

Black Sea and Blue Skills

BRIDGE-BS Project

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THE UNIQUENESS OF BLACK SEA

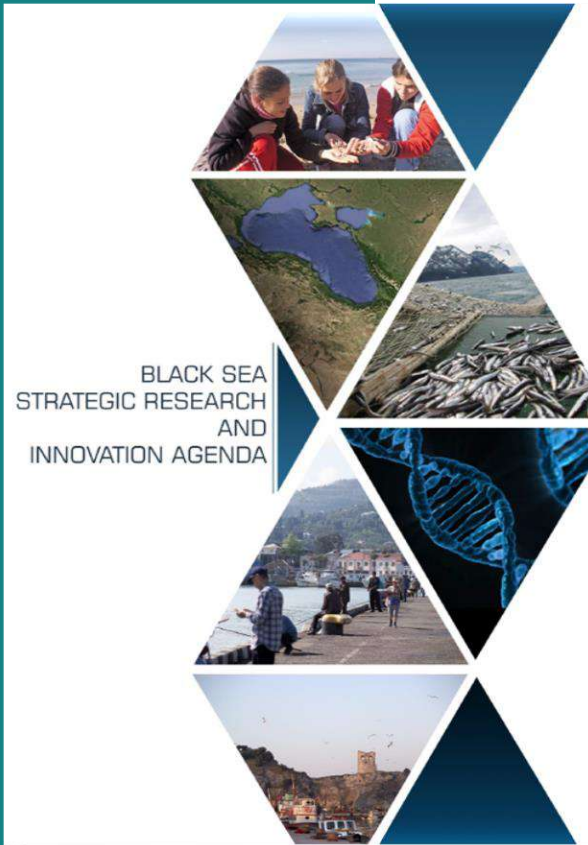
BLACK SEA MULTISTRESSORS



Black Sea Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda



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Black Sea Knowledge Bridge

Addressing fundamental
Black Sea research
challenges

Black Sea Blue Economy

Developing products,
solutions, and clusters
underpinning
Black Sea Blue Growth

4 PILLARS
OF THE
BLACK SEA
SRIA

Empowered Citizens & Enhanced Blue Workforce

Education and capacity
building

Key Infrastructures & Policy Enablers

Building of critical support
systems and innovative
infrastructures

THE STRATEGIC RESEARCH AND INNOVATION AGENDA



WHAT IS THE SRIA?

- A reference framework
- Programmatic tool



KEY OUTPUTS OF SRIA

- National level priorities identified
- Development of national Blue Growth agendas
- Science-based and well-informed decision-making
- Supporting the development of the Common Maritime Agenda



ADDRESSES ALL ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

- Established sectors such as shipping, shipbuilding, fisheries, traditional sun-sea tourism
- Emerging new sectors such as blue biotechnology, offshore wind energy, ocean energy, coastal and environmental protection



