



Transport Trends and Challenges in the inland waterways sector

**Thirtieth session of the UNECE Working Party
on Transport Trends and Economics (WP.5)**

4-6 September 2017





High-level Conference on Inland Water Transport

Steering towards the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda: the role, challenges and opportunities for inland water transport

22 February 2017, on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of ITC

More than 60 participants from 16 countries with a vested interest in inland water transport, EU, River Commissions, international organizations, IFI, other key players

Ministerial keynote speeches and 2 panels



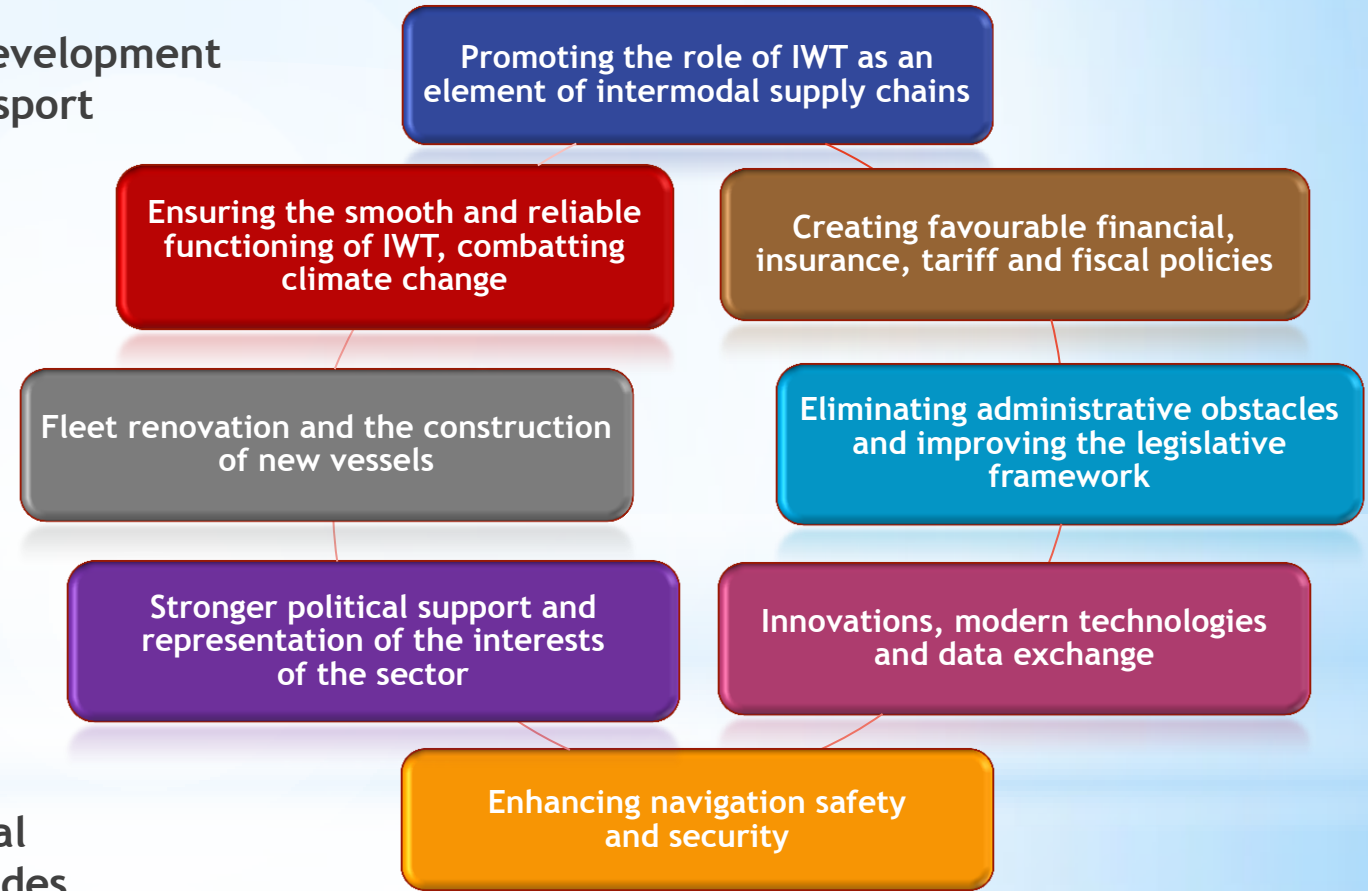


Conclusions and issues for further consideration

Navigable waterways play an important role in the development of regions and countries, however, inland water transport has yet to reach its full potential



Improving connectivity is crucial for sustainability, regional integration, the development of international transport corridors and links with other transport modes





International Conference on Inland Water Transport

“Connecting by Inland Navigation”

Wrocław, Poland, 18-19 April 2018

Hosted by the Government of Poland

- ❖ The coordinated development of IWT across the world
- ❖ The role of IWT in achieving the SDGs
- ❖ UN legal instruments
- ❖ Future of IWT, technological progress and innovations
- ❖ Major international projects and investments in inland waterways

Ministerial resolution to be signed



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Activities of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport

New Strategy and the Terms of Reference of SC.3 endorsed by ITC in February 2017

Workshop on the Rules and Regulations for inland navigation and river-sea vessels

- Directive (EU) 2016/1629 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 September 2016
- ES-TRIN
- Modernization of vessels



Workshop “Inland Waterways and Ports: Bridges to Intermodality”



