



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	▶	<p><i>Welcome</i></p> <p>Moderator: Karina Angelieva, Strategies advisor for innovation and growth</p>	<p><i>Message from the European Commission, the Bulgarian authorities and the Partnership Coordinator</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	▶	<p><i>Setting the scene/1: framing the Partnership event in the light of the Black Sea High Tech summit</i></p> <p>Moderator: Angiolo Boncompagni, Italian Ministry of Universities and Research (MUR)</p>	<p><i>The EU Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership, from the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda to the Intervention Areas</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kathrine Angell-Hansen, Research Council Norway (RCN), Chair of the Partnership General Assembly <p><i>Synergies: opportunities from funding streamlining and the shared use of Research Infrastructures</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Viorel Vulturescu, Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digitalization (MCID), Romania, Vice Chair of the Partnership General Assembly
10:20	▶	<p><i>Setting the scene/2: the voice of the Partnership Black Sea Nodes</i></p> <p>Moderator: Milan Baltov, Burgas Free University (BFU), Bulgaria, Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership Black Sea Node</p>	<p><i>Interconnecting the Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership and the Black Sea Strategic Research and Innovation Agendas</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ebru Soyuyüce Aydın, Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TUBITAK), Turkey,• Jobava Rusudan, Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation of Georgia (SRNSFG), Georgia,• Olena Marushevskaya, Bluerivers, Ukraine, Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership Black Sea Node
10:40	▶	<p><i>Panel discussion: towards a portfolio of projects</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zeynep Cetecioglu Gurol, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Sweden <p><i>Partnership cofunded project on 'Improved valorization of marine sources and processing waste for resource efficient blue</i></p>

Moderator: *food/feed and environmentally sustainable materials development - SEAREFINERY'*
 Mihaela Mirea, Black Sea Assistance Mechanism coordinator

- Daniela Coppola, Stazione Zoologica Anton Dhorn (SZN), Italy

Partnership cofunded project on 'From waste to taste: exploring innovative food applications of postharvest fish losses – WASTE2TASTE'

- 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		<i>Cross-basin dialogue Med-Black-Baltic Sea on intertwins of blue economy with climate and green transition</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mediterranean Sea</i> >> Mario Dogliani, Westmed, Green Shipping, Italy (TBC) • <i>Black Sea</i> >> Barış Salihoglu, Middle East Technical University (METU), Türkiye • <i>Baltic Sea</i> >> Maciej Zdanowicz, NCBR, Poland <p><i>Intervention on BONUS</i></p> <p>Q&A with the audience</p>
12:10		<i>Rountable - Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership perspective on how to uptake projects' results to the market: connecting with innovation and business players</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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

*dimension and
the Common
Maritime Agenda*

Moderator:
Julie Oliver, Project
Management Jülich
(FZJ), Germany

*The System of System (SoS) Results under the DOORS project
- Developing Optimal and Open Research Support' for the
Black Sea*

- 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	▶	<i>Forward looking conclusions: opportunities from the Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership</i>	Margherita Cappelletto, Italian Ministry of Universities and Research (MUR), Coordinator of the Partnership
17:00	▶	End of the workshop	

More information on the Sustainable
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