



5TH DANUBE REGION INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES NETWORK (DIAS) MEETING

**12 – 13 DECEMBER 2018
SOFIA, BULGARIA**

**WORKSHOP VENUE:
Best Western Plus City Hotel, 6 Stara Planina Street, Sofia
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DRAFT AGENDA

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11.30 Registration

12.00 Welcome lunch

13:00 **Opening and introduction of participants** (T. Trichkova)
Prof. Dr. Snejana Grozeva, IBER-BAS, Scientific Secretary
Mr Florian Ballnus, EUSDR Priority Area 06 Coordinator

13.30 **Update on IAS activities in the Danube Region** (R. Tomov)
DIAS status report, activities in the Upper, Middle and Lower Danube Region with adjacent Black Sea Region (T. Trichkova)
New project 'Establishment of the National Monitoring System for Invasive Alien Species in Croatia', EU Cohesion Fund in the framework of Operational Programme Competitiveness and Cohesion 2014–2020 (T. Mihinjač)
Joint Danube Survey 4 (2019) – IAS monitoring programme (M. Paunović)

Discussion

14:30 **DIAS strategy paper update and finalisation – discussion and inputs**
(40 min for each topic)

Strategy general structure and content (T. Trichkova)
Key topic 1: IAS - Species and interactions/ impact in the DRB (M. Paunović)

15.30 Coffee break

16:00 **DIAS strategy paper update and finalisation – discussion and inputs (Cont.)**

Key topic 2. Pathways of introduction in the DRB (Cont.) (V. Vladimirov)
Key topic 3. Information system and knowledge dissemination (L. Füreder)
Key topic 4. Risk assessment and prioritisation (R. Tomov)

18:00 End of Day one

19:00 Joint Dinner



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09:00 **DIAS strategy paper upade and finalisation – discussion and inputs (Cont.)**
(40 min for each topic)

Key topic 5. Early detection and rapid eradication (D. Cogălniceanu)

Key topic 6. Management and restoration (F. Stanescu)

Key topic 7. Awareness raising, communication and policy (B. Stammel)

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 **DIAS strategy paper upade and finalisation – discussion and inputs (Cont.)**

Key topic 7. Awareness raising, communication and policy (Cont.) (B. Stammel)

11:30 **DIAS developing and cooperation in the frame of EUSDR**

Revision of the EUSDR Action Plan and DIAS (F. Ballnus)

Danube Transnational Programme 3rd call (F. Ballnus)

DIAS development and joint activities: Creating working groups, IAS lists in the Danube Region, joint publications, etc.

DIAS cooperation: Exploring options for cooperation and funding in collaboration with ESENIAS, IAD and other organisations

DIAS work plan and time schedule - defining next steps.

12:40 **Wrap up and closure of DIAS5 workshop**

13.00 Farewell lunch