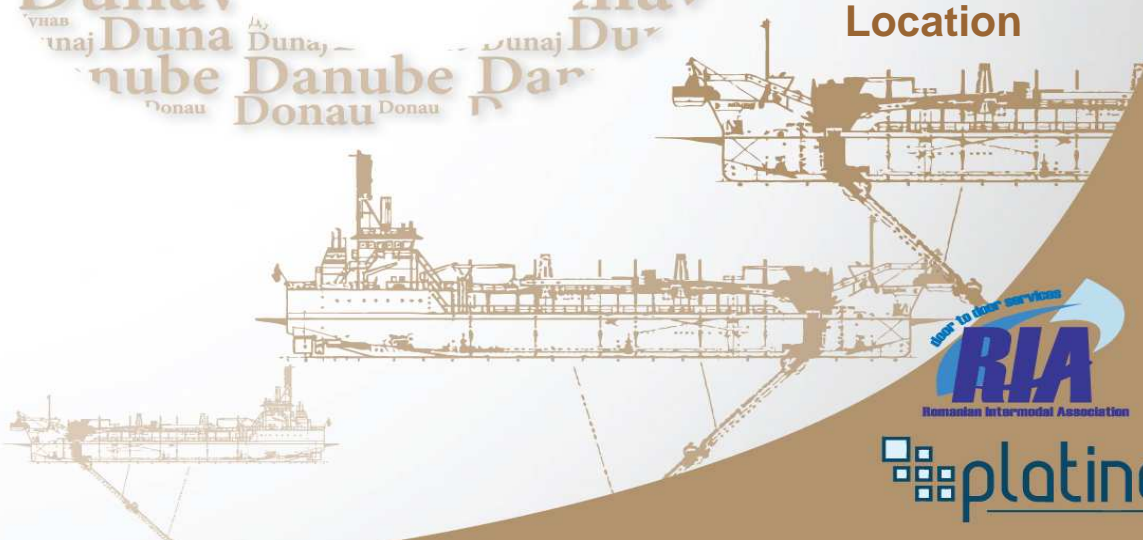


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Second large inland waterway in Europe...

The Danube is the second largest river in Europe (after the Volga) in terms of length, catchment area and water output. The Danube has a total length of 2860 km, being navigable on more than 2300 km.



Connecting countries, transport networks...

