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Blue Growth as a driver for regional development

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Draft Agenda

Tuesday, 20 March 2018	
9.30 – 10.00	Registration
10.00 – 10.20	Welcome Address
	Georgios Mitrakos , Director General, International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS)
10.20 – 10.40	Keynote Speech
	Blue Growth as a driver for regional development – the BSEC experience. Ambassador Michael B. Christides , Secretary General, BSEC PERMIS
10.40 – 12.00	Session I. Interregional Cooperation & Institutional Capacity
	<u>Moderator</u> : Dan Petre , Director General, Romanian Diplomatic Institute, Romania - Blue Growth as a driver for regional development – the BSEC experience. Rositsa Stoeva , Executive Manager, BSEC PERMIS

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facility for Blue Growth in the Black Sea. <i>Matteo Bocci, Blue Economy Expert</i> - Sea basins as relevant areas for territorial cooperation on Blue Growth - Experiences from the CPMR's initiatives. <i>Stavros Kalognomos, Policy Officer, Balkan & Black Sea Commission, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR)</i> - Sofia Loukmidou, EUSAIR Blue Growth Coordinator, Ministry of Rural Development and Food, Greece <p style="text-align: center;">Q & A Session</p>
12.00 – 12.30	Coffee break
12.30 – 14.00	Session II. Supporting Entrepreneurship & Increasing Competitiveness
	<p><u>Moderator:</u> Georgia Chantzi, Project Manager, ICBSS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Petros Kokkalis, Executive City Councillor for Local Growth & Entrepreneurship, Municipality of Piraeus, Director of BlueGrowth Piraeus Initiative - Openichnos: Realizing the Connected Yacht. <i>George Koutras, CEO, Openichnos</i> - The meaning of Digital Twin & Predicting Engineering – Prediction of Underwater Acoustic & Noise Propagation through Engineering Simulation. <i>Sotiris Kokkinos, CEO - Business Development, FEAC Engineering</i> - Greece connecting Asia through ports - Regional developments. <i>Mary Pothitos, LLB, F.Inst.Pa, Paralegal Maritime Services, Marine Claims Consultant/Trainer, Greece</i> - A new business model to promote highly specialized cluster of the Italian blue economy: SEAFUTURE 2008 to 2018. <i>Cristiana Pagni, President, Liguria Tecnomar Consortium and Blue Hub, Chamber of Commerce of La Spezia, Liguria, Italy</i> - The role of clusters to enhance the impact of Italian districts on local development and the global economy. <i>Lorenzo Forcieri, President, Liguria Cluster of Maritime Technologies, Italy</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Q & A Session</p>
14.00 – 15.00	Standing Lunch

15.00 – 16.30	Session III. Investing in people, skills & services
	<p>Moderator: Stavros Kalognomos, Policy Officer, Balkan & Black Sea Commission, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adopting a common FDI attraction policy, as a new frontier in Black Sea co-operation and development: a focus on the blue economy. <i>Leonardo Manzari, Director, European Institute for EurAsian Dialogue, Italy</i> - Developing human capital – a prerequisite sustainable development in the Black Sea Area. <i>Dan Petre, Director General, Romanian Diplomatic Institute, Romania</i> - Connecting Black Sea Blue Growth Value Chains with Caspian Sea and East Med. <i>Dr. Emmanouil Nikolaidis, Managing Director, Premium Consulting, Greece</i> - Blue Growth in the Black Sea: Challenges and Opportunities for Ukraine. <i>Nataliia Korzhunova, Senior Researcher, Institute of Environmental Economics and Sustainable Development of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine</i> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Q & A Session</i></p>
16.30 – 17.00	Conclusions
19.30 – 21.30	<i>Official Dinner (on invitation only)</i>
Wednesday, 21 March 2018	
9.30– 10.00	<i>Registration</i>
10.00 – 11.00	Session IV. Increased knowledge & Mitigation measures.
	<p>Moderator: Georgia Chantzi, Project Manager, ICBSS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gaps in oceanographic research and environmental monitoring of the Black Sea: what should the science do to sustain blue growth in the Black Sea? <i>Dr. Evgen Dykyi, Ukrainian Scientific Centre of Ecology of the Sea,</i>

	<p><i>Ukraine</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increasing impact factor of sustainable development in the Black Sea region. <i>Ketevan Kikilashvili, Vice-Director, Research and Innovation Hub, International Black Sea University, Georgia</i> - Improving environmental monitoring in the Black Sea in the context of Blue Economy. <i>Dr. Jaroslav Slobodnik, EU/UNDP EMBLAS-II Project Team Leader</i>
11.00 – 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 – 12.30	Session IV. Increased knowledge & Mitigation measures (cont.)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sustainable fisheries governance in the Black Sea: Challenges and perspectives. <i>Dr. Ioannis Stribis, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mediterranean Studies, University of Aegean, Greece</i> - Migratory fish species as common resource of Black Sea and Lower Danube countries and as indicators of ecological status. <i>Dr. Mirjana Lenhardt, Research Professor, Institute for Multidisciplinary Research, Serbia</i> - Blue Growth as a tool for sustainable fisheries management of threatened fisheries resources. A case study of the spiny lobster fishery off Aegean Sea. <i>Thodoros Kampouris, PhD Researcher, Marine Science Dept., University of Aegean, Greece</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Q & A Session</p>
12.30 – 13.00	Conclusions & Perspectives
	Georgios Mitrakos , Director General, International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS)
13.00 – 14.00	<i>Standing Lunch</i>



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