

Responsible tErritories and Institutions eNable and Foster Open Research and inClusive Innovation for transitions and Governance

# EHICS

## **SCIENCE WITH INTEGRITY, FOR** PEOPLE AND PLANET

RESPONSIBLE MARINE RESEARCH **BUILDS TRUST—AND A RESILIENT BLACK SEA FUTURE** 

## **WHY IT MATTERS:**

Ethics is the foundation for fair, transparent, and inclusive science that protects ecosystems, respects communities, and builds trust in marine research



- Responsible conduct guidelines: align with **UNESCO** and EU ethics codes across Black Sea marine institutions
- Whistleblower platform: enable anonymous reporting of unethical practices



#### Putting people at the center

- Community consent first: ensure informed consent for data collection. traditional knowledge, and oral histories
- Conflict-resolution dialogues: balance economic and ecological priorities through stakeholder mediation

Transparent research,

inclusive results

Multilingual open access:

Black Sea languages to

reach communities,

share marine research in all

industries & policymakers

promote marine industry

Ethical corporate pledges:

codes for sustainability,

environmental justice

labour rights &

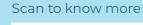
# CORE **CHALLENGE:**

Upholding ethical standards in marine research, balancing ecological protection, economic interests, and social justice across the Black Sea region



### **Measuring long-term** impact

- Science-based fishing quotas: advocate for sustainable harvest limits to protect fish stocks and local livelihoods
- Cumulative risk assessments: evaluate long-term ecosystem impacts before launching offshore drilling or aquaculture







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