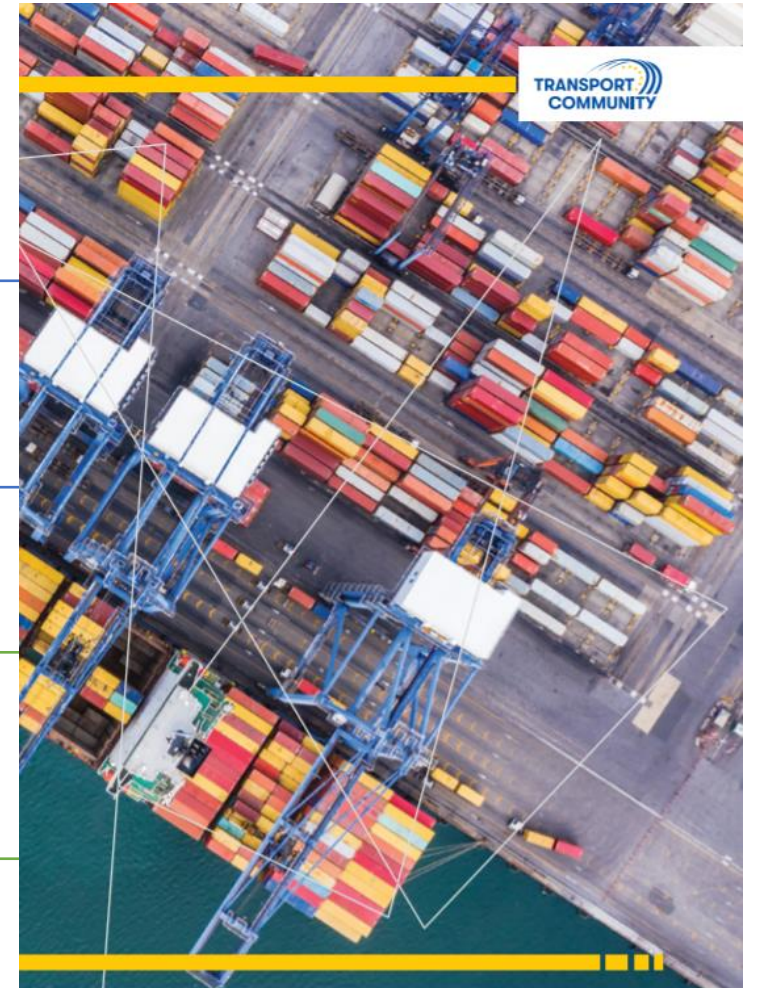
- fast/safe/modern rail system
- common regional rail market
- integration with the EU rail market

# Introduction



Clear benefits in terms of **environmental impact, reduced congestion, lower costs and increased efficiency of transport operations.**

Waterborne transport in the Western Balkans as **reliable, competitive and sustainable** with digital solutions and green concepts in ports.



# Content and timeframe of the Action Plan



Action plan for Waterborne transport and  
Multimodality covers following areas:

Maritime Transport and Maritime ports

Inland waterways Transport and Ports

Multimodality

It sets out priorities in both policy and infrastructural  
parts by dividing actions according to:

Legislation and EU Acquis  
approximation

Infrastructure, digital, and green  
elements

**Action Plan covers the period 2021 - 2025.**

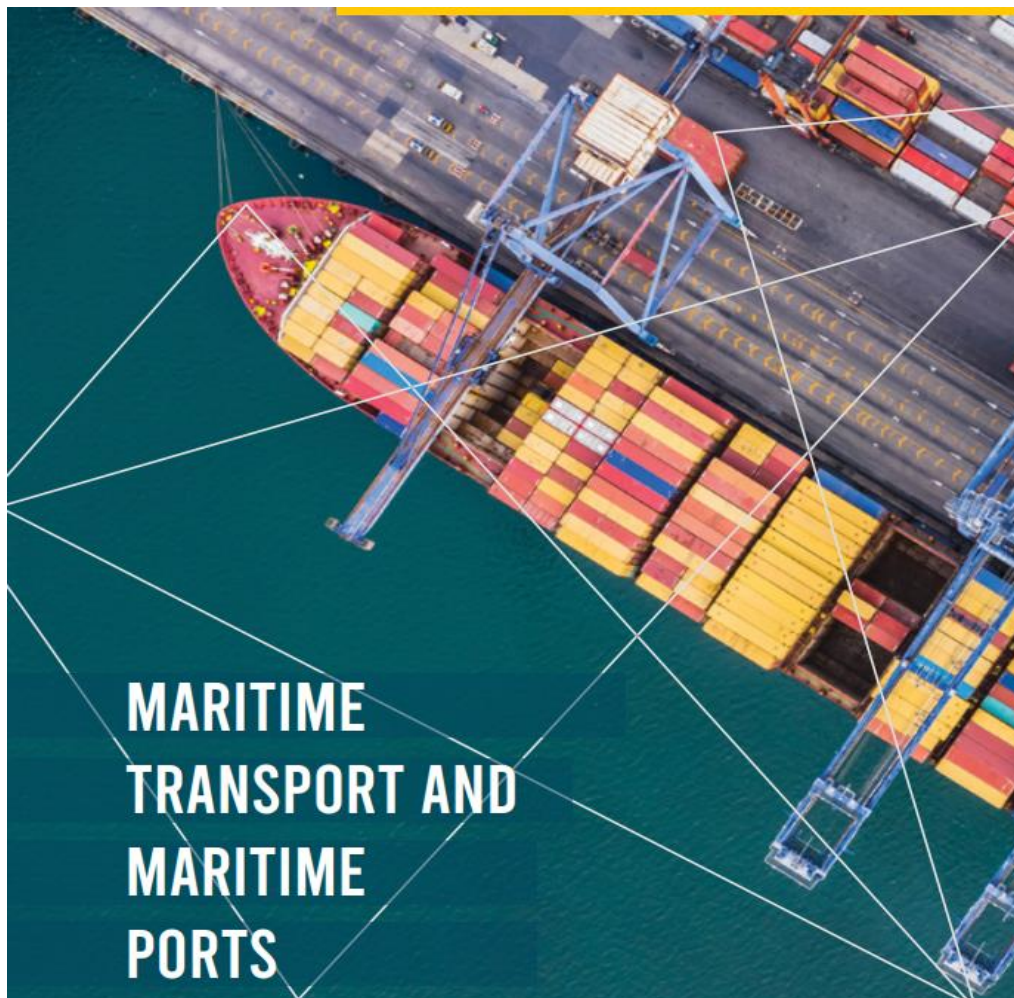
# Maritime Transport and Maritime Ports (1)



- **20 priority measures** identified - linked to the regulatory area as per Annex 1
- **6 priority measures** identified related to infrastructure, digital and green elements of maritime ports
- Prioritise the **transposition** to align systems with the required European acts



