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PRESS RELEASE

Within the Black Sea CONNECT Project - Coordination of marine and maritime research and innovation in the Black Sea, the Black Sea Universities Network (BSUN) has organized the first Mobile Caravan event, aiming the promotion of the "Blue Growth" strategy with an emphasis on the issues related to the importance of watercourses, the conservation of the quality of the marine and coastal environment, but also the perspectives and implications of Sustainable Development in the coastal areas.

The event took place on 11th of June, 2021, in Sfântu Gheorghe (Saint George Gymnasium) located in the Danube Delta, with the participation of students from the Saint George Gymnasium School, under the guidance of Prof. Adnana Mihaela Pătrășcoiu, Headmaster.

In the opening of the event, Prof. Eden Mamut, Secretary General of BSUN, presented to the students the "Blue Growth" initiative and the Black Sea Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda.

In order to emphasize the importance of raising awareness among the young generation, by understanding the issues related to the Black Sea and the existence of challenges regarding its protection, Prof. Mamut described the activities developed under the frame of the Black Sea CONNECT project, funded by the European Union's Horizon 2020, which aims to be a key tool in initiating the process of implementing the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda in the field of "Blue Growth" in the Black Sea area.

The young students benefited of a special session program on subjects related to sustainability, the importance of the Danube River in connectivity with the Black Sea basin, but also subjects related to biomass-based energy sources for renewable energy production.

This program was attended by the following lecturers: Dr. Bianca Pavel, National Research and Development Institute for Marine Geology and Geoecology - GeoEcoMar (online connection), Prof. Dr. Enrico Sciubba, University "Niccolo Cusano" and Mr. Iuliean Hornet, EcoHornet Ltd. (online connection).

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