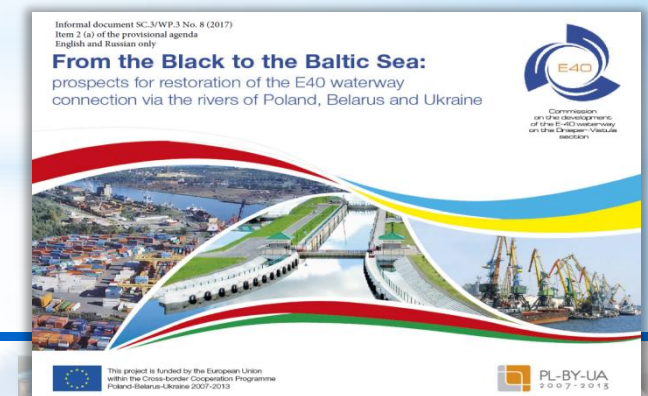
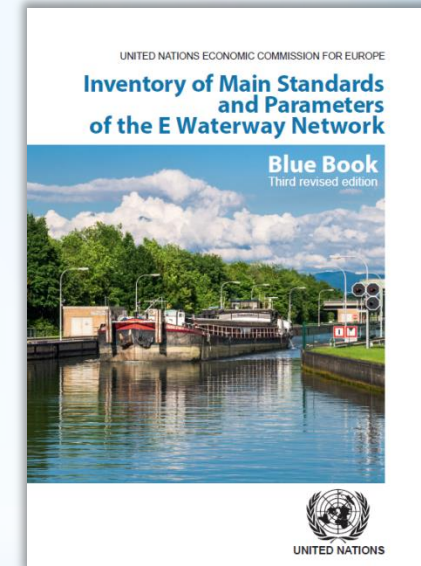


Development of IWT infrastructure

- Third revised edition of the Blue Book

Year	E waterway network, km	E waterways of at least Class IV, %
1998	27,711	79
2016	29,238	83

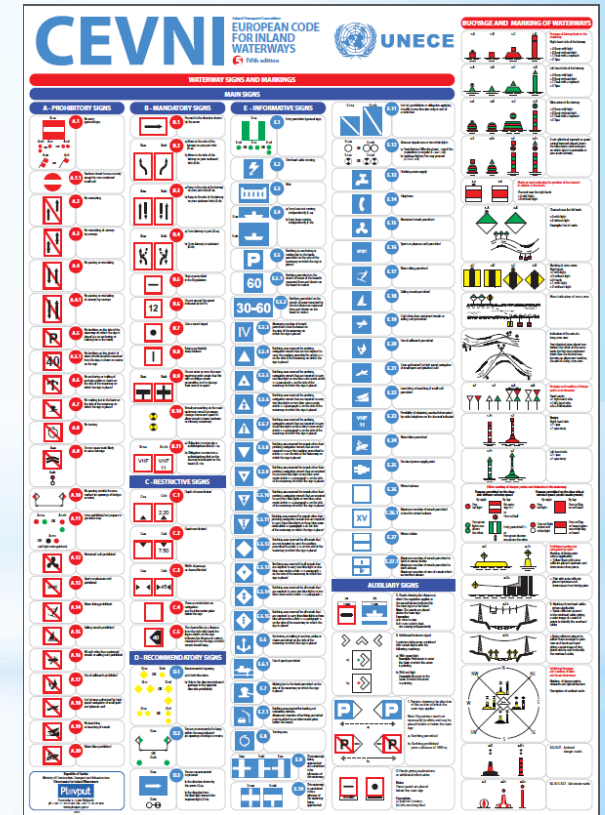
- Draft amendments to the AGN Agreement (61st session of SC.3)
- TEN-T corridors and Resolution No. 49
- National strategies





European Code for Inland Waterways

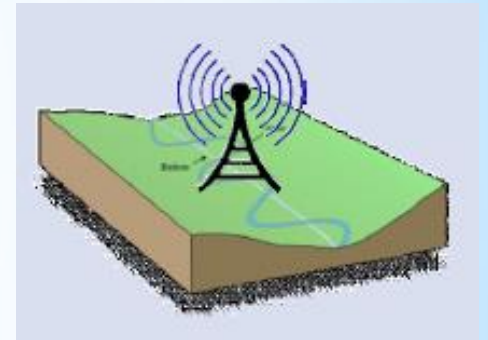
- Implementation of the fifth revised edition of CEVNI
- Participation of River Commissions
- Updating Chapter 9
- Signs and Signals on Inland Waterways: revision of SIGNI on the basis of Resolutions No. 22 and 59
- Introducing new technologies and RIS





River Information Services

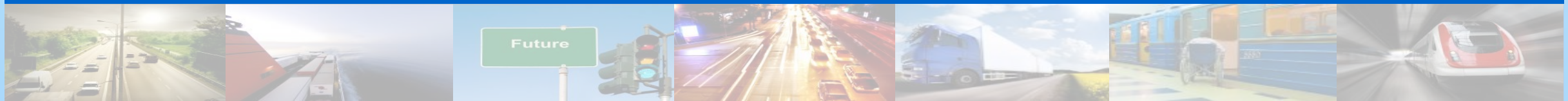
- Resolution No 80 (Notices to Skippers):
draft revision preliminary approved
- Resolutions Nos 48 (Inland ECDIS), 57 (RIS Guidelines),
58 (VTS), 63 (VTT), 79 (ERI)
waiting for the European Commission and the RIS Expert Groups
- EU projects:
 - RIS COMEX
 - Digital Inland Waterway Area (DINA)
 - Electronic tools in support of IWT (eIWT)





Cooperation with the European Commission

- ✓ Commission Expert Group on Inland Waterway Transport (NAIADES II Implementation Group)
- ✓ Commission Expert Group on Social Issues in Inland Navigation
- ✓ Commission Expert Group on technical requirements for inland waterway vessels





Thank you for your attention!

Website: www.unece.org/trans/main/sc3/sc3.html

