



Ship loss and land grab. Museum under threat

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A short history of the ship

1913-1944

The side wheeled steam tugboat was built in 1913 in the Budapest shipyard of the Austrian DDSG

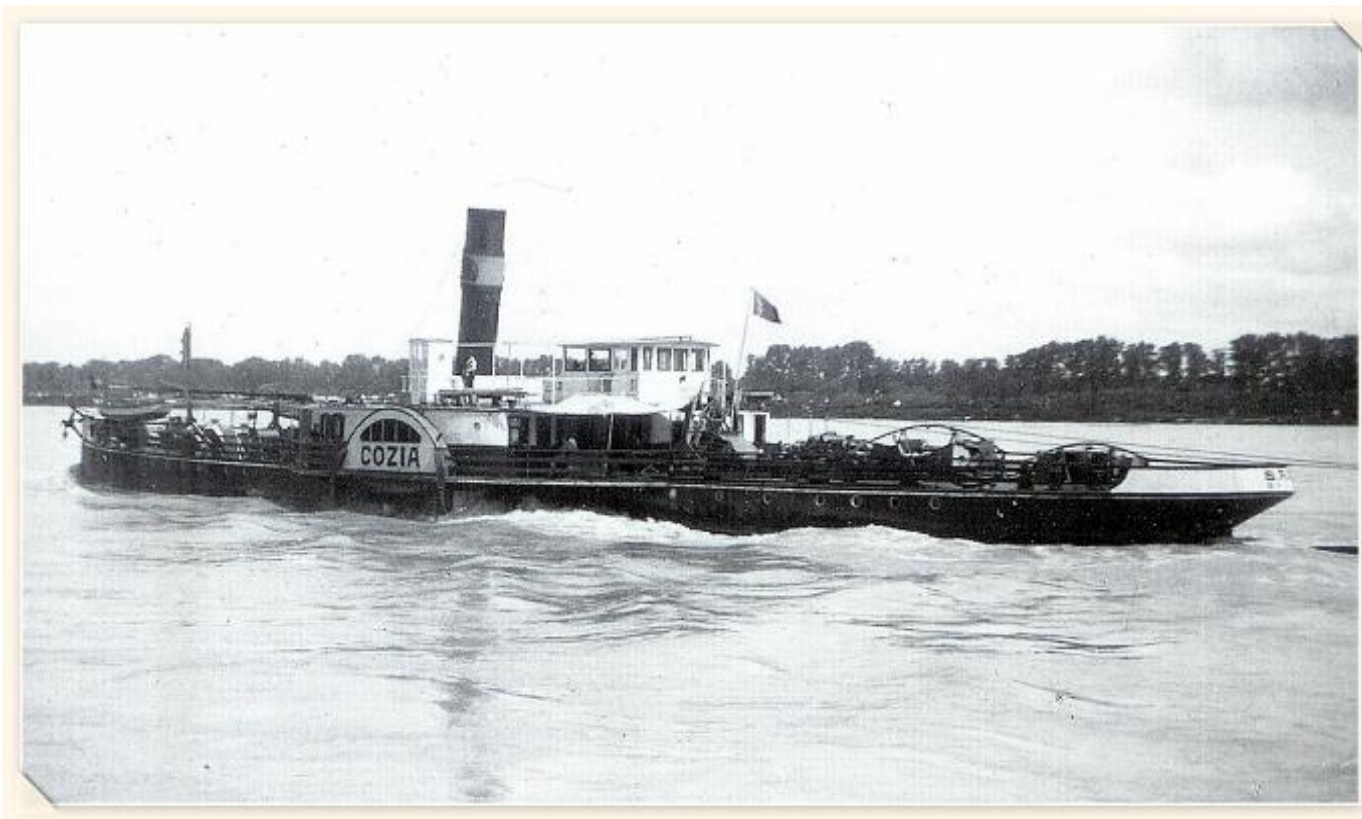
Una under the Austrian flag

Munka under the Hungarian flag

Cozia from 1920 under the Romanian flag for the Romanian Anonymous Society of Danube Navigation (Societate Anonima Romana de Navigare pe Dunare – SRD) from Bucharest

In 1944 captured by Soviet troops on the lower Danube and used as a minesweeper

On December 5, 1944 ship hit the mine and sank on the Danube (km 1.218)



SRD *Cozia* (Societate Anonima Romana de Navigate pe Dunare)

1945-1971

After raising from the water ship was given the name *Župa* which bears till today.

