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International Workshop on: “The Cultural Dimension of the Ports from the Black Sea and Danube Region”



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Location: Passenger Terminal Hall, Constanta Port

Hybrid event



BLACK SEA CRUISE
SUSTAINABLE SMALL-SCALE
CRUISING/YACHTING



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Background

The **Strategic Research & Innovation Agenda (SRIA) on Blue Growth in the Black Sea region** was launched on 8th of May 2019, in Bucharest, Romania, during the Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union. The Black Sea SRIA and its implementation plan will guide stakeholders to address together with the fundamental Black Sea challenges, to promote blue growth and economic prosperity of the Black Sea region, to build critical support systems and innovative research infrastructure, and improve education and capacity building.

The **Common Maritime Agenda for the Black Sea** is set as a follow-up to the commitment of the 2018 Burgas Ministerial Declaration “Towards a Common Maritime Agenda for the Black Sea”. The agenda focuses on activities related to “blue economy”, targeting a sustainable economic development of the region.

Black Sea CONNECT is a coordination and support action which scientifically, technically, and logistically supports the Black Sea Blue Growth Initiative towards the implementation of the Burgas Vision Paper, with a view on boosting the blue economy in the region. The overall objective is to coordinate the development of the Black Sea SRIA and its implementation plan both at the national and regional levels.

BLACK SEA CRUISE - Sustainable Small-Scale cruising/yachting is an international project supported by the European Commission as part of the Action “Support to the Implementation of the Eastern Partnership Multilateral Dimension and the Implementation of the Northern Dimension and the Black Sea Synergy - BSEC PERMIS (ENI/2020/421-957)” and coordinated by the International Center for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS). The main objectives of the project are to analyze the current state of the situation, as well as the environmental and social & economic potential for new development of innovative/original models of small cruises/yachting and identify potential problems.

The Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe Programme was launched in 1987 as an initiative to promote a better knowledge and understanding of the common European heritage. There are currently more than 30 certified networks that provide a wide range of leisure and education activities for all citizens in Europe and beyond. These networks cover various topics, from architecture, cultural landscapes, gastronomy to prominent figures in European art, music or literature. The University Network for Cultural Routes Studies is a network of Universities interested in the study of Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe. The Network aims to encourage the conduct of research on Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe related issues, encourage students to undertake their academic research on Cultural Routes, jointly apply for European Grants with the EICR, participate in the annual programme of activities of the EICR and offer scientific advice where required.

Black Sea Universities Network, in collaboration with **University of Bucharest, Institute of Advanced Studies for Culture and Civilization of the Levant** and

National Company Administration of Maritime Ports Constanta are organizing an event dedicated to Romanian Navy Day.

Purpose

The event shall be dedicated to the celebration of Romanian Navy Day, for promoting the collaboration between port administrations from the Black Sea and Danube region.

The format of the event shall consist on a standard brokerage event to facilitate the presentation of successful projects and the promotion of new partnerships for project proposals for enhancing the cultural dimension of the ports from the Black Sea and Danube region, promoting the existing heritage, facilitating the collaboration with various interest groups and involvement in education and innovation initiatives.

Participants

At the event, there will be invited port administrators, experts, decision makers, government representatives, representatives of local authorities, academics, students, researchers, ambassadors and representatives of diplomatic missions of EU and neighboring countries and other international organizations, journalists.

Program

10.00 - Registration of participants

10.30 - Plenary Session on: **“The Cultural Dimension of the Ports from the Black Sea and Danube Region”**

Speakers:

Dr. Olena ZHUKOVA, Executive Director, Ukrainian Maritime Cluster

Acad. Cornelia-Sabina ISPAS, Director, "Constantin Brăiloiu" Institute of Ethnography and Folklore of the Romanian Academy
(*online connection*) – *“The Ballads of the Danube River”*

Mrs. Georgiana TALABĂ, Counselor, Romanian Ministry of Entrepreneurship and Tourism

Keynote presentation - *“The Museum of the Constanta Port” (on-site)*

Dr. Mihai-Bogdan MARIAN, Expert, Institute for Advanced Studies in Levantine Culture and Civilization Center of Excellence of the World Academy of Arts and Sciences – *“The Istro-Pontic ports, place of interference of cultures and civilizations across millennia”*

11.30 - Plenary Session on: **“Funding Opportunities for Cultural, Innovation and Outreach Activities of Ports”**

Moderator:

Mrs. Manuela BACIU, Project Coordinator, Enterprise Europe Network

Speakers:

Ms. Andreea PRESURA, Expert, Black Sea Universities Network – International Permanent Secretariat

12.30 - Buffet lunch

13.30 - Plenary Session on: **“Successful Projects on Cultural Heritage, Achievements and the Potential of the Ports”**

Speakers:

Mrs. Vesna BALTINA, Deputy Mayor, Burgas Municipality (*online connection*) – *“Burgas: Fostering the Blue Economy through a Sustainable Way of Life”*

14.30 - Coffee Break

15.00 - Plenary Session on: “Project Proposals for Promoting Cultural Entrepreneurship and Cooperation between the Ports”

Moderator:

Dr. Olena ZHUKOVA, Executive Director, Ukrainian Maritime Cluster

Speakers:

H.E. Emil CONSTANTINESCU, President, Institute for Advanced Studies in Levantine Culture and Civilization Center of Excellence of the World Academy of Arts and Sciences

Conf. dr. Alexandra LITU, Conf. dr. Valentin BOTTEZ, University of Bucharest – *“Potential contributions of the University of Bucharest for research and knowledge exchange in the field of culture heritage”*

16.00 - Conclusions & Closure of the event

Prof. Dr. Eden MAMUT, Secretary General, Black Sea Universities Network – *“European Cultural Route on Port Cities in the Istro-Pontic Space”*

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