SRIA WILL GUIDE STAKEHOLDERS

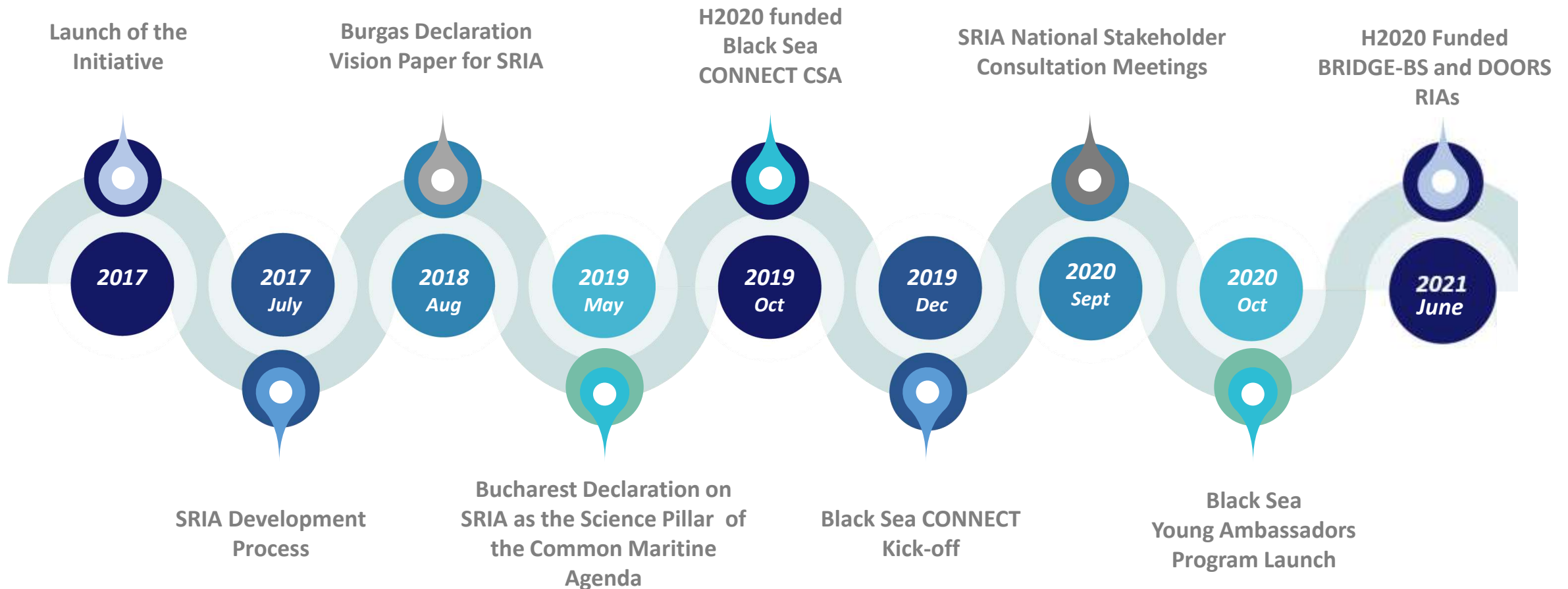
- Academia
- Funding agencies
- Industry
- Policymakers
- Society

Main Goal 1 - Supporting formal and informal learning, education, training and use of knowledge and technologies for established and emerging marine and maritime jobs

Actions

- Develop **new programmes** and **coordinate existing ones** (syllabus and curricula) to support and implement **priorities defined in SRIA**. This entails the design and implementation of dedicated undergraduate, **MSc, PhD and postdoctoral programmes** for future researchers and professionals in all fields of **Blue Growth** (Short/Medium Term)
- Develop programmes for **life long training and vocational education** of professionals in **integrated coastal and marine management and blue economy** (Short Medium Term)
- Promote **digital literacy** (e.g. e-learning environments) and prepare for the rapid change in use and implementation of **virtual technologies** as an essential component of life long education in **all fields of blue economy** (Short/Medium Term)
- Promote **mentoring** and training for new **start-ups** and coaching for scaling-up companies in **blue economy and blue growth at local/regional levels**. (Short/Medium Term)
- Support **students, graduates and early career researchers** to gain practices and undergo work placement apprenticeships schemes in businesses and institutions active in blue economy (Short/Medium Term)

THE BLUE GROWTH INITIATIVE FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION IN THE BLACK SEA



2021 Update: With the H2020 funded CONNECT CSA, DOORS and BRIDGE-BS, SRIA implementation has become a 20M Euro package that will be steered in close cooperation

THE CORE CONTRIBUTION OF Black Sea CONNECT

THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF



CONNECT BLACK SEA

Support the Black Sea Blue Growth Initiative to consolidate and update the SRIA

1

Develop the SRIA Implementation Plan

2

The establishment of an operational network for the Black Sea Region

3

Support the design and implementation of new transnational joint activities

4

Making the Black Sea visible through empowered Black Sea societies

5

Horizon 2020

Type of action: Coordination and Support Action

Project acronym: Black Sea CONNECT
Project name: Coordination of Marine and Maritime Research and Innovation in the Black Sea

Coordinator: METU Institute of Marine Sciences

Budget: 2M Euro

Duration: 10.2019-06.2023

Black Sea CONNECT CSA will scientifically, technically and logistically support the Black Sea Blue Growth Initiative towards the implementation of the SRIA, with a view on boosting the Blue Economy in the region.

Black Sea CONNECT will develop and promote a shared vision for a productive, healthy, resilient, sustainable and better valued Black Sea.