From 1955 the tug was owned by the company for waterways „Ivan Milutinović – PIM“ from Belgrade and was working mostly in the middle Danube area.



1971-2015

In 1971 ship was withdrawn from traffic and since then the owner used it as a houseboat, permanently located in the area of the Belgrade Sava pier.

In the decades that followed, the most significant change in the ship's status was its designation as a cultural property of the Republic of Serbia on November 28, 2005.

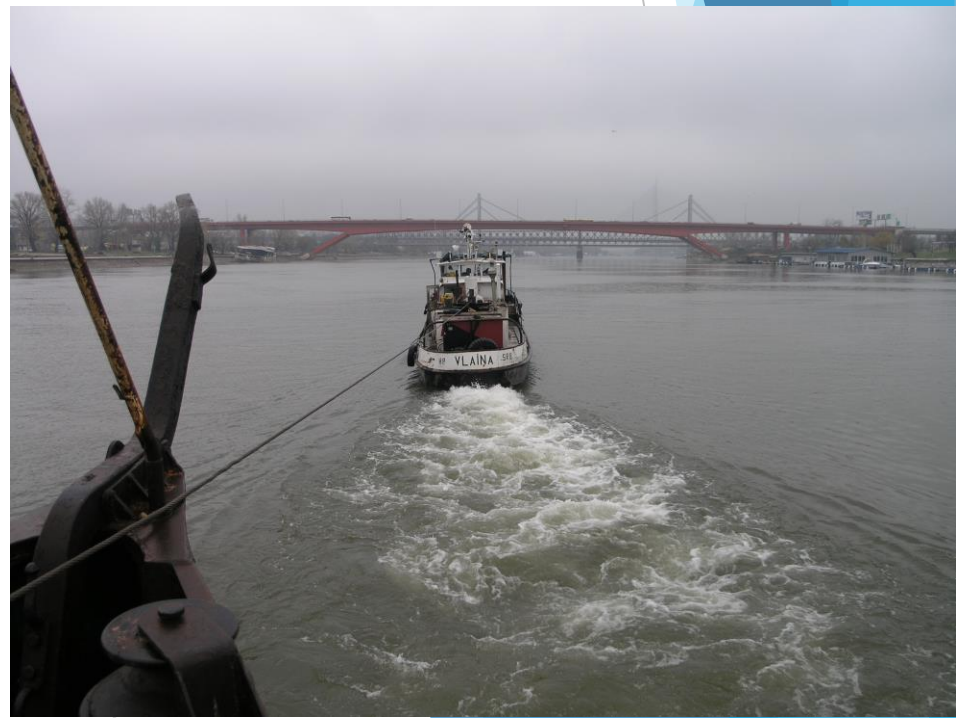




Župa in Belgrade, on Sava river

2015

In July 2015 Museum got the steamboat *Župa* as a gift. On November 26 the ship was transported to its new location - at the Shipyard "Brodotehnika" in Makis, owned by the Commercial Company for Foreign and Domestic Trade and Services "Gat Egal" from Belgrade.





Moving to the new location, November 2015

2015-2020

The Museum (Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Serbia) was paying on monthly basis for almost five years for guarding the ship.

Final result: it sank at the end of August 2020.

Until this moment none of the attempts of the Museum to find a solution and funds for the extraction, reconstruction and conversion of the ship, have brought any results.





Župa at the bottom of the Sava river



Museum of Science and Technology – Belgrade
in the building of the Thermal Power Station

The building of the first Belgrade Thermal Power Station is from 1928, and since 2005 it has been the seat of the Museum of Science and Technology.