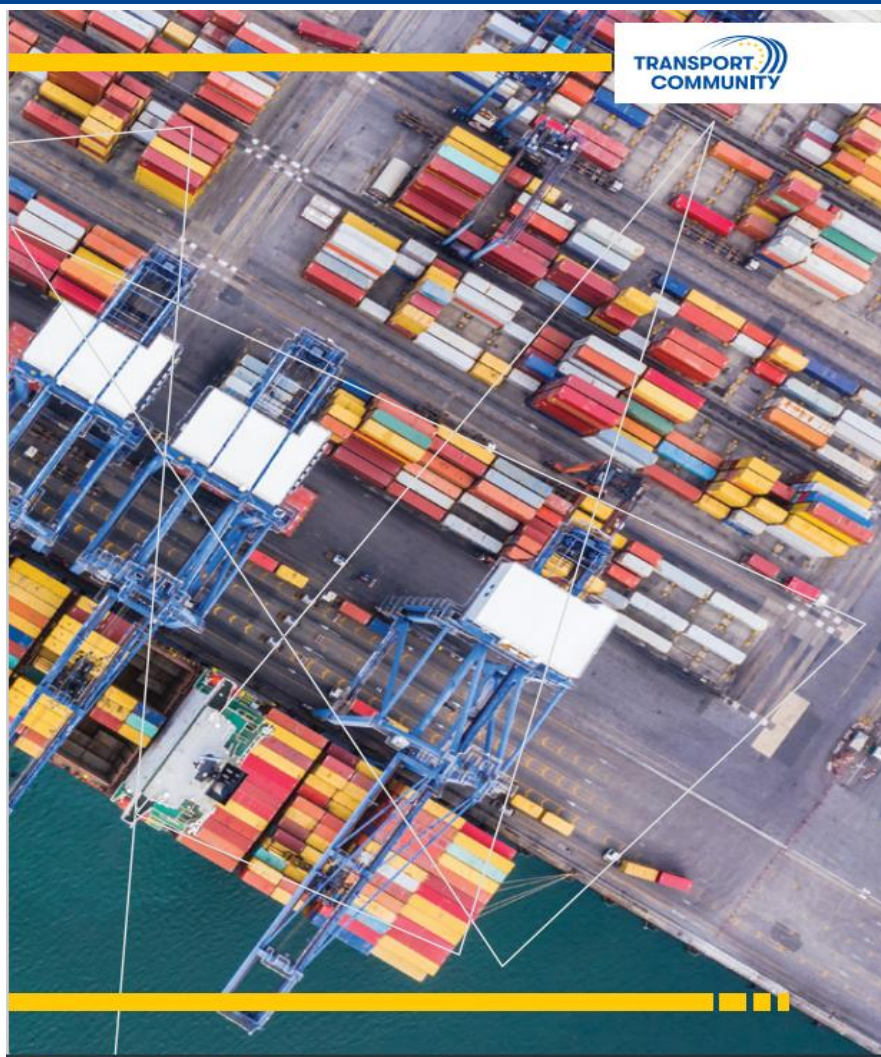
# Maritime Transport and Maritime Ports (2)



No.	LEGISLATION APPLICABLE TO MARITIME TRANSPORT	Planned quarter and year for transposition	Support action - assistance
1.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Maritime policy</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community	1Q 2023	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat and TAIEX assistance where needed and appropriate
2.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Access to the market</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community	2Q 2023	
3.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>International Agreements</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community	1Q 2023	
4.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Ship inspection and survey organisations - recognised organisations</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2023	
5.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Port State control</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2022	
6.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Vessel traffic monitoring</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	3Q 2022	
7.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Marine equipment</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2023	
8.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Passenger ships</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community).	3Q 2022	
9.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Oil tankers</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2022	



# Maritime Transport and Maritime Ports (3)



No.	LEGISLATION APPLICABLE TO MARITIME TRANSPORT	Planned quarter and year for transposition
10.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Bulk carriers</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	3Q 2023
11.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Insurance</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2022
12.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Ship-source</b> pollution as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2023
13.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Organotin compounds</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2023
14.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Maritime Security</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2023
15.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Training of seafarers</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2022
16.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Social aspects</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	1Q 2023
17.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Sea and inland waterway</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	2Q 2023
18.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Transportable pressure equipment</b> as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	3Q 2023
19.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Port services</b> <sup>7</sup> (Regulation (EU) 2017/352 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 February 2017 establishing a framework for the provision of port services and common rules on the financial transparency of ports	4Q 2024
20.	Legislation related to the regulatory area Reporting formalities (Directive 2010/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 on reporting formalities for ships arriving in and/or departing from ports of the Member States and repealing Directive 2002/6/EC (OJ EU L 283, 29.10.2010, p. 1) as per Annex I.4. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	4Q 2025



