

# **European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN)**

**Session II: Infrastructure connectivity for  
integrated intermodal transport and logistics**



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- **Coordinated plan** for the development and construction of a network of inland waterways of international importance, based on agreed infrastructure and operational parameters (**E Waterway Network**)
- **Elements:** inland waterways and coastal routes of international importance (Annex I); ports of international importance (Annex II)
- **Technical and operational characteristics** of inland waterways of international importance based on CEMT classification: width, draught, under-bridge clearance, suitability for container transport



### 19 Contracting Parties



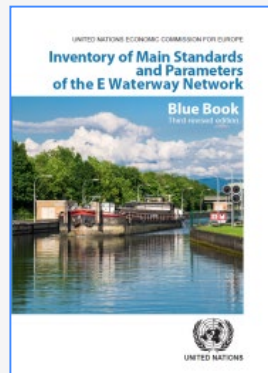
Connects 37 countries  
Links beyond the ECE region:  
coastal routes  
in the Mediterranean,  
Black and Caspian Seas



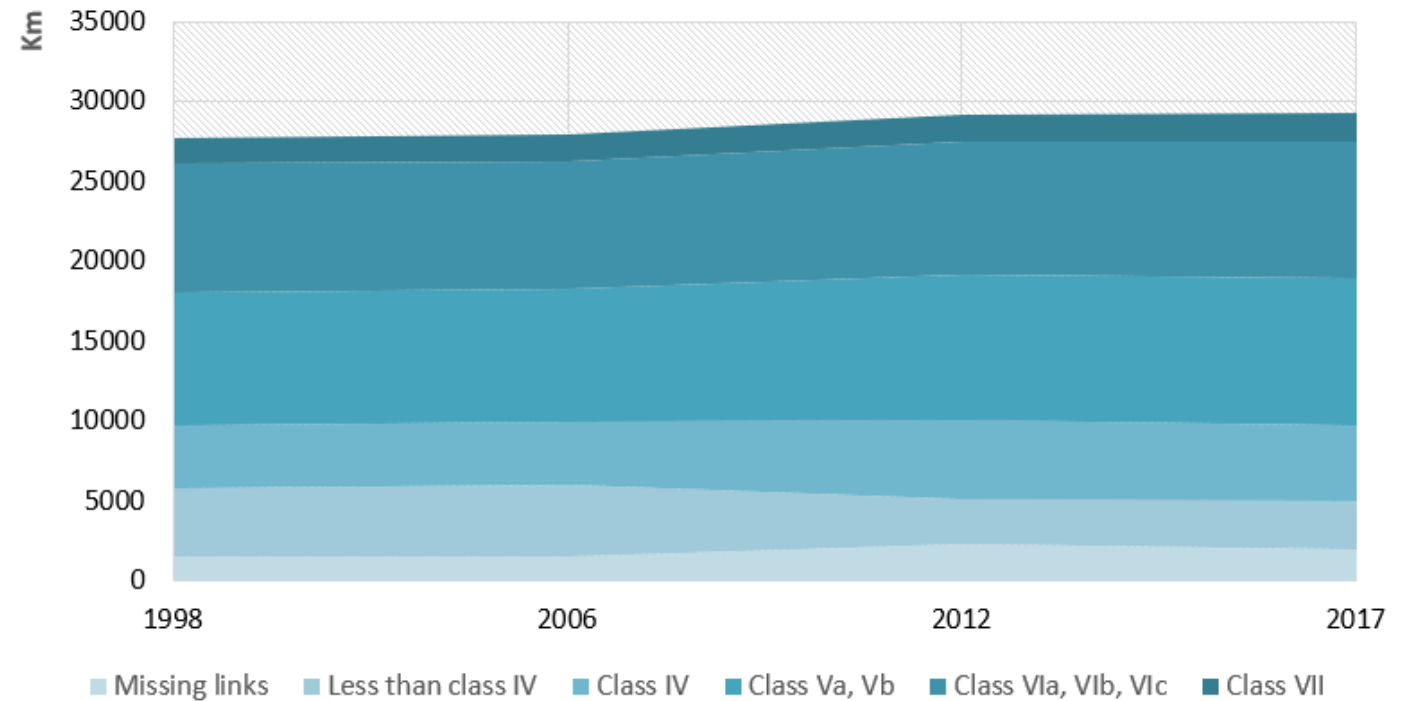


From 1998 to 2016, the total length of the E waterway network grew from 27,711 km to 29,238 km

Monitoring tool – the Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network ("Blue Book") and the online database



### Structure of E Waterway Network



## Expected outcome and the way forward



- Elimination of missing links and bottlenecks
- Ensuring the operability of the whole E Waterway Network in accordance with the technical characteristics and operational targets
- Increasing the share of inland water transport
- Protocol to AGTC
- Ministerial Declaration “Inland Navigation in a Global Setting” (Wroclaw, Poland, 18 April 2018):

***Ministers welcome efforts aiming to ensure that the main inland waterways of international importance are fully integrated into international transport networks***





**Thank you!**

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