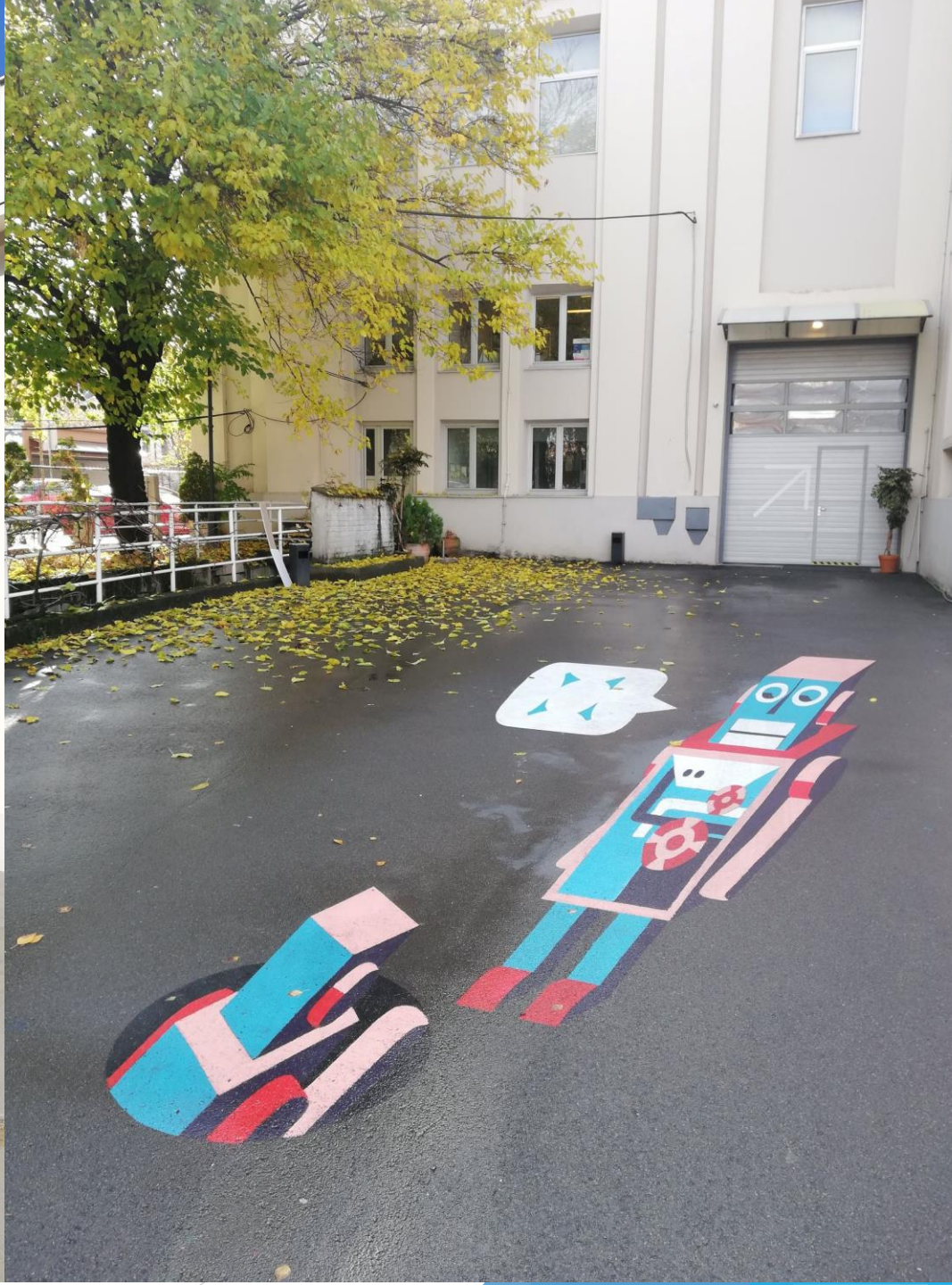




Museum of Science and Technology, side view



Museum of Science and Technology, view from the back yard









GOLD LEACHING

One of the workshops for which we use the museum yard

Kids are taking home small pieces of gold that they found during the workshop



The cadastral plot on which the museum is located is the state property on which as users are registered Electric company of the Republic of Serbia and the Museum of Science and Technology.

General urban plan anticipates the construction of a power transformer station in the yard of the museum whose main visitors are children!

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