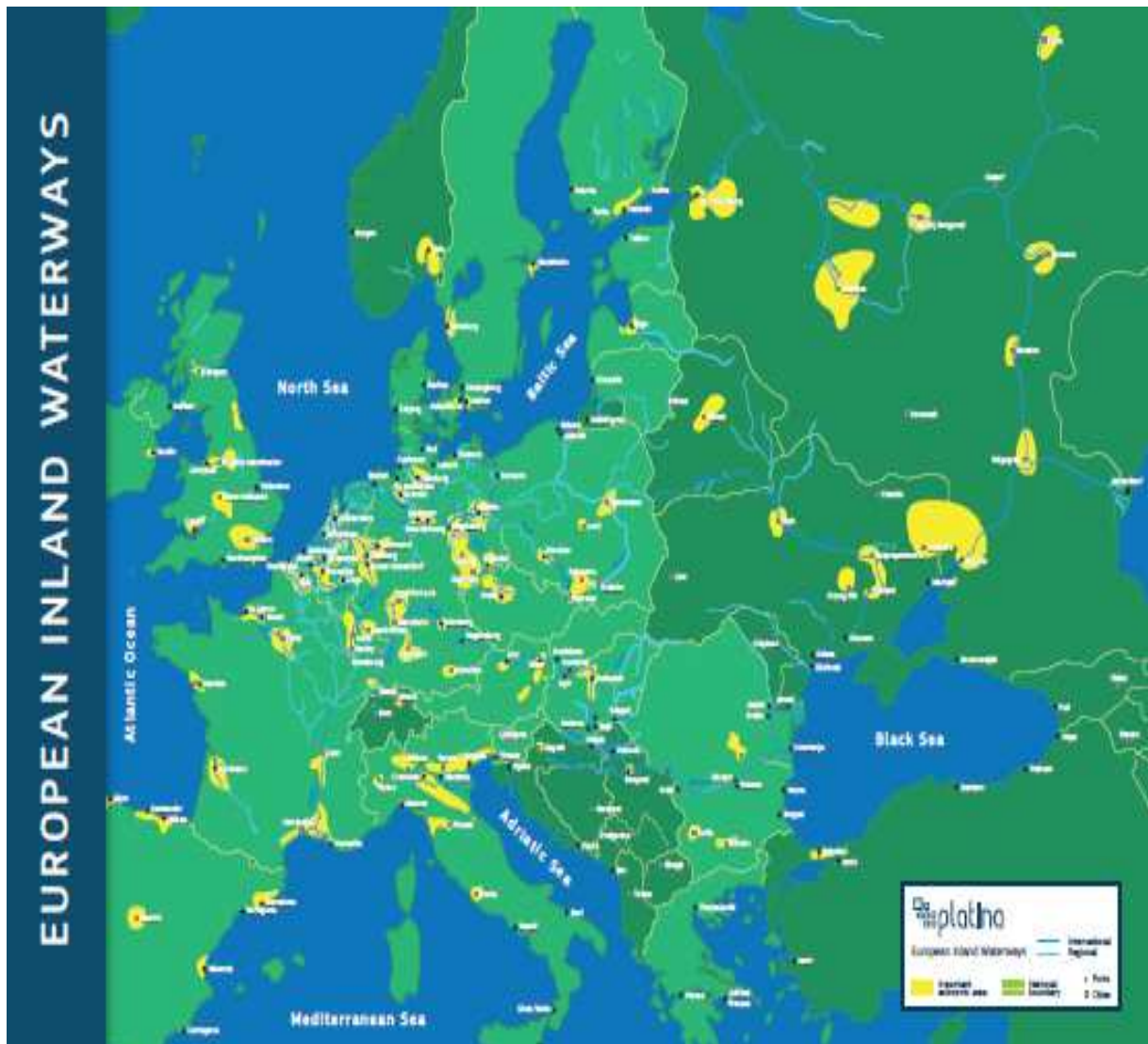
The Danube arises from the Black Forest Mountains in Germany and it ends in the Black Sea, near the „Caraorman Forest”, which in Turkish language means also the Black Forest. It is obviously the most European river with several names (Donau, Dunaj, Dunav, Dunarea, Duna) that mean all the same.

The Danube is indisputably an inland waterway backbone connecting ten countries and their transport networks (Germany, Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria, Romania, Moldavia and Ukraine), crossing the western, central and eastern parts of the continent.

Connecting the North and South-Est in Europe...

At the same time the Danube is a waterway that connects these countries not only with each other, but also to North-West Europe via the Rhine–Main–Danube Canal. (Priority Axes no. 18)

The Blue corridor Rhine Main Danube connect the two major maritime poles of Europe – port of Rotterdam and port of Constantza, creating a navigable canal crossing Europe from North to South.



Source – PLATINA Communication toolbox – May 2011

Romanian sector of the Danube

The Romanian sector of Danube covers 1075 km. Romania owns the largest share of the Danube Basin, almost 30%.

With high potential to develop intermodal hubs along the Danube, due to the connection to the Black Sea (assured by the Danube Black Sea Canal), the Danube plays a major role in serving the transport of cargoes coming from Far East and dedicated to Central and Eastern European countries.



The Romanian Danube

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The NAIADES action plan is a Commission initiative to enhance the use of inland navigation as part of intermodal freight solutions, in order to create a sustainable, competitive and environmentally friendly European wide transport network.

This objective was embraced by the inland navigation sector, who, together with the Commission have created PLATINA, an FP7 project consisting of 23 partners from nine different countries, in order to accelerate the achievement of the NAIADES aims. This multi-disciplinary knowledge network will allow PLATINA to create the momentum necessary to achieve the NAIADES objectives. - For more info – www.naiades.info/platina

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