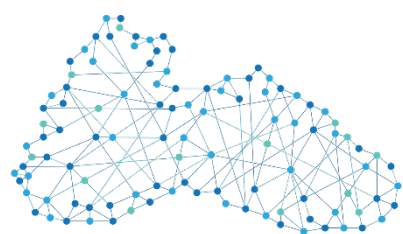


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Coordination of Marine and Maritime Research and Innovation in the Black Sea (Black Sea CONNECT)

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Black Sea CONNECT is a key H2020 coordination and support action (CSA) which will scientifically, technically and logistically support the broader **Black Sea Blue Growth Initiative**, supported by the European Commission (EC) and composed of country-appointed experts, stakeholders and various national and international organizations.

Black Sea CONNECT is the first project in its own field for Black Sea. The overall objective of the Black Sea CONNECT is to coordinate the development of the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA), based on the defined principles in the Burgas Vision Paper and support the development of the Blue Growth in the Black Sea.

Coordinated by Middle East Technical University (METU-IMS), Turkey

Partnerships: 14 organizations from 9 countries: Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC), The National Institute for Research and Development of Marine Geology and Geoecology (GEOECOMAR), National Institute for Marine Research and Development “Grigore Antipa” (NIMRD), Bulgarian Academy of Sciences Institute of Oceanography (IO-BAS), The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBİTAK), Institut Français de Recherche pour l’Exploitation de la Mer (IFREMER), PMM-TVT, German Marine Research Consortium (HZG), Ukrainian scientific Center of Ecology of Sea (UkrSCES), North-West Institute of Management of the RANEPa, P.P. Shirshov Institute of Oceanology of the Russian Academy of Sciences (SIO-RAS), Tiraspol State University (UST), Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU), Secretariat of the Black Sea University Network (BSUN).

Project Duration: 36 months (2019-2022)

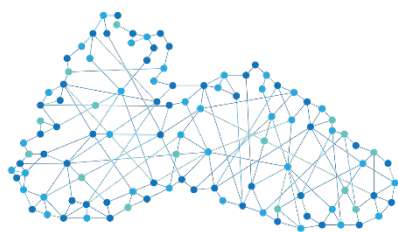
The overall objective of the Project is to coordinate the development of the **Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)**, through an operational implementation plan based on the defined principles in the Burgas Vision Paper. The SRIA and its implementation plan will guide stakeholders from academia, funding agencies, industry, policy and society to address the fundamental Black Sea research challenges, to promote blue growth and economic prosperity of the Black Sea region, to build critical support

systems and innovative research infrastructure and to improve education and capacity building. The project will support the design of synergistic activities such as developing an operational network of funders, new transnational joint activities and achieving the knowledge transfer of innovation to support Blue Economy. While doing this the project will support the policy direction set in the Burgas Vision Paper and it will link stakeholders, relevant initiatives, and institutions.

The specific objectives are as follows:

1. Support the Black Sea Blue Growth Initiative to consolidate and update the SRIA
2. Develop the SRIA Implementation Plan
3. The establishment of an operational network for the Black Sea Region
4. Support the design and implementation of new transnational joint activities
5. Making the Black Sea visible through empowered Black Sea societies

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Black Sea CONNECT este un proiect de cercetare și inovare creat pentru a promova o viziune comună asupra Mării Negre, ca o mare productivă, sănătoasă, rezistentă și durabilă. Proiectul are ca obiectiv schimbarea în bine a Mării Negre până în anul 2030. Inițiativa va contribui la conectarea mai profundă a societăților din țările riverane Mării Negre printr-o punte de noi cunoștințe, tehnologii și servicii. Inițiativa își propune să încurajeze dezvoltarea capacităților umane și a infrastructurilor din zonele costiere, marine și maritime, în vederea deblocării de oportunități pentru o "creștere albastră" durabilă și ecologică în Marea Neagră.

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