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Bega Channel – past, present and future of inland navigation

ABSTRACT

Bega Channel, one of Timisoara defining elements, is the first projected and constructed Romanian Channel. The name of Bega Channel stands for the sector between Timișoara and Titel locality. The total navigable length is 44 km on Romanian territory and 72 km on Serbia ones. For most of the Timisoara inhabitants, Bega River was a small title of glory, one to be proud of. Even it wasn't a river with a big importance, it had a major quality: was the only navigable Romanian interior river and Timisoara had a harbour.