

Common Maritime Agenda  
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# BLACK SEA STAKEHOLDER CONFERENCE 2024

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Radisson Blu Leograd Hotel

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*Day 1, 11 September 2024, EET*

## **Black Sea Common Maritime Agenda Stakeholder Conference**

**8:45 – 9:30**

### **Registration**

*Accompanied by a welcome coffee*

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**9:30 – 9:45**

### **Opening session**

*Moldova National Coordinator (Moldovan Ministry of Environment)  
European Commission (DG MARE)*

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**9:45 – 10:00**

### **Scene setter presentation**

*The Black Sea in the wider geopolitical context and enlargement perspectives*

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**10:00 – 10:45**

### **Plenary session 1 - Marine scientific knowledge for the Black Sea blue economy**

*Moderated discussion by Black Sea Assistance Mechanism.*

The session aims to bring together recently generated knowledge through the main research projects supported in the region.

Q&A – gathered on sli.do, most voted questions answered in plenary

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**10:45 – 11:15**

### **Coffee break**

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**11:15 – 12:00**

### **Plenary session 2 – Challenges and opportunities on the Black Sea’s path to sustainability**

*Moderated discussion by Black Sea Assistance Mechanism.*

The session aims to showcase the most recent EMFAF and INTERREG projects addressing Black Sea’s pollution and sustainability challenges.

Q&A – gathered on sli.do, most voted questions answered in plenary

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**12:00 – 12:45**

### **Plenary session 3 – Innovation perspectives for the Black Sea’s blue economy community**

*Moderated discussion by Black Sea Assistance Mechanism.*

The session aims to present regional investment opportunities for highly innovative companies as well as successful initiatives in the blue economy sectors

Q&A – gathered on sli.do, most voted questions answered in plenary

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**12:45 – 14:00**      **Networking lunch (poster exhibition)**

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**14:00 – 15:30**      **Parallel co-creation workshops: innovation areas for the future**

- ***Decarbonisation and energy transition of the Black Sea maritime and riverine transport and ports***
- ***Blue economy skills and ocean literacy for existing and emerging Black Sea jobs***
- ***Black Sea ecosystem conservation, plastic pollution management and circularity opportunities in a land-sea perspective***

*The co-creation workshops aim to engage stakeholder in a highly interactive session to be moderated by National Hubs, with the support of CMA observers. These sessions will generate future project ideas, research topics and policy priorities that stakeholders, the scientific community, and policymakers can consider adopting to support and develop further the Black Sea sustainable blue economy.*

*Discussions will be structured around the identification of*

- a) emerging innovative ideas in each specific area*
- b) existing obstacles and bottlenecks*
- c) opportunities and next steps to be taken to implement those ideas*

*The output of these co-creation workshops will be re-elaborated into a white paper with recommendations to the current and future CMA coordination(s) and to the European Commission on highly promising areas and ideas for the design of future cooperation opportunities (i.e., calls for proposals, regional initiatives, stakeholder events, etc.). The white paper will be circulated a few weeks after the conference.*

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**15:30 – 16:00**      **Coffee break**

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**16:00 – 16:15**      **Main takeaways from the 3 co-creation workshops**

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**16:15 – 16:45**      **Black Sea project awards**

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**16:45 – 17:00**      **Closing session**  
*Moldova National Coordinator, DG MARE*

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*Day 2, 12 September 2024, EET*

**Common Maritime Agenda Working sessions – only for the members**

9:30 – 11:00

Steering Committee meeting (in parallel)

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9:30 – 11:00

Sustainable aquaculture technical group meeting (in parallel)

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11:00 – 11:30

Coffee Break

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