



PRESS RELEASE

„Monitoring of Environmental Impact of the Works for Improvement of the Navigation Conditions on the Danube between Calarasi and Braila, Km 375 - km 175” Stage I ACRONYM: ROMOMED

In its capacity of Beneficiary, The River Administration of the Lower Danube has jointly signed with the Management Authority of the Operational Programme - Transport SOPT 2007 - 2013 under the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure the Finance Contract for the Project „Monitoring of Environmental Impact of the Works for Improvement of the Navigation Conditions on the Danube between Calarasi and Braila, Km 375 - km 175” with a total value of € 8.146.884 with VAT.

The Project is co- financed within the Operational Programme - Transport SOPT 2007 - 2013, with non-reimbursable funds from EU - European Regional Development Fund 71,12% , respectively € 4.696.569 and National State Budget funding - 28.88 % , respectively € 1.907.156.

Following the tendering procedure which took place in 2011, the Contract of Monitoring Services no. 53 dated 30.03.2011 has been signed with the association composed by **National Institute of Research - Development for Environmental Protection** as a leader, **S.C. AQUAPROIECT S.A.**, **UNIVERSITÄT FÜR BODENKULTUR - VIENA**, **VITUKI ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER MANAGEMENT RESEARCH INSTITUTE - UNGARIA**, **DIAGNOSE and MEASUREMENT GROUP - ROMANIA** and the total value of the Contract is of € 7.197.680.

The main objective of the Contract is to monitor the environmental factors in order to determine the environmental impact as result of implementing the Project “Improvement of Navigation Conditions on the Danube between Calarasi and Braila - Stage I”.

The present project is a consequence of the recommendations given by the European Commission - Directorate General for the Environment and the requirement specified in the Environment Permit no. 3/2007 issued by the Regional Agency of Environmental Protection in Galati in order to execute the project “Improvement of Navigation Conditions on the Danube between Calarasi and Braila and complementary measures - ISPA measure 2005/RO/16/P/PT/003, in which it was requested to elaborate a detailed monitoring programme of the environmental impact of hydro-technical works executed under the ISPA measure 2005/RO/16/P/PT/003, in accordance with European Union legislation.

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