



REST-COAST WORKSHOP

**7-9 OCTOBER 2024,
THESSALONIKI, GREECE**

Monday, 7 October 2024

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Welcoming reception hosted by the BSEC PERMIS, [MonAsty Hotel](#)

Tuesday, 8 October 2024 – Day 1

**Bridging Gaps in Coastal Restoration:
Ecology, Economy, Engineering and Society**

Draft Agenda

9:30 am to 10.00 am	Registration – Electra Palace Hotel
	Session 1: Background for Upscaling Coastal Restoration
10:00 am to 10.30 am	Restoration challenges, barriers and enablers (REST-COAST, Nuno Caiola)
10:30 am to 11.00 am	Understanding the system, long term impacts of measures and SLR on sediments and ESS, Wadden Sea example (REST-COAST, Richard Marijnissen)
11:00 am to 11.15 am	Coffee break
	Session 2: Translating Restoration into Co-benefits (economic and environmental)
11:15 am to 11.45 am	EWS/indicators to enhance and assess restoration benefits (REST-COAS, Manuel Espino)
11:45 am to 12.15 pm	Using local-scale modelling to assess the global-scale coastal protection value of coastal wetland restoration (REST-COAST, Mark Schuerch)
12:15 pm to 12.45 pm	Restoration through a building blocks approach

	(REST-COAST, Cengiz Arslan)
12:45 pm to 13.15 pm	Support for decision makers on coastal restoration, strategies, pathways and implementation planning, methods and tooling, pilots examples (REST-COAST, Yuting Tai)
13:15 pm to 14.30 pm	Lunch hosted by the BSEC PERMIS
	Session 3: Business Plans and Funding for Restoration Upscaling
14:30 pm to 15.00 pm	Financial innovation for coastal restoration (REST-COAST, Jochen Hinkel)
15:00 pm to 15.30 pm	Bankable business plans in coastal restoration (REST-COAST, Umberto Pernice)
15:30 pm to 16.00 pm	Coffee break
16:00 pm to 16.30 pm	Multi-level governance of coastal restoration up-scaling (REST-COAST, Fausto Favero)
16:30 pm to 17:00 pm	Advancing Marine Sustainability through Digital Twin What-If Scenarios in Nature-Based Solutions (REST-COAST, Joanna Staneva)
17:00 pm to 17.20 pm	Free discussion and networking
17:20 pm to 17.30 pm	Closure of Day 1

Wednesday, 9 October 2024 – Day 2

Synergies & Knowledge Transfer: from REST-COAST to the Black Sea region

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9:30 am to 10.00 am	Welcome and Opening of Day 2 – Electra Palace Hotel (BSEC and REST-COAST)
	Session 1: Good Practices for Restoration within the Political Framework
10:00 am to 10.30 am	Keynote Speech: Decontamination and restoration in the new Thessaloniki Shoreline Plan (Apostolos Tzitzikostas, President of the Association of Greek Regions, TBC)
10:30 am to 11.00 am	Policy change for upscaling restoration (REST-COAST, Jochen Hinkel)

11:00 am to 11.15 am	Coffee break
	Session 2: Restoration Initiatives in the Black Sea
11:15 am to 11.45 am	Coastal Ecosystem Restoration through Nature-Based Solutions that reduce coastal erosion in the Foros Bay, Bulgaria (IO-BAS, Nikolay Valchev)
11:45 am to 12.15 pm	Prof. Mustafa Yücel, Deputy Director at the Institute of Marine Sciences, Middle East Technical University (METU) (TBC)
12:15 pm to 12.45 pm	ARSINOE project: Climate-resilient regions through systemic solutions and innovations (ARSINOE, Giannis Adamos)
12:45 pm to 13.15 pm	ARSINOE project: The Black Sea virtual watershed case study (ARSINOE, Nicolaos Theodossiou)
13:15 pm to 14.30 pm	Light lunch hosted by the BSEC PERMIS
	Session 3: Local Governance for Conservation and Restoration
14:30 pm to 15.00 pm	Restoration platforms and contracts (REST-COAST, Agustín Sánchez-Arcilla)
15:00 pm to 15.30 pm	MPA Europe – Mapping optimal locations for MPAs in European Seas (CLIMAZUL, Thanos Smanis)
15:30 pm to 16.00 pm	Coffee break
16:00 pm to 16.30 pm	Framework and leadership for restoration (REST-COAST, Boris Barov)
16:30 pm to 16:50 pm	Booklet presentation from REST-COAST to the Black Sea by the International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS)
16:50 pm to 17.20 pm	Free discussion and networking
17:20 pm to 17.30 pm	Closure of Day 2

Thursday, 10 October 2024

09.30 am – 15.00 - half-day sightseeing tour to [The Aigai Archaeological Site](#) (offered by BSEC PERMIS) – optional (information about the pick-up location will be disseminated to the participants of the tour in due course)