

# **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**