

EXPLORING COMMON GROUNDS (WATERS) FOR SHARING VISION FOR THE SAVA RIVER

VISION:

Sava RB will be a model for transboundary integrated flood control system based on natural alluvial wetlands providing people with security and ensuring their well-being through:

- **traditional land use practices**
- **healthy and functional ecosystems and rich biodiversity providing people with vital ecosystem services**
- **mitigating impacts of climate change**
- **making the Sava river valley recognized as unique tourist destination from the Alps to the Danube.**

Sava River Commission - should achieve the vision by preparing integrated plans and programs using participatory approach

- **The whole free flowing Sava should be part of NATURA 2000**
- **Sava River as Ramsar river basin**
- **Use Srednja Posavina as a model for stakeholder involvement in the whole river basin, to work with local people in connection with sub-units along Sava (Upper Posavina, Middle Posavina, Lower Posavina, Srem)**

- **Use existing stakeholders list to establish active network of NGOs, PAs managers... to support/coordinate local initiatives to maintain traditional land-use practices (follow up project)**
- **Ensure that agri-environmental schemes include floodplain areas**
- **Ensure that the most important sites (retentions, biodiversity) are properly included in spatial plans in all four countries**