

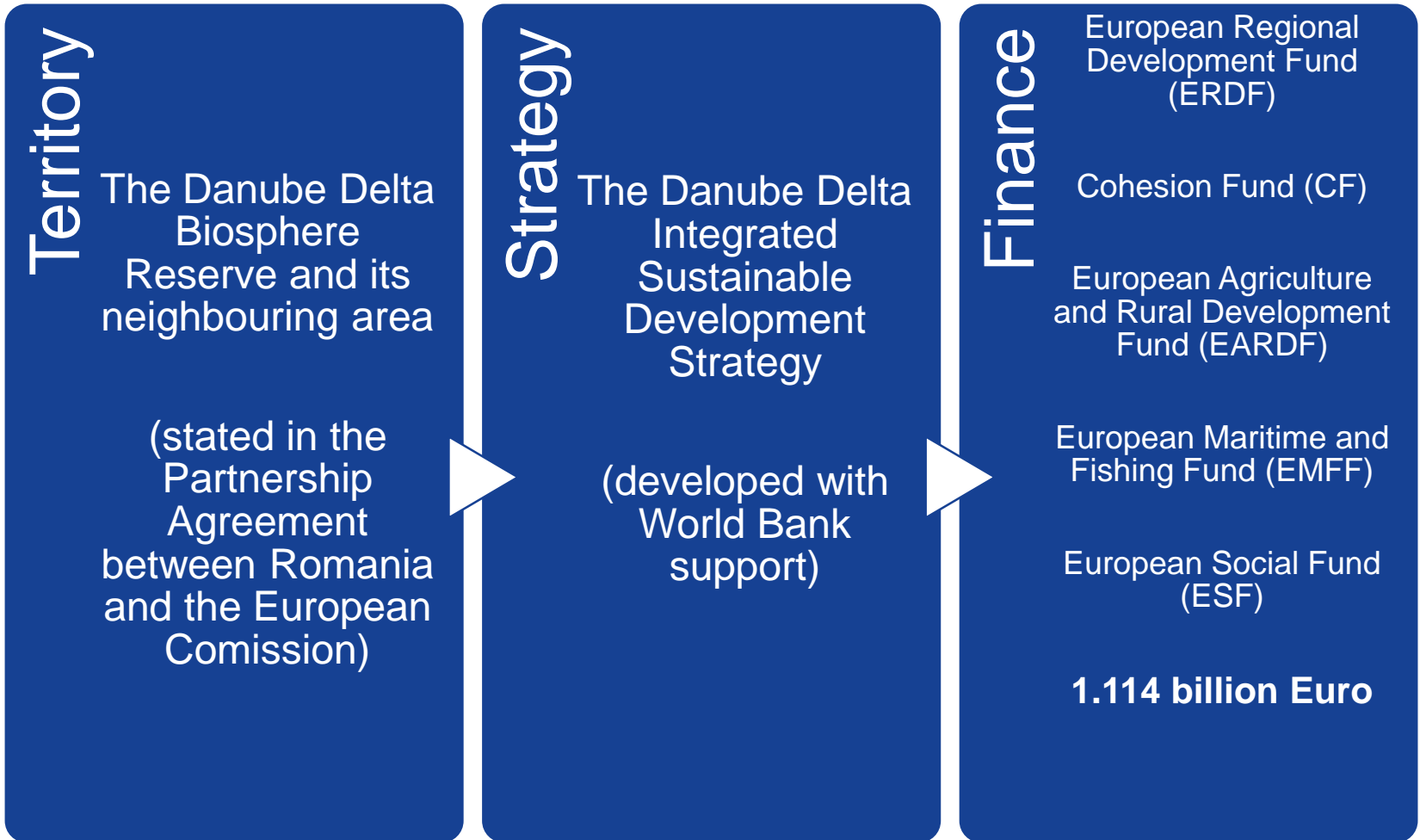


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# Implementation of the Integrated Territorial Investments in Romania

ITI DANUBE DELTA



# The Territorial Integration of the Danube Delta Region

- ❑ Physical and ecological characteristics of DDBR:
  - ✓ the large area of wetlands, including marshes, swamps, lakes, ponds, streams and channels
  - ✓ access to basic social and economic services is limited (such as water supply and sewer systems, the healthcare and education services)
  - ✓ water transport is mostly the only option to reach and travel to areas in the core Delta
  
- ❑ Challenges:
  - ✓ protect the unique natural and cultural assets of the Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve (DDBR)
  - ✓ meet the aspirations of the region's inhabitants to improve their living conditions

# The Territorial Integration of the Danube Delta Region

- ❑ For ITI Danube Delta an integrated project means all the following aiming the same objective:
  - ✓ Different applicants
  - ✓ Diverse needs
  - ✓ Different source of financing
  
- ❑ The tourism potential will remain constrained unless urban services (water, sanitation and waste collection) and tourism infrastructure are improved.
- ❑ Services such as health and education will rely increasingly on virtual communication tools (ICT).
- ❑ More tourism benefits will emerge, once more attractions and recreational fishing, aquaculture, organic farming, guided tours, etc. are developed.
- ❑ Since the natural and cultural assets are the key attraction of the region, restoring, protecting and enhancing them is of utmost priority.

# Accessibility in the Core Delta

## Proposed projects

- Tulcea County - The public waterway transport (will be financed through ROP)
  - Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Authority - Targeted dredging of the channels (will be financed through LIOP)
  - Tulcea County - Develop the ports (particularly Tulcea Port) (will be financed through LIOP)
  - Tulcea City - The mobility within the city based on a mobility plan (will be financed through ROP)
  - Tulcea County - Improved road in the core Delta taking into account some key environmental safeguards (will be financed through ROP)
- ✓ There is a key role for the private sector in operating some of the transport and port facilities in the Danube Delta, and for the public sector to develop an enabling environment for the development of the private sector.

# Tourism in the Danube Delta

## Proposed projects

- ❑ DMO - The institutionalization of a Danube Delta Destination Management Organization (DMO) - necessary to coordinate the management of the region as a travel destination (will be financed from different sources)
- ❑ DDBRA - Border demarcation and signage of strictly protected areas and buffer areas, sport fishing areas, touristic routes, camping, parking areas, etc. (will be financed through LIOP)
- ❑ SMEs – Visitors infrastructure within the area (will be financed through ROP, RDNP, FMAOP)
- ❑ SMEs - Commercial fisheries and aquaculture (will be financed through FMAOP)
- ✓ The success of the interventions regarding the tourism depend on the schedule and success of the interventions in other sectors, such as transport (for improved access and accessibility), education (for workforce development and skill training), healthcare (for improved safety and social services), agriculture and fisheries (for improved economic connections).



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# Thank you!

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