# Maritime Transport and Maritime Ports (4)



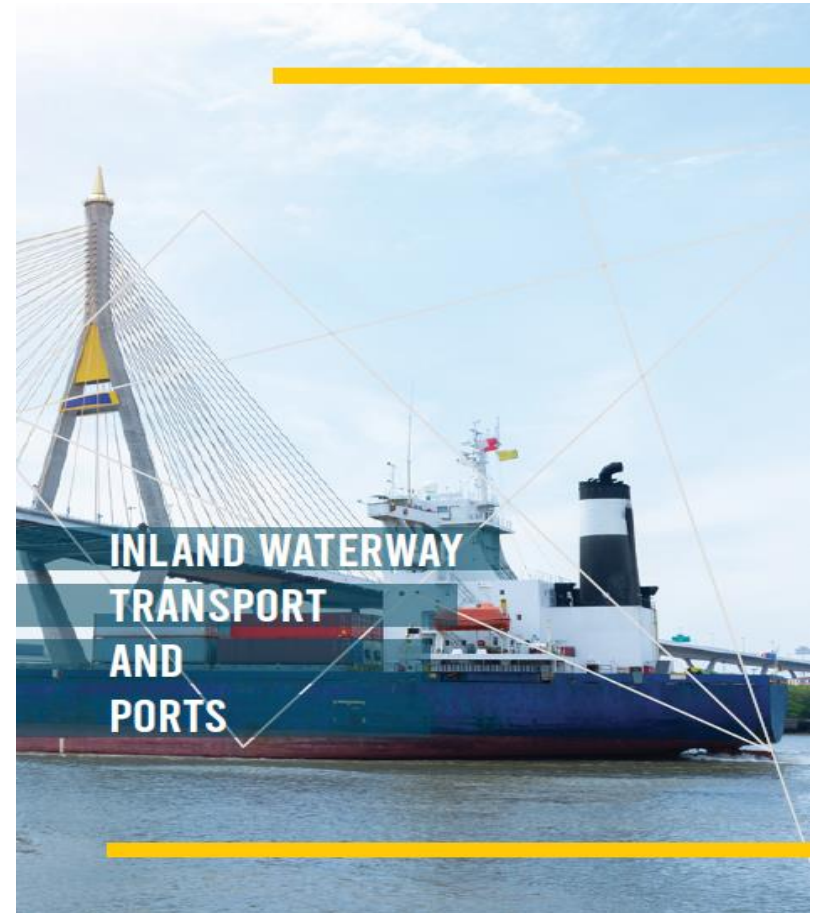
No.	ACTIONS RELATED TO INFRASTRUCTURE, DIGITAL, AND GREEN ELEMENTS OF SEA PORTS	Deadline for Implementation	Support action - assistance
1.	Improvement of the interoperability of IT systems and solutions in ports including the development and/or improvement of Port Community System (PCS) as a continuation of the deliverables of finished INTERREG projects	Q2 2022	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat
2.	Purchase and installation of equipment for the improvement of the process efficiency and effectiveness in ports	Q4 2023	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat
3.	Strengthening human resources and institutional capacities of port operators by establishing Centre of excellence in Maritime affairs	Q4 2021	E M S A , T A I E X , Transport Community Permanent Secretariat
4.	Developing concepts of „green ports” to improve the environmental sustainability of the ports including availability of alternative fuels	4Q 2022	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat
5.	Establishment and/or upgrading of the current community vessel traffic monitoring and information system (VTMIS)	4Q 2023	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat
6.	Dredging and expansion of the capacity of ports for trans-shipment	4Q 2022	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat



