

## DAY 1

TUESDAY, 23 APRIL 2024

DRAFT PROGRAMME (05/04/24)

**9:00 REGISTRATION & WELCOME COFFEE**

**10:00 HIGH-LEVEL OPENING (Master of Ceremony: Adrian Stanica, DOORS Coordinator)**

- Romanian Ministry of Science and Innovation, Name TBC
- Elisabetta Balzi, European Commission, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, Head of Unit “Oceans, Seas and Waters”
- Andreea Strachinescu, European Commission Directorate-General for Maritime Policy and Blue Economy, Head of Unit “Maritime innovation, Marine Knowledge and Investment”
- HE Giles Portman, British Embassy in Romania, Ambassador
- Mihaela Candea Mirea, Black Sea Assistance Mechanism
- Angiolo Boncompagni, Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership
- Irina Makarenko, Black Sea Commission for the Protection of the Environment
- Lazar Comanescu, Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization, Ambassador
- Stavros Kalognomos, CPMR Balkan & Black Sea Commission

**11:00 SESSION 1: DOORS TO DIGITAL OCEAN (Moderator: Violeta Slabakova, IO-BAS, Bulgaria)**

**Keynote:** Andrew Tyler, University of Stirling, UK

**Panel discussion:** Dian Dimov, Port of Burgas (Bulgaria) ● Baris Salihoglu, BRIDGE-BS/METU (Turkey)

- Laura Boicenco, ANEMONE ● Irina Makarenko, Black Sea Commission

**12:30 LUNCH & NETWORKING**

**13:30 SESSION 2: DOORS TO SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY (Moderator: Jessica Giannoumis, UCC (Ireland))**

**Keynote:** Catherine Frideres, BlueInvest / PwC Accelerator (online)

**Panel discussion:** Eleni Manousiadi, Kantor ● Pavel Velkov, Morningside Hill Capital Management (Bulgaria)

- Mamuka Berdzenishvili, CMA National Hub & Tourism Institute (Georgia)
- Mihai Sfintescu, Abilito Capital (Romania) ● Jeremy Gault, Simply Blue Group

**14:50 COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING**

**15:20 SESSION 3: DOORS TO ENHANCED CAPACITY (Moderator: Martha Papathanassiou, BRIDGE-BS)**

**Keynote:** Milen Baltov, University of Burgas (Bulgaria)

**Panel discussion:** Nino Chkhobadze, Greens Movement of Georgia ● Dina Eparkhina, EuroGOOS

- Marian Paiu, Mare Nostrum (Romania) ● Rory Scarrott, UCC (Ireland)

**16:40 EUROPEAN RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES FOR THE BLACK SEA (Moderator: Mary Pina, EMBRC)**

**Speakers:** Inga Lips, EuroGOOS ● Yann-Herve DeRoek, Euro-Argo ● Gabriella Quaranta, EMSO-ERIC

- Adrian Stanica, DANUBIUS-RI ● Alberto Basset, LifeWatch ● Mary Pina, EMBRC

**17:40 POSTER SESSION**

**18:40 NETWORKING RECEPTION**

**20:00 CLOSE OF DAY 1**

## DAY 2

WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL 2024

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### 10:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS – CO-DESIGN WORKSHOPS #1

**Workshop A: Digital Ocean (Moderator:** Andrew Tyler, University of Stirling, (UK))

This workshop will discuss the scientific and technical capabilities of the DOORS System of Systems – an integrated platform for near-real-time in situ and remote sensing data for the Black Sea.

**Workshop B: Blue Economy Accelerator (Moderator:** Eleni Manousiadi, Kantor)

This workshop will showcase the Blue Growth Accelerator programme jointly launched by DOORS and BRIDGE-BS and discuss innovation financing in the Black Sea.

### 11:00 COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING

### 11:30 PARALLEL SESSIONS – CO-DESIGN WORKSHOPS #2

**Workshop C: Scientific methods to deliver policy advice (Moderator:** Kalioppi Pagou, HCMR (Greece))

This workshop will analyse the implementation of environmental strategies and policies in the Black Sea and discuss the DOORS results.

**Workshop D: Training and capacity enhancement (Moderator:** Rory Scarrott, UCC (Ireland))

This workshop will address life-long learning and early career development programmes in the Black Sea and take stock of the DOORS Early-Stage Researcher Exchange Programme.

### 12:30 PARALLEL SESSIONS – CO-DESIGN WORKSHOPS #3

**Workshop E: DOORS System of System user uptake (Moderator:** Jos Brils, Deltares (Netherlands))

This workshop will discuss the value proposition of the digital marine knowledge platform of DOORS and its user uptake.

**Workshop F: Ocean literacy & youth engagement (Moderator:** Andreea Ionascu, Mare Nostrum (Romania))

This workshop will discuss youth engagement and ocean literacy activities in the Black Sea and analyse the progress of the DOORS Ocean Literacy Network.

### 13:30 LUNCH & NETWORKING

### 14:30 REPORTS FROM CO-DESIGN WORKSHOPS AND DISCUSSION

**Moderators:** Vangelis Papathanassiou, DOORS & Sigi Gruber, European Commission

- Highlights from stakeholder co-design workshops & moderated discussion with audience.

### 16:00 COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING

### 16:15 FRONTIERS IN BLACK SEA SCIENCE

**Keynote:** Adrian Stanica, DOORS Coordinator, GeoEcoMar (Romania)

### 16:30 CONFERENCE CONCLUSIONS AND CALL TO ACTION

**Panel discussion:** Adrian Stanica, DOORS Coordinator ● Baris Salihoglu, BRIDGE-BS Coordinator

- Andreea Strachinescu, European Commission DG MARE ● Wendy Bonne, European Commission DG RTD

### 17:30 END OF CONFERENCE

- Adrian Stanica, DOORS Coordinator