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- there is a general understanding that the main problem related to accessibility is the lack of connections (bridges and investments are highly needed)
- Axe 18 => a series of investment projects are foreseen in the different riparian countries however what is missing is a sort of coordination/umbrella organisation
- RO case: feasibility study financed by ISPA: aims at improving the speed of the river (avoiding critical points) and ensure navigation all over the year (drought problems)
- RO: developing a common approach/coordination is difficult because problems are different => the common problem however is to have the Danube navigable
- SRB: national priority for them is the cleaning process from unexploded mines at the border regions (Djerdap)

The real involvement of the regional/local level in the definition of the Danube strategy is questioned. The discussion goes around the difficulties in a joint approach where the competences lie in different body in each riparian country

- Short discussion about Datoruway and its relevance within the Danube strategy