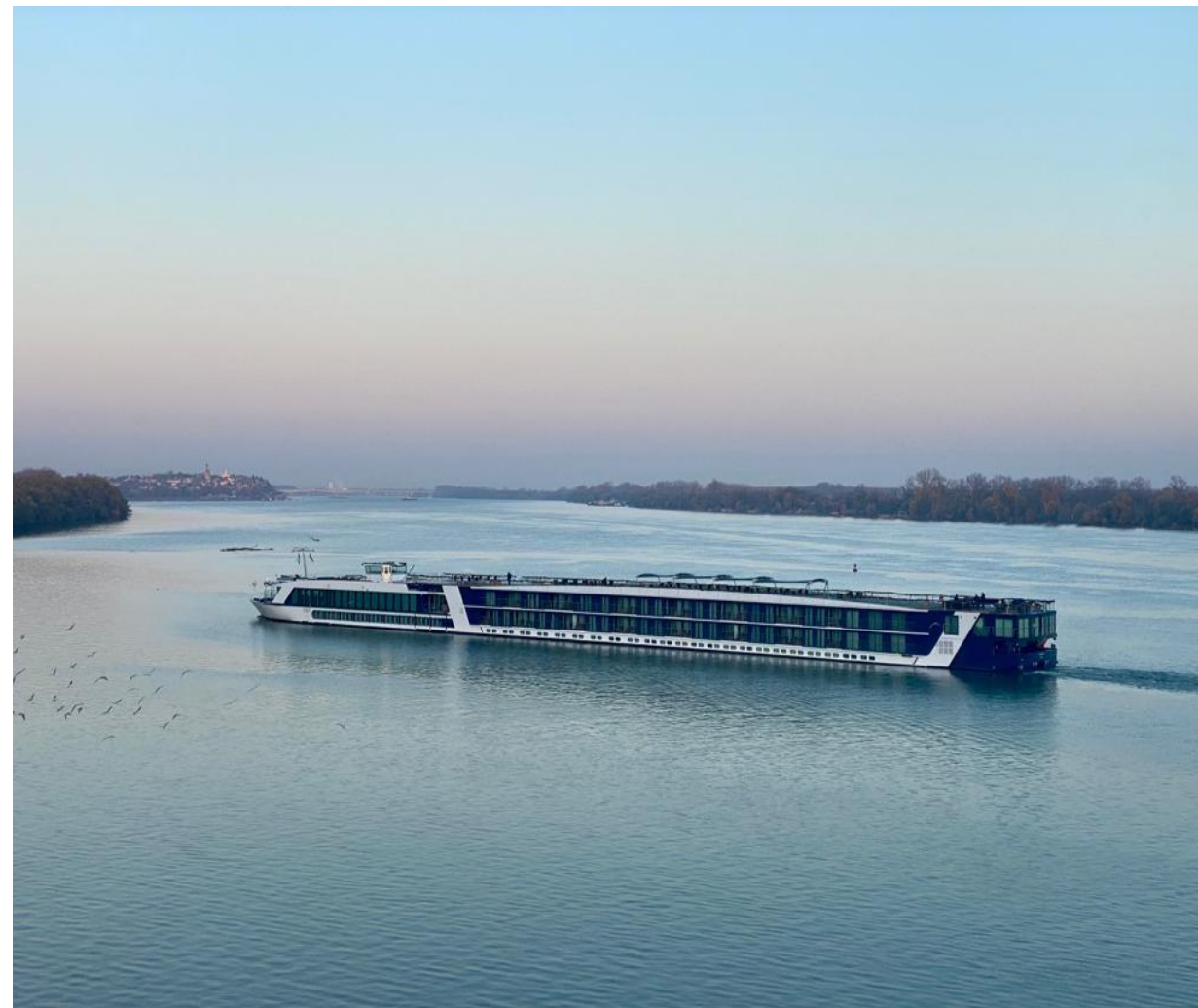
# Inland Waterway Transport and Ports (1)



- **13 actions regarding** legislation as Per Annex 1 for alignment and transposition to the national legal systems of regional partners
- **6 actions regarding Infrastructure, navigability, and digital and green elements** -clear and specific interventions for increasing the competitiveness of the inland waterways.



