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**BLUEING
THE
BLACK SEA**



Stakeholder Webinar

***CONSULTATIONS ON
THE DESIGN OF BLUEING THE BLACK SEA PROGRAMME -
A REGIONAL INITIATIVE TO TACKLE MARINE POLLUTION AND
CLIMATE CHANGE IN SUPPORT OF
THE COMMON MARITIME AGENDA FOR THE BLACK SEA***

Thursday, 22 April 2021, 14.30-16.45 (Bucharest, GMT+3)

Online with simultaneous translation

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14.30 – 15.00	WELCOME ADDRESS
<u>Speakers:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Amb. Michael B. CHRISTIDES, Secretary General, Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS), Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) • Mr. Ionuț-Sorin BANCIU, Secretary of State, Ministry of Environment, Waters and Forests of Romania • Ms. Gallina A. VINCELETTE, Country Director for the European Union (EU), World Bank • Ms. Kseniya LVOVSKY, Practice Manager for Environment, Natural Resources, and Blue Economy in Europe and Central Asia (ENB ECA), World Bank • Ms. Iryna MAKARENKO, Pollution Monitoring and Assessment Officer, Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution
<u>Moderator:</u>	Mr. Alexandru Cosmin BUTEICĂ , Environmental Specialist, World Bank
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15.00 – 15.30	SESSION 1: “INTEGRATED NUTRIENT POLLUTION CONTROL” PROJECT
	<p>This session will present as a regional good practice the Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control Project implemented by the Ministry of Environment, Waters, and Forests through World Bank support. The Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control Project is implemented in selected localities that are vulnerable or potentially vulnerable to the pollution of nutrients, bringing important environmental and social-economic benefits for Romania. The overall development objective of this project is to support the Government of Romania towards meeting its obligations related to the implementation of EU Water Framework Directive and particularly EU Nitrates Directive requirements by (a) reducing nutrients discharges to water bodies, (b) promoting behavioral changes at the communal level, and (c) strengthening institutional and regulatory capacity. Project interventions are designed to reduce the discharge of nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorous) into water bodies leading to the Danube and the Black Sea over the long term, through integrated land and water management.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p>
<u>Speaker:</u>	Ms. Naiana MILEA , Director, “Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control” Project Management Unit, Ministry of Environment, Waters, and Forests;
<u>Moderator:</u>	Mr. Cesar NICULESCU , Senior Environmental Specialist, World Bank

15.30 – 16.00	SESSION 2: BLUEING THE BLACK SEA PROGRAM (BBSEA): TURNING THE TIDE OF POLLUTION IN THE BLACK SEA
<p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u></p>	<p>Session 2 will present the concept of the <i>Regional Blueing the Black Sea Programme</i> (BBSEA) with a specific focus on its analytical component. The latter represents a World Bank-led effort to establish an up-to-date diagnostic of the state of play and the issues at stake regarding marine pollution in the Black Sea on the example of the efforts of the coastal countries. Through a targeted discussion the panel will aim to identify the sources, impacts, and prevention efforts (information and institutional gaps) related to marine pollution in the Black Sea basin. The findings will feed into a regional level pollution diagnostic paper, which, in turn, will inform the BBSEA program.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p><i>Mr. Owen MCINTYRE</i>, BBSEA legal expert, LL.M. Director, University College Cork</p> <p><i>Mr. Nicola BERTOLINI</i>, BBSEA pollution expert, Manager, Ambiente SPA</p> <p><i>Ms. Iryna MAKARENKO</i>, Pollution Monitoring and Assessment Officer, Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Poll and Q & A Session</i></p>
16.00 – 16.30	SESSION 3: BLUEING THE BLACK SEA PROGRAM: BBSEA GEF PROJECT
<p><u>Speaker:</u></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u></p>	<p>Session 3 will centre on the investment component of the planned BBSEA – a regional project funded by the Global Environmental Facility. The discussion will contribute to the understanding of the priorities of public authorities and private stakeholders with respect to the overall project and its parts and to the promotion of eco-sustainable business practices, innovation, and finance that support pollution reduction. The session will touch upon avenues to involve financial institutions in funding and promoting green technology investments, focusing on pollution reduction.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p><i>Ms. Rositsa STOEVA</i>, Executive Manager, Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS), Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC); BBSEA Project Manager</p> <p><i>Ms. Mihaela CANDEA MIREA</i>, Director Executive, ONG Mare Nostrum; Common Maritime Agenda National Hub of Romania</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Poll and Q & A Session</i></p>
16.30 – 16.45	WRAP-UP OF THE DISCUSSIONS AND CLOSING REMARKS
<u>Speakers:</u>	<p><i>Ms. Rositsa STOEVA</i>, Executive Manager, BSEC PERMIS; BBSEA Project Manager</p> <p><i>Ms. Bérengère PRINCE</i>, Lead Natural Resources Management Specialist, World Bank</p>