SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT

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Aims

- the development of the European transport policy
- the improvement of the economic position of inland navigation
- the structured cooperation with national and international institutions
- the exchange of information and experience between the parties involved

Key-figures / Market

Inland Navigation in Europe

- **130 billion t/km**
- **500 million t**
- **5,6 % of the total freight transport in EU-25**
  - **In various Member States much higher: Belgium and Germany 14 %Netherlands 44 %**

Key-figures / Market

PERFORMANCE BY FREIGHT TRANSPORT IN THE EU 27 in 2006

- ***IWT* SHARE 5,3 %**
  COMPARED TO:
  - **72,7 %** ROAD
  - **16,7%** RAIL
  - **5,2%** PIPELINE

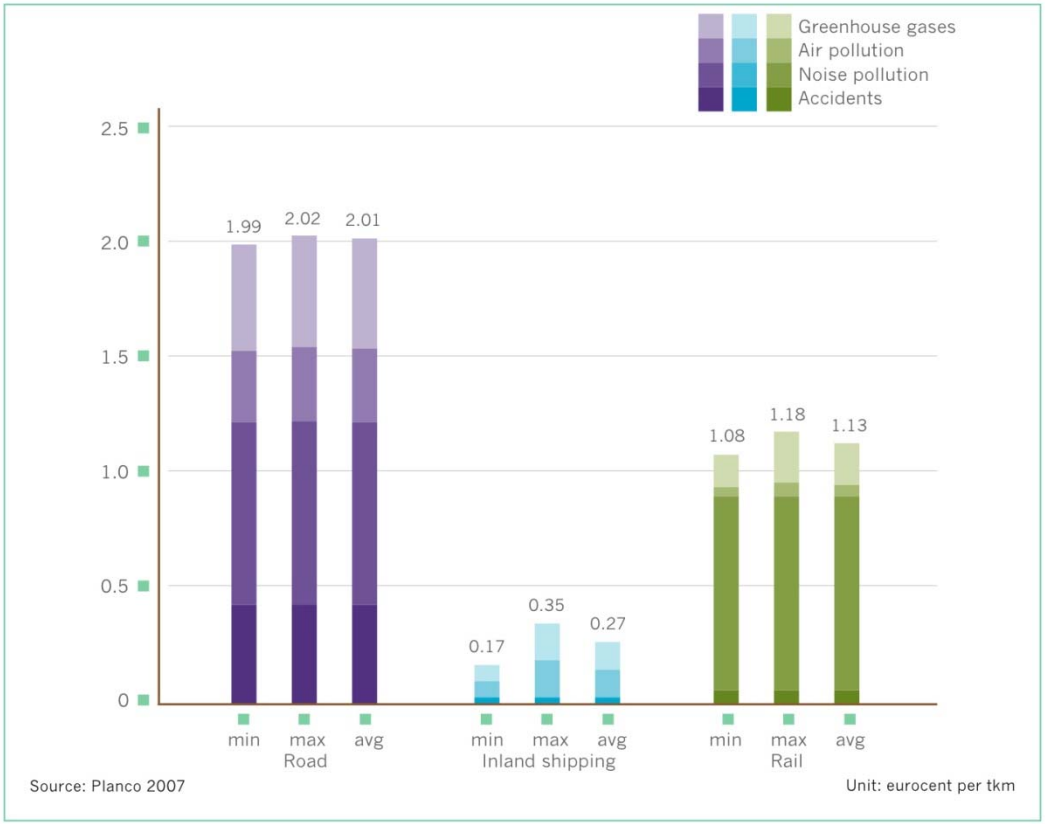
(according to EU Energy and Transport in figures, statistical pocketbook 2007/8)

European transport policy

- **White Paper European Commission**
  - **European transportpolicy EC till 2010**
  - **Revision White Paper in 2010**
- **Inland Navigation Policy**
  - **Communication EC NAIADES**
  - **Implementation programme PLATINA**
- **Green Paper TEN-T**

Inland Shipping - the lowest external costs

Spread and Average Values of All External Costs
(Noise, Accidents, Climate Gases, Air Pollution)
for Bulk Freight on Selected Routes



Bulk transport IWT

83 % lower than road
70 % lower than rail

Container transport IWT

78 % lower than road
68 % lower than rail

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Shifting the balance between modes