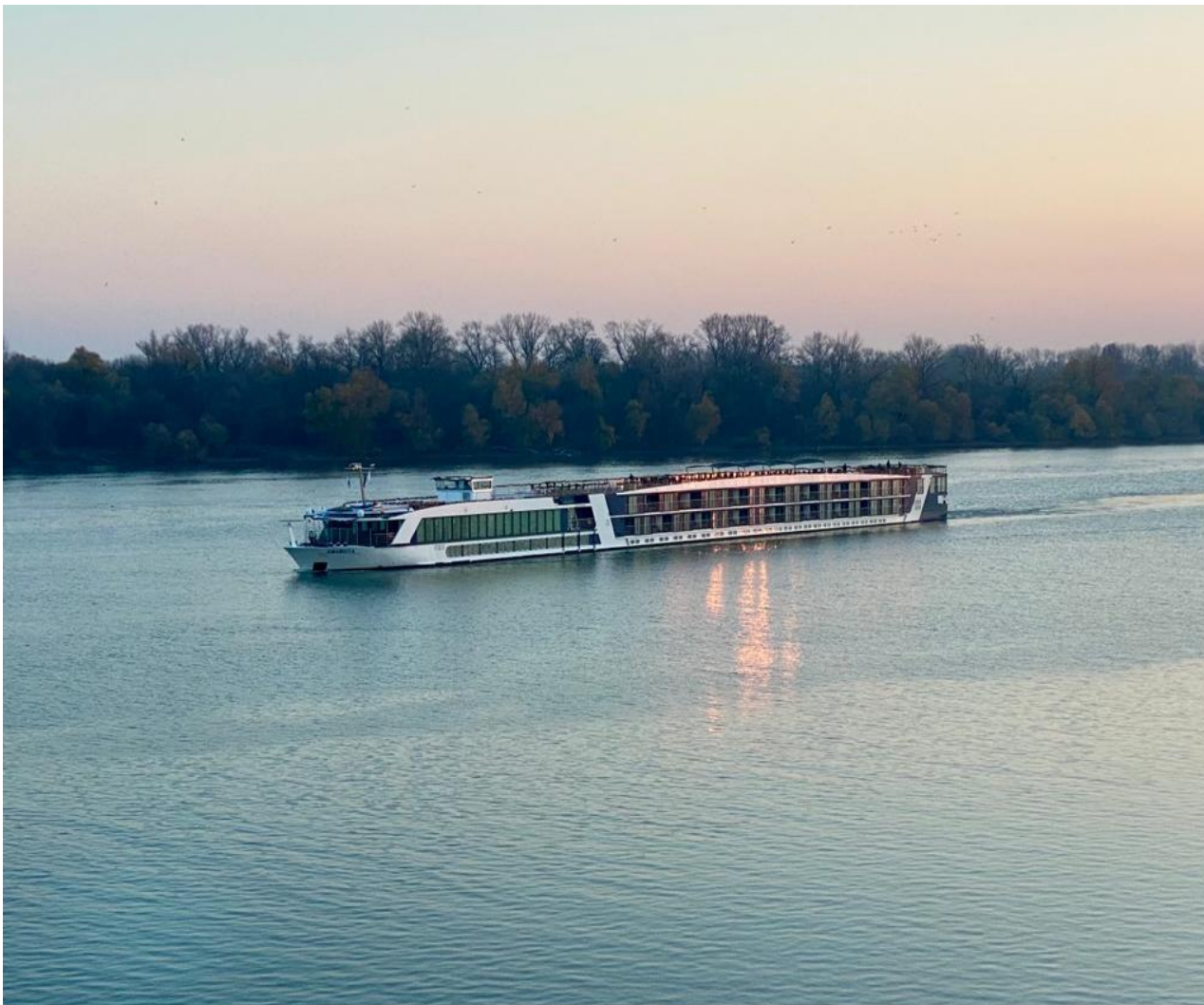
# Inland Waterway Transport and Ports (2)



No.	LEGISLATION APPLICABLE TO INLAND WATERWAYS	Planned quarter and year for transposition	Support action - assistance
1.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Access to the market</b> as per Annex I.5. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	Q4 2023	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat and TAIEX assistance where needed and appropriate
2.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Access to the profession</b> as per Annex I.5. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	Q4 2022	
3.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Boatmasters' certificates</b> <sup>11</sup> (Directive (EU) 2017/2397 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 on the recognition of professional qualifications in inland navigation and repealing Council Directives 91/672/EEC and 96/50/EC as per Annex I.5. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	Q2 2023	
4.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Safety/technical requirements</b> as per Annex I.5. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	Q4 2023	
5.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>River information services</b> as per Annex I.5. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	Q4 2022	



