

# Monthly E-Bulletin of the Project “Zero Waste Strategy for Good Environmental Status-BSB257”

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## **Black Sea Basin Joint Operational Programme 2014-2020**

The Black Sea Basin Programme 2014-2020 is part of European Union’s Cross-Border Cooperation (CBC) under its European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI).

ENI CBC receives funding from ENI as well as from the European Regional Development Fund and the Instrument for Pre-Accession which is pooled together. All sources of funding may be used on either side of the EU external border for actions of common benefit.

The Black Sea Basin ENI CBC programme 2014-2020 builds upon the previous cooperation framework, the [Black Sea Basin ENPI CBC programme 2007-2013](#), under which [62 projects](#) were awarded and implemented in [8 countries surrounding the Black Sea Basin](#).

As a result of the completed analytical and consultation process, the Black Sea Basin programme focuses on a set of objectives and priorities, reflecting the countries’ specific circumstances and requirements, as presented in the table below.

### **Black Sea Basin ENI Cross-Border Cooperation programme 2014-2020 - Objectives and Priorities:**

#### **Overall objective**

Improve the welfare of the people in the Black Sea basin regions through sustainable growth and joint environmental protection

#### **Specific objectives and priorities**

- Specific objective 1. Promote business and entrepreneurship within the Black Sea basin
  - Priority 1.1 Jointly promote business and entrepreneurship in the tourism and cultural sectors
  - Priority 1.2 Increase cross-border trade opportunities and modernisation in the agricultural and connected sectors
- Specific objective 2. Promote coordination of environmental protection and joint reduction of marine litter in the Black Sea basin
  - Priority 2.1 Improve joint environmental monitoring
  - Priority 2.2 Promote common awareness-raising and joint actions to reduce river and marine litter

#### **Core Regions**

The following countries or NUTS II (or equivalent) territorial units form the core eligible area of the Black Sea Basin Programme, as defined in the ENI CBC programming document:



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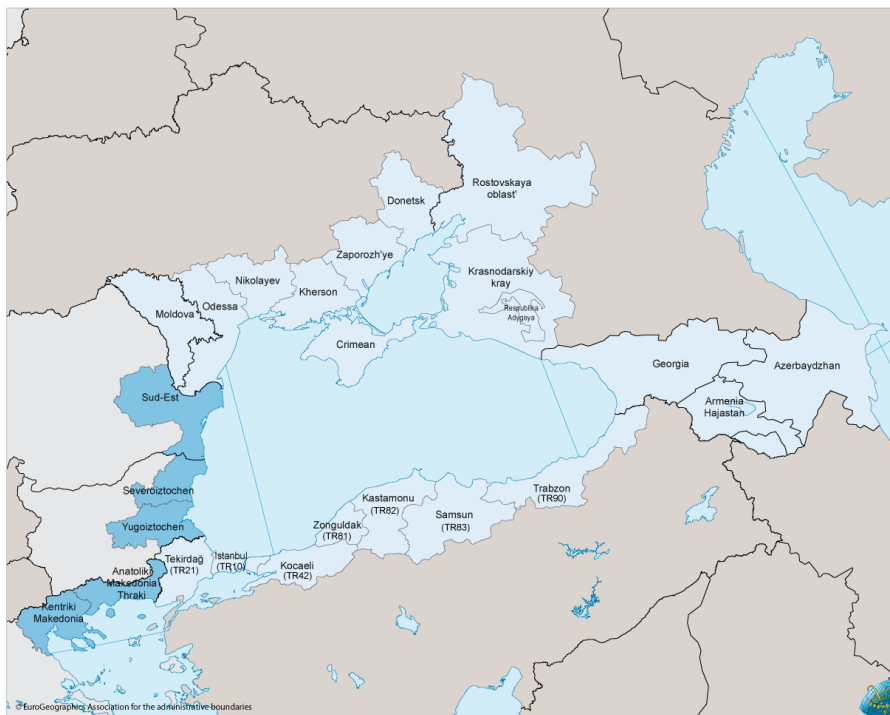
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- **Romania:** Sud-Est
- **Bulgaria:** Severoiztochen, Yugoiztochen
- **Greece:** Kentriki Makedonia, Anatoliki Makedonia Thraki
- **Turkey:** TR10 (İstanbul), TR21 (Tekirdağ, Edirne, Kırklareli), TR42 (Kocaeli, Sakarya, Düzce, Bolu, Yalova), TR81 (Zonguldak, Karabük, Bartın), TR82 (Kastamonu, Çankırı, Sinop), TR83 (Samsun, Tokat, Çorum, Amasya) and TR90 (Trabzon, Ordu, Giresun, Rize, Artvin, Gümüşhane)
- **Russia:** Rostov Oblast, Krasnodar Krai, Adygea republic
- **Ukraine<sup>1</sup>:** Odessa, Mykolaiv, Kherson, Zaporosh'ye and Donetsk Oblasts, Crimea Republic, Sevastopol
- **Moldova, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan:** the whole country

### Map of the Programme Area



Map of the programme: EU regions cooperation areas in dark blue, other cooperation areas in pale blue.

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### Lead partner Of the Action

The lead partner of the action is Tekirdag Namik Kemal University (Turkey) [Partners](#)

The Partners of the action are:

- Tourism Development Council in Nessebar Municipality BULGARIA
- Ukrainian Marine Environment Protection Association UKRMEPA UKRAINE
- International Association “Civitas Georgica” CIVITAS GEORGIA

### Overall Objectives of the Joint Action

The action aims at contributing to overall reduction in, (1) the number of visible (> 2.5 cm) litter items on coastlines including plastic, fishing and sanitary litter items on coastlines; (2) the number of litter items per square meter on the sea bed including fishing related litter items on the sea bed from 2012 levels by 2020, in Odessa, in Ukraine; Bourgas, in Bulgaria; Guria, in Georgia and Tekirdağ, in Turkey.

### Specific Objectives of the Action

- **Marine litter collection and disposal:** The action undertakes, (1) four 'Fishing for Litter' campaigns (one in each country) with local fishermen collecting min. 1,5 tonnes of derelict fishing gear from the sea-bed; (2) four beach clean-up campaigns (one in each country) with 7-16 age group children and their teachers collecting min. 0,5 tonnes of litter from beaches.
- **Public awareness among children:** 40 primary/secondary schools (15 from Turkey, 5 from Bulgaria, 10 from Ukraine, 10 from Georgia), 50 NGOs (15 from Turkey, 5 from Bulgaria, 20 from Ukraine, 10 from Georgia) and 25 local media organisations (10 from Turkey, 5 from Bulgaria, 7 from Ukraine, 3 from Georgia) will be involved in the Ecosystem Education Program (EEP) which has already been started within ILMM-BSE project for environmental education and public awareness in Turkey, Bulgaria, Ukraine and Georgia.

### Target Groups of the Action

The target groups of the action are 7-16 age group primary and secondary school students and their teachers, local fishermen and local communities

### Duration of the Action:

The Duration of the Action is 24 months.

### Total Budget of the Action



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The total budget of the Action is € 872 118.00.

### Estimated Results of the Action

The estimated results include proper implementation of waste management legislation, reduction of marine litter on beaches and seas, improvement of residents and tourists’ waste related behaviour, creation of a monitoring programme, and the coherence of relevant initiatives contributing to reaching a regional Good Environmental Status based on, and guided by, ecological knowledge to achieve the maximum degree of ecosystem protection commensurate with the highest sustainable quality of living for mankind.

### Main Activities of the Action

The main activities of the action include project management activities, communication activities, integrating activities and joint zero waste activities.

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