

# Regional roundtable on war-related pollution in the Black Sea

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## Meeting Agenda

6 June 2025, 9:30-12:00 CET (TBC)

Online via ZOOM: [link to be provided to the registered participants](#)

Registration form: [https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/CMA\\_war\\_pollution](https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/CMA_war_pollution)

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9:15 – Connecting to virtual meeting

9:30 Working language: English

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9:30 – Welcome and introduction – *start of the meeting*

- 9:45
- Ukraine Parliament - Yuliia Ovchynnykova, Chair of the Subcommittee on Forest Resources, Biodiversity, Natural Landscapes, Objects of the Nature Reserve Fund, and on the Adaptation of Ukrainian Legislation to the Provisions of European Union Law
  - Ukraine 2025 CMA Coordination – Grygory Mozolevych, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine
  - EU Commission - Christos Economou, Head of Unit - Sea basin strategies, Maritime Regional Cooperation and Maritime Security, DG MARE

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9:45 – Session 1: War-related impact on navigation and shipping in the Black Sea

- 10:15
- BCSEA II project as a mean to enhance the standards for maritime safety and marine pollution prevention/response in the Black Sea – Giuseppe Russo, European Maritime Safety Agency
  - Presentation on the impact of war on the Black Sea navigation routes and systems — Vladislav Dolinskyi, Administration of ports of Ukraine (tbc)
  - Q&A and discussion

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10:15– Session 2: Monitoring and data: UXOs, demining and war-related pollution in the Black Sea

- 11:00
- HELCOM and Submerged Munitions in the Baltic Sea – Rudiger Strempe, HELCOM
  - Survey and mapping of ammunition and mine-hazardous sites in Ukrainian Black Sea waters during the 2014–2025 Russian aggression - Sergiy Voronov, Center of demining, Ministry of Defense of Ukraine
  - Integration of war-related pollution data into the regional Black Sea Database of the Regional Activity Centre for Monitoring and Assessment of Marine Pollution – Oleksandr Lepyoshkin, Ukrainian Research Center of the Ecology of the Sea
  - Q&A and discussion

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11:00 – 11:15 - Coffee Break

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11:15 Environmental impact of the war on the sea basin as a common Black Sea issue

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- Main findings from RESPONSE and Black Sea Sierra EMFAF projects on the Black Sea pollution, specifically caused by the war
  - National assessment of the environmental impact of the war at the Black Sea - Mykhaylo Son, Institute of marine biology
  - EU4EMBLAS contribution to war pollution monitoring in the Black Sea
  - Q&A and discussion

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12:00 Closing remarks

- Ukraine 2025 CMA Coordination
  - EU Commission
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