# Inland Waterway Transport and Ports (3)



No.	LEGISLATION APPLICABLE TO INLAND WATERWAYS	Planned quarter and year for transposition	Support action - assistance
6.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Environment</b> as per Annex I.5. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	Q4 2023	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat and TAIEX assistance where needed and appropriate
7.	Legislation related to the regulatory area <b>Sea and inland waterways</b> as per Annex I.5. of the Treaty establishing the Transport community.	Q4 2022	
8.	Obtain observer status in the European Commission Expert groups related to Inland waterway transport policy issues: NAIADES, Social matters, Technical requirements for vessels, DINA/RIS.	Q2 2021	
9.	Obtain observer status in the working groups of CESNI-European Committee for drawing up standards in the field of inland navigation - 3 working groups on CESNI/PT (technical requirements), CESNI/QP (professional qualifications) and CESNI/TI (information technology)	Q2 2021	
10.	Formal request by the relevant Regional Partners to EC for recognition of their systems, in order to get formal recognition of professional certificates issued	Q2 2021	
11.	Prepare overview of status of IWW by country: size of the market (number of vessels, number of professional crew members, competent authorities; status of preparations for the request for recognition under Directive /2017/2397)	Q2 2021	
12.	Prepare overview of the status of the alignment of the national legislation with the latest legislation on the technical requirements for inland vessels, Directive 2016/1629	Q3 2021	
13.	Prepare overview of the actual institutional framework and administrative capacities for the inland waterway sector with planned actions to overcome the identified obstacles	Q3 2021	




# Inland Waterway Transport and Ports (4)



No.	ACTIONS RELATED TO INFRASTRUCTURE AND DIGITAL, SOCIAL AND GREEN ELEMENTS OF INLAND WATERWAYS	Deadline for Implementation	Support action - assistance
1.	Demining of the potential worksites at the right bank of the Sava River (WBIF grant)	4Q 2022	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat
2.	Reconstruction and upgrade of the port capacities and purchasing of related equipment	1Q 2025	
3.	Developing concepts and studies for shore-side power supply and alternative clean fuel supply facilities (e.g. LNG)	2Q 2023	
4.	Developing of studies for improving the navigability of Sava and Danube river	3Q 2023	
5.	Developing studies for digital solutions in ports to increase the efficiency of processes	2Q 2024	
6.	Addressing critical bottlenecks on the Danube river with appropriate measures (dredging) in line with the Flagship 1-CONNECTING EAST TO WEST of the Economic and Investment plan for the Western Balkans	4Q 2022	

# Multimodality – New element!

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- **Introducing Multimodality in legislation** is not part of the Annex I of the TCT, but very relevant!
  - Interventions in line with the approved **Transport Facilitation Action Plan**.



# Multimodality (1)



No.	LEGISLATION APPLICABLE TO MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT	Planned quarter and year for transposition	Support action - assistance
1.	COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 92/106/EEC of 7 December 1992 on the establishment of common rules for certain types of combined transport of goods between Member States <sup>11</sup>	Q4 2025	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat and TAIEX assistance where needed and appropriate
2.	Regulation (EU) 2020/1056 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2020 on electronic freight transport information (OJ L 249, 31.7.2020, p. 33).	Q4 2025	



# Multimodality (2)



No.	DEFINITION OF ACTIONS RELATED TO INFRASTRUCTURE INTERVENTIONS RELATED TO MULTIMODALITY	Deadline for Implementation	Support action - assistance
1.	Infrastructure improvement or expansion of the road and rail last-mile connections within and outside the node areas	Q4 2023	Transport Community Permanent Secretariat
2.	Construction of the Intermodal terminals and purchase of related equipment <sup>12</sup>	Q3 2023	
3.	Introduction of digital solutions to improve multimodality	Q1 2022	

# Conclusion



**On the path to green recovery  
of the Western Balkans,  
water is the way to go!**



# Thank you for your attention!

Useful links:

[ACTION PLAN FOR WATERBORNE TRANSPORT AND MULTIMODALITY](#)

[ACTION PLAN FOR TRANSPORT FACILITATION](#)