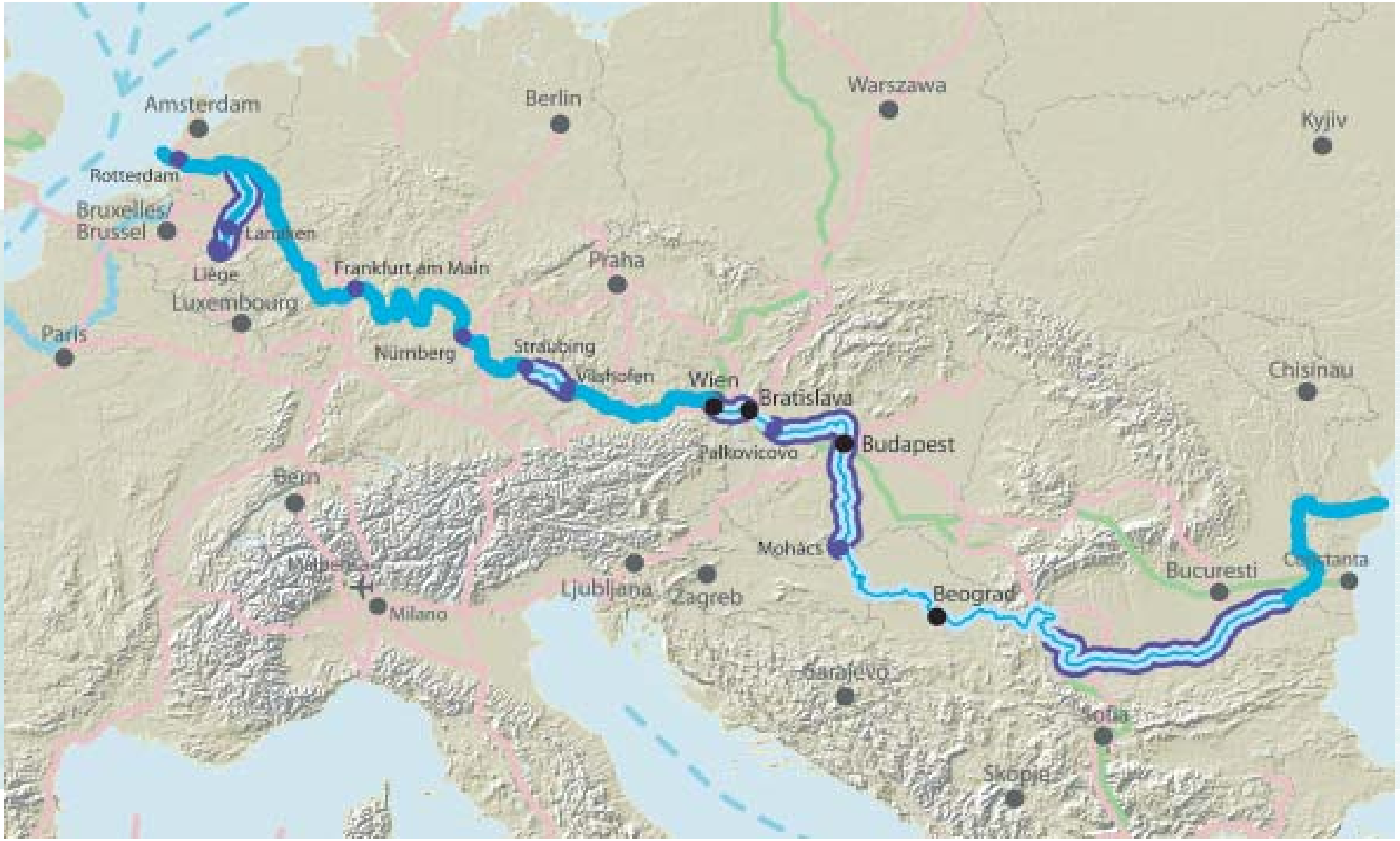
Information - Communication

Infrastructure

- More than 36.000 km of waterways and hundreds of inland ports
- **Bottlenecks**
- Inland Navigation Projects on TEN-T Prioritylist
  - Rhine-Danubecorridor Nr. 18
  - Seine Nord Nr. 30

➢ **Co-financing by European Commission!**

RHINE/MEUSE-MAIN-DANUBE INLAND WATERWAY AXIS



INLAND WATERWAY SEINE-SCHELDT

Future developments

- **(1) FUTURE OF TRANSPORT**
  - **IWT on political national and international agenda**
  - **STRONG POSITIONING IN NEW WHITE PAPER**
- **(2) NAIADES II incl financial support**
- **(3) INFRASTRUCTURE: IWT in core network**
- **(3) Promotion of IWT**

European Policy – Shift Towards Sustainable Transport

EBU Findings

1. Inland navigation has a positive impact on the environmental performance of transport.

2. European policy: keep Europe moving, support cleaner modes and use less congested infrastructure.

   A stimulation policy is needed for modes that contribute most to this policy - mainly inland navigation.

3. TEN-T policy: support waterborne transport with substantial infrastructural measures and financial means to remove the existing bottlenecks and to realise missing links in the European waterway system.

Modal shift towards inland shipping contributes
to an improvement of the environmental performance of transport
to developing a sustainable transport system in general.

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