

MOLDOVA

Moldova's Danube Day looked to the past and future to find solutions that work for the Danube and its peoples. Glodeni in the north of the Prut River Basin was the setting for a **Danube workshop** reviewing the past 11 years of Danube activities and the future task of implementing the EU Water Framework Directive. The participants expressed their strong commitment to jointly developing an integrated Prut river basin management plan and their desire to contribute to the Danube integrated river basin plan. Local people joined representatives from the Ministry of Ecology, local government and the Padurea Domneasca protected area to discuss pressing issues including pollution and wetland restoration in the Camenca river valley. Delegates wound down after the discussions with an **evening folk festival** dedicated to celebrating the Danube.

Moldovans, young and old, also took part in this year's **Danube Art Master and Photo competitions**. These basin-wide events, overseen by the Danube Environmental Forum, invited people to let their creativity run wild and be inspired by their river.

Danube Day was also marked in two Moldovan villages, with a display of children's **art and prose about the importance of clean drinking water** and the opening of a new water pump. The event was organised by Terra 1530 in partnership with the Straseni Preventive Medicine Centre and was initiated by the 6th European Youth Parliament for Water.

Danube Day Highlights:

- Glodeni workshop engages local people in Danube issues.
- Danube inspires creativity in the *Danube Art Master* and Photo competitions.
- Children lead clean drinking water campaign in Moldovan villages.

“The Danube Rivers, including the Prut River, are more than just water. They show us how different, and yet how much alike we are at the same time.”

Constantin Mihailescu, Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources.

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