Advancing Black Sea Research And Innovation to Co-develop Blue Growth within Resilient Ecosystems: BRIDGE-BS

Horizon 2020

Call: H2020-BG-2018-2020 (Blue Growth)

Topic: LC-BG-09-2019

Type of action: **Research and Innovation**

Project acronym: BRIDGE-BS

Coordinator: METU Institute of Marine
Sciences

Budget: 9 M Euro

Duration: 06.2021-12.2025

33 Partners



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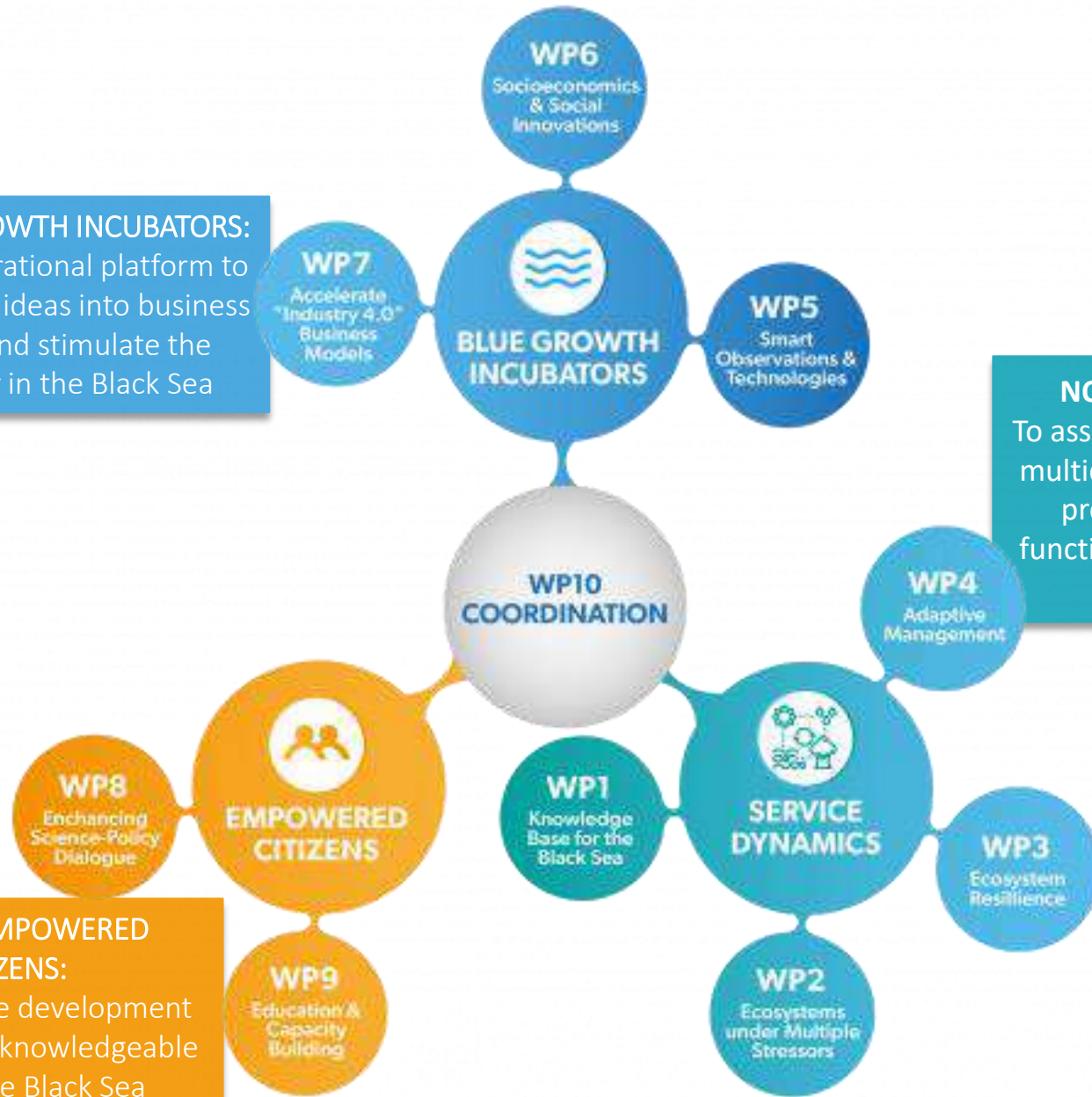
Blue Growth Incubators | Service Dynamics | Empowered Citizens



NODE 2. BLUE GROWTH INCUBATORS:
To provide an operational platform to translate scientific ideas into business opportunities and stimulate the ocean economy in the Black Sea

NODE 1. SERVICE DYNAMICS:
To assess the status, and develop the multidisciplinary understanding and predictive tools on ecosystem functioning necessary to implement adaptive management

