

“CONFERENCE ON THE EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION”

Ruse/Giurgiu, 10 - 11 May 2010

Draft Programme **GOVERNANCE OF THE EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION**

Venue – Ruse Municipal Theatre

10 May 2010: Conference

08:00-09:00 Registration of participants

09:00-10:30 Official Opening

10:30-11:00 coffee break

11.00-13.00 3 thematic workshops (in English language only)

These workshops will cover the following three themes:

(1) Implementing the Danube Strategy – macro-regional mechanisms and structures for implementation and monitoring

(2) Mobilisation of resources to implement the Danube Strategy, its actions and projects, including the contribution of Cohesion Policy to the Strategy

(3) Capacity-building and institutional cooperation for the further development and integration of the Danube macro-region

13:00-14:00 Buffet lunch

14:30-16:00 Continuation of the thematic workshops (in English language only)

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-18:00 Closing Plenary Session and Conclusions (EN/BG Interpretation)

18:00-19:30 Cultural programme (Open air performance by the Ruse Brass Orchestra and theatre performance)

19:30-21:00 Cocktail and networking

11 May 2010: Examples of cross-border cooperation and visit to the city of Giurgiu (Romania)

09:30-10:00 Departure and transport to Giurgiu or to Bucharest Airport

10:00-10:45 Visit at the Bridge between Ruse and Giurgiu (BG-RO)

10:45-11:45 Visit the river port of Giurgiu

12:30-14:00 Lunch in "The Oak", restaurant in Balanoaya Forest

14:00: Bus Transport to Bucharest Airport or back to Ruse