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Name of Organization: INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR BLACK SEA STUDIES (ICBSS)



<u>Activities</u>

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In the framework of the **Hellenic BSEC Chairmanship-in-Office** during the semester July-December 2019, the International Center for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) successfully organized a series of thematic events:

- On 14 October 2019, the ICBSS organized in cooperation with the Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Conference 'Green Energy & Blue Growth: drivers for development across the Black Sea', at 'Giannos Kranidiotis Amphitheatre' (Hellenic MFA).
 -Agenda: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1083</u>
 -Press Release & photos: <u>http://icbss.org/media/1854_original.pdf</u>
 -Speaker's presentations: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1084</u>
- On 7 November 2019, the ICBSS organized the 'Regional Stakeholders Conference on Black Sea Synergy: the way forward', at Royal Olympic Hotel Athens, as a follow-up to the Ministerial Meeting on BSEC EU Cooperation (Brussels, 18 June 2019). The event was co-funded by DG NEAR and was organized within the framework of the ENI East Instrument.

-Agenda: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1083</u> -Press Release & photos: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1089</u> -Speaker's presentations: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1092</u>

- On 2 December 2019, the ICBSS jointly organized with the OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings and with the Office of the National Rapporteur on Combating Trafficking in Human Beings of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic, the Conference 'Enhancing Anti-Trafficking Response in the Black Sea Region,' at 'Giannos Kranidiotis Amphitheatre' (Hellenic MFA).
 -Agenda: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1090</u>
- On Monday 9 December 2019, the ICBSS organized in cooperation with the Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF) a first ever Conference on 'Confidence Building in the Black Sea Region', at Royal Olympic Hotel – Athens.
 -Agenda & Concept Note: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1091</u>
 -Speaker's Presentations: <u>http://icbss.org/index.php?pid=1093</u>

For each event, you may find further information in **ICBSS website** (<u>www.icbss.org</u>), in ICBSS **Facebook** (<u>https://www.facebook.com/icbss.org/</u>) and **Twitter** page (<u>https://twitter.com/ICBSS_org</u>).

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