



DANUBE ACADEMIES CONFERENCE



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September 21 and 22, 2017
Belgrade, Republic of Serbia



Organizers

Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts
European Academy of Sciences and Art

Programme

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September 21, 2017

10.30-11.30 Meeting of the representatives of Danube Academies

12:00-13:00 Opening and welcome messages
Prof. Dr Vladimir Kostić, President of the SASA
Prof. Dr Felix Unger, President of EASA
Video message of Dr. Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations - video message
Other speakers: t.b.a.

14.00-18.00 TOPIC I: Endangered Danube: What can we do

Moderation: Academician Vladimir Stevanović

Topics:

- Stage and future of accumulations (increasing sedimentation, impacts on floods and periodical winter ice cover, estimation on the longevity of a hydropower system and what are scenarios for the time after.
 - Changes in the floristic and faunistic composition of communities caused by rapid shallowing of the reservoirs (e.g., a mass spreading of macrophytes, invasive species of freshwater plants and animals, establishing new habitats, increasing of biodiversity, etc.).
 - How and whether to sustainably use biological resources in the reservoirs? (huge biomass of aquatic plants, fishery, and hunting of waterfowl)
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18:00-20:00 Social event

September 22, 2017

9.00-13.00 TOPIC II: Universities in Transition

Moderation: Academician Dejan Popović

Topics:

- The forms of education for the implementation of the Fourth Industrial Revolution
- There is no time to waste; digitization is changing our lives.
- The role of high-level education to the innovation spirit.
- Bridging from idea to innovation valley: The interplay among researchers and investors.
- The nurturing of the roots of Danube region educational and R&D methods.

13.00 Closing and announcement of DAC 2018