



BSEC MONTH OF CULTURE 2018

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Georgia

This Monday morning we are about to discover #Georgia, an ancient country at the crossroads of the Eastern and Western civilizations, where the European and Asian way of life and traditions merge for thousands of years.

Mountains of eternal snow, lakes with crystal clear water, alpine meadows, palm coasts, natural canyons, ancient caves – it is all about Georgia, one of the six littoral states of the Black Sea region.

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Video: Courtesy of the Georgian National Tourism Administration, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

Romania

Did you know that #Romania has its own Edit Piaf?

Romania's national diva, Maria Tănase, is regarded as the major cultural icon of the 20th century. Performing traditional Romanian music, romance, tango, chanson or operetta, she was admired for the originality, voice and charisma.

Today we will listen to one of her songs called 'Până când nu te iubeam' which in Romanian means 'Until the day I loved you'.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wQhw0apE2p8>

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Interested in learning more about the fascinating culture of the BSEC Member States?

Join the BSEC Month of Culture, organised by the ICBSS from 1-30 November 2018 and learn about the remarkable and rich cultural heritage of the BSEC region.

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About the BSEC Month of Culture:

On the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of the International Centre for Black Sea Studies, the ICBSS is launching the 2nd “BSEC Month of Culture”, a month long programme of cultural highlights from the 12 BSEC Member States (Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Greece, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine).

Being aware of the rich, diverse cultural heritage of the BSEC region, the ICBSS launches the 2nd “BSEC Month of Culture”, from 1st to 30th November 2018, with the aim to promote the cultural identity of the region and enhance its visibility to the wider public.

The programme will feature online tributes on *literature, music, theatre & performance art, painting/sculpting, monuments* and *gastronomy*, including short videos and photos.

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About the ICBSS: The International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) was founded in 1998 as a non-profit organisation. It has since fulfilled a dual function. On the one hand, it is an independent research and training institution focusing on the wider Black Sea region. On the other hand, it is a related body of the Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) and serves as its acknowledged think-tank. Thus, the ICBSS pursues applied, policy-oriented research, promotes knowledge on the Black Sea region both within and outside its boundaries, and offers policy advice with the aim to foster multilateral cooperation among the BSEC member states as well as with their international partners.

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