NODE3. EMPOWERED CITIZENS:
To support the development of a cohesive, knowledgeable and literate Black Sea international community



SEArca Conference on Blue Skills

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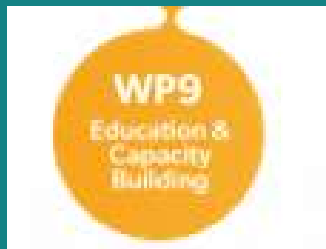


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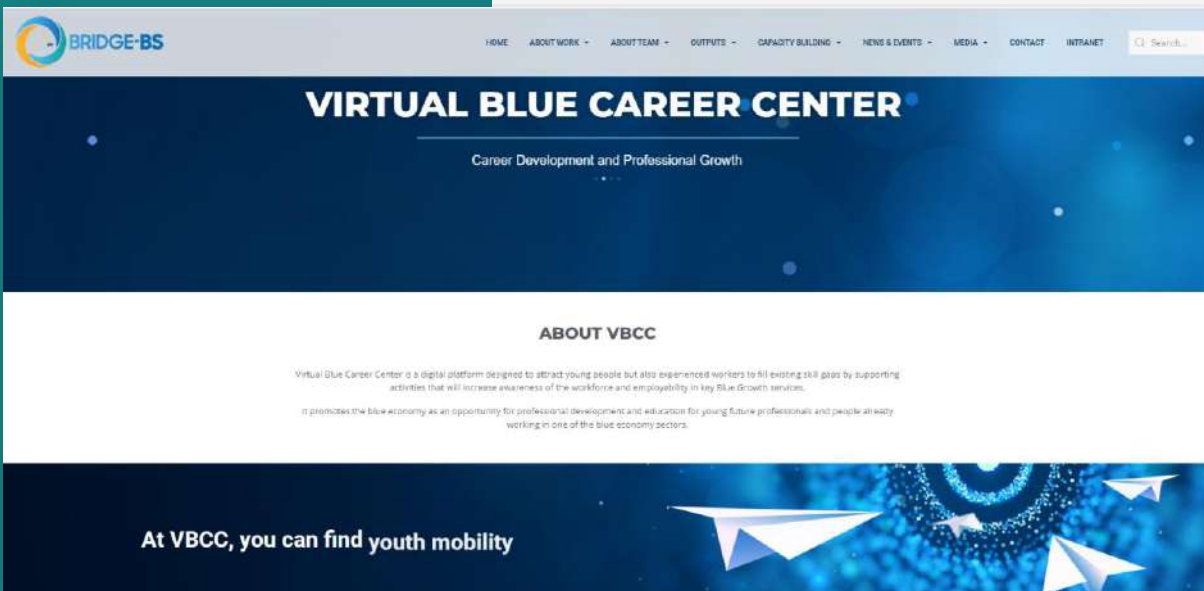
The aim is to **educate, train** and **stimulate** interactions between the public and future generations of marine scientists towards a much better-connected Black Sea community and to develop education and training programmes for **upskilling** and ensuring **the understanding of Blue Growth services** by the workforce in the Black Sea;

This will be accomplished by activities such as:

- **Blue Career Centre in the Black Sea** to fill existing skills' gaps by supporting activities that will increase awareness of the workforce and employability in key Blue Growth services;
- **BLUE MOVE:** a youth mobility programme for students;
- **Young Ambassadors Scheme:** to create a generation of young people from the region that work together for marine science, Blue Growth & sustainability;
- **Summer Schools** on Blue Economy sectors in order to upskill and ensure the understanding of the challenges and opportunities to be addressed for a sustainable Black Sea;
- **Ocean-Engaged Citizens Programme:** the first OL Black Sea Group, a “Science for Citizens” campaign, a marine gastronomy “Responsible Consumption” campaign and the publication of a book on historic Black Sea lighthouses.



Virtual Blue Career Center in the Black Sea



- ❑ Description, general data, and trends
- ❑ Career-related information – professions; career exchanges; sources for useful information on the Sectors
- ❑ Information about masters and PhD programs, professional courses, professional qualifications
- ❑ Relevant mobility opportunities and projects suitable for the target audience
- ❑ News and media



<http://bridgeblacksea.org/index.php/virtual-blue-career-center/>



SHIPPING

Shipping is the most carbon-efficient mode of transportation. International maritime shipping accounts for less than 3% of annual global greenhouse gas emissions (CO2) and produces less exhaust gas emissions – including nitrogen oxides (NOx), hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide (CO), and sulfur dioxide (SO2) – for each tonne transported per kilometer than air or road transport.

[Read More](#)

SHIPBUILDING AND REPAIR

The EU shipbuilding industry is a dynamic and competitive sector. With a market share of around 6% of the global order book in terms of compensated gross tonnage (76 and 19% in terms of value; for marine equipment, the EU share rises to 50%); the EU is a major player in the global shipbuilding industry.

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Maritime transport accounted for 9% of the jobs, 17% of the GVA, and 21% of the profits in the EU Blue Economy in 2018. The sector seems to have recovered from the drop in 2016.

In 2018, the sector generated a GVA of €30 billion, which is 12% higher compared to 2009. Gross profit, at €14.6 billion, increased by 5% in 2009. The profit margin was estimated at 9%, below 11% in 2009. The investment ratio (gross investment intangible goods / GVA) was estimated at 45%, still well below the figure for 2009 (65%). The turnover reported was €160 billion, a 31% increase from 2009.

Around 397 557 persons were directly employed in the sector (11% more than in 2009). Total wages and salaries amounted to €15.4 billion and the annual average wage was estimated at almost €38 850, up 7% compared to 2009.

Germany leads Maritime transport, contributing with 35% of the jobs and 37% of the GVA, followed by Italy with 17% of the jobs and 16% of the GVA.

The economic value of the EU shipping industry



EXPLORE THE OPPORTUNITIES

CAREERS

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

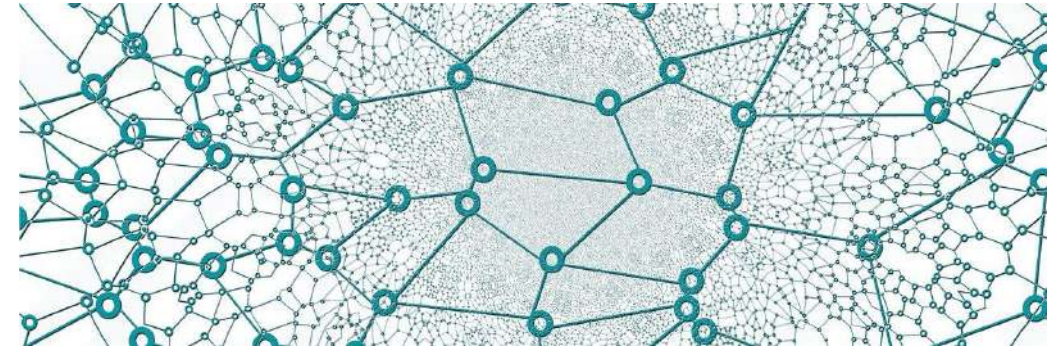
CAREERS

Occupation	Description
Ship Captain	Ship captains are in charge of a vessel for the transport of cargo in offshore and coastal waters. The size of the vessel can depend on the tonnage that they are certified to command and their operation and are likely to have worked their positions.
Deck officer	Deck officers or mates perform the watch duties on board the ship, speed, manoeuvring to avoid hazards, and continuous use of navigational aids. They maintain logs and other records that the proper procedures and safety practices are followed, and oversee the loading and discharging of cargo and are engaged in maintenance and the primary upkeep of the vessel.
Crew Manager	The Crew Manager acts as the senior manager of all deck and many HR tasks. He ensures that the crew deliver their services or promotions. All aspects of Crew Management fall under his responsibility, including personnel related budgets and travel budgets. The Crew Manager is employed, ensuring they are within the legal guidelines and certificates.
Marine chief engineer	Marine chief engineers are responsible for the entire technical operation of the ship, including engineering, electrical, and mechanical divisions. They are aboard the ship and have overall responsibility for all technical operations. Marine chief engineers collaborate on security, safety, and national and international standards of application.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

No	Institution	Type of Organization	Type of Education	Legal Status	City	Country	Web page
1.	Nikola Vaptsarov Naval Academy	University	Higher Education	Public	Varna	Bulgaria	http://www.naval-acad.bg
2.	Technical University of Varna	University	Higher Education	Public	Varna	Bulgaria	https://www.tu-varna.bg
	"Angel Kanchev" University of Ruse	University	Higher Education	Public	Ruse	Bulgaria	https://www.uni-ruse.bg
3.	University of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy	University	Higher Education	Public	Sofia	Bulgaria	http://uacg.bg
4.	Bulgarian Ship Hydrodynamics Centre