

Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership

Blue Economy for a Sustainable Black Sea (BEStBS)

Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership Regional Workshop

Sofia, International Business School 17 October 2024, 9:00-17:00 (EEST = CEST + 1)



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AGENDA

09:00	Arrival and registration	
09:30	<i>Welcome</i> Moderator: Karina Angelieva, Strategies advisor for innovation and growth	 Message from the European Commission, the Bulgarian authorities and the Partnership Coordinator Minister of Innovation and Growth of Bulgaria (TBC) Iliana Ivanova (TBC), Commissioner Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth Irina Makarenko, Pollution Monitoring and Assessment Officer, Black Sea Commission (TBC) Elisabetta Balzi, Head of Unit Ocean, Seas and Waters, Deputy Director Healthy Planet at European Commission, DG Research and Innovation
10:00	Setting the scene/1: framing the Partnership event in the light of the Black Sea High Tech summit Moderator: Angiolo Boncompagni, Italian Ministry of Universities and Research (MUR)	 The EU Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership, from the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda to the Intervention Areas Kathrine Angell-Hansen, Research Council Norway (RCN), Chair of the Partnership Genaral Assembly Synergies: opportunities from funding streamlining and the shared use of Research Infrastructures Viorel Vulturescu, Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digitalization (MCID), Romania, Vice Chair of the Partnership General Assembly
10:20	Setting the scene/2: the voice of the Partnership Black Sea Nodes Moderator: Milen Baltov, Burgas Free University (BFU), Bulgaria, Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership Black Sea Node	 Interconnecting the Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership and the Black Sea Strategic Research and Innovation Agendas Ebru Soyuyüce Aydın, Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TUBITAK), Turkey, Jobava Rusudan, Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation of Georgia (SRNSFG), Georgia, Olena Marushevska, Bluerivers, Ukraine, Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership Black Sea Node
10:40	Panel discussion: towards a portfolio of projects	 Zeynep Cetecioglu Gurol, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Sweden Partnership cofunded project on 'Improved valorization of marine sources and processing waste for resource efficient blue

Moderator:	food/feed and environmentally sustainable materials				
Mihaela Mirea,	development - SEAREFINERY'				
Black Sea					
Assistance • Daniela Coppola, Stazione Zoologica Anton Dhorn					
Mechanism	(SZN), Italy				
coordinator	Partnership cofunded project on 'From waste to taste: exploring innovative food applications of postharvest fish losses —				

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 Dan Vasiliu, National Institute for Research and Development of Marine Geology and Geoecology (GEOECOMAR), Romania

Cross-Border MARitime Spatial PLANning in the Black Sea - MARSPLAN

Q&A with the audience

11:10		Coffee break	
11:40		Cross-basin dialogue Med- Black-Baltic Sea on intertwins of blue economy with climate and	 Mediterranean Sea >> Mario Dogliani, Westmed, Green Shipping, Italy (TBC) Black Sea >> Barış Salihoglu, Middle East Technical University (METU), Türkiye
		green transition Moderator: Elisabbetta Balzi, European	 Baltic Sea >> Maciej Zdanowicz, NCBR, Poland Intervention on BONUS
		Commission – DG RTD	Q&A with the audience
12:10		Rountable - Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership perspective on how to uptake pojects' results to the market: connecting with innovation and business players Moderator: Matteo Bocci, Black Sea Accelerator	 Andreea Strachinescu, European Commission, Head of Unit, DG-MARE Aleksander Olsen, Innovation Norway
			 Eleni Manousiadi, Kantor Management Consultants, The Black Sea Accelerator
			 Şafak Özsoy, Director, TULIP Sustainability Center, Türkiye
			 Hristo Stoykov, Director "Advisory Services", European Investment Bank, Luxembourg (TBC)
			 Ivaylo Ivanov, Chairman of the Maritime Infrastructure Holding Company

Q&A with the audience

13:10	Showcase session (3' pitches): Digitalisation and	 Elitza Stoilova, CEO of Umni Al Chatbot platform, Sofia Bulgaria Chasing Al in tourism
	sensitive technologies Moderator: Black Sea Young Ambassador (Tatiana	 Emre Yemişken, Tetis Biotechnology and Faculty of Science, Department of Biology at Istanbul University Integrating IoT and AI in Green Tech Marine Bioactive Manufacturing
	Sitchinava,Georgia & Angela Goncaer, Moldova)	 Ioana Petre, SC BEIA CONSULT INTERNATIONAL SRL, Romania (TBC) Drone for Smart Ports and Anchorages
13:30	Networking lunch	
14:30	World café	Engagement of the audience by Julie Oliver, Project Management Jülich (FZJ), Germany, together with the Partnership Black Sea Nodes and the Black Sea Young Ambassadors (Tatiana Sitchinava, Georgia & Angela Goncaer, Moldova)
15:30	Panel discussion on synergies / 1: capitalizing on Black Sea networks for a Common Maritime Agenda	 Boryana Stancheva, Association of Danube River municipalities, ECOsystem-based governance with Danube lighthouse Living Lab for sustainable Innovation processes (EcoDaLLi) From source to sink – the Mission Restore our Ocean and Waters in the Danubius region and Black Sea basin
	Moderator: Mustafa Yucel, Middle East Technical University (METU), Türkiye	 Pinar Uygurer, Middle East Technical University (METU), Türkiye, Project manager of Black Sea CONNECT and BRIDGE-BS Linking the Common Maritime Agenda to Black Sea SRIA implementation
		 Adrian Stanica, National Institute for Research and Development of Marine Geology and Geoecology (GEOECOMAR), Romania How to 'open doors' (and infrastrucutres) for research and innovation in the Black Sea
		Q&A with the audience
16:00	Comfort break	Continuous coffee served
16:10	Panel discussion on synergies / 2: international	 Violeta Slabakova, Institute of Oceonology Varna, Bulgaria

	dimension and the Common Maritime Agenda	The System of System (SoS) Results under the DOORS project - Developing Optimal and Open Research Support' for the Black Sea
	Moderator: Julie Oliver, Project Management Jülich (FZJ), Germany	 Stavros Kalognomos, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPRM) Executive Secretary, Balkan & Black Sea Commission Engaging regional authorities for a sustainable blue economy
		 Rositsa Stoeva, Executive Manager at the Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS), Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) Economic cooperation supporting the Common Maritime Agenda
		• Stoyan Kotov, Ministry of Environment, Bulgaria Aligning monitoring programmes: what's next for the MSFD. A perspective from the GES Working Group
		 Tudor Castravet, "Ion Creanga" Pedagogical State University, Chisinau, Moldova (TBC) Towards Partnership's widening and international cooperation Q&A with the audience
16:50	Forward looking conclusions: opportunities from the Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership	Margherita Cappelletto, Italian Minsitry of Universities and Research (MUR), Coordinator of the Partnership
17:00	End of the workshop	

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More information on the Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership:



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