



BSEC MONTH OF CULTURE 2019

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SERBIA

The most famous folk festival in Serbia invites you to celebrate and dance with trumpets.

The colorful village Guča in the western part of Serbia hosts every year the Assembly of Trumpet Players the largest trumpet and brass band event on the planet that attracts visitors from all over the world!

#CultureBSEC #MoC2019 #ICBSS #BlackSea #Serbia #music



Info at: <https://www.guca.rs/history/>

ROMANIA

The ballad of #Miorița is the most famous folk song in Romania. It tells the story of three shepherds in the mountains of Romania, making reference to the strong connection between man and nature.

The poem is spread all over the country, in more than a thousand versions and many poets and writers got inspired by it.

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Info at: <https://rolandia.eu/en/blog/romanian-myths-legends/the-ballad-of-miorita-the-defining-romanian-myth>

MOLDOVA

Each year, in the first days of spring, Moldova gives you the opportunity to travel around the music world with the #Mărțișor Music Festival.

The word Mărțișor is the red and white string customarily given on March 1 and literally means "little March", from the word marț, the old folk name for March.

From classical music to modern dance, the best Concert Halls from Chisinau and other countries host over 40 concerts. Enjoy!

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Info at: <https://travel-chisinau.com/events/martisor-music-festival.html>

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Join the BSEC Month of Culture, organised by the ICBSS from 1-30 November 2019 and learn about the remarkable and rich cultural heritage of the BSEC region.

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About the BSEC Month of Culture:

Being aware of the rich, diverse cultural heritage of the BSEC region, the **International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS)** launched the **BSEC Month of Culture (MoC)**, in 2017, with the aim to promote the cultural identity of the Black Sea region and enhance its visibility to the wider public.

The MoC is a month long programme of diverse cultural activities related to the rich cultural heritage of the 12 BSEC Member States. Our aspiration is to establish the 'BSEC Month of Culture' as an annual event that will include more cultural activities each year.

The 1st edition of the BSEC Month of Culture was held successfully on 1-30 June 2017, on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the BSEC Organisation. The 2nd edition of the BSEC Month of Culture was launched from 1 to 30 November 2018, on the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of ICBSS.

The **3rd Edition of the BSEC Month of Culture** will be launched **from 1 to 30 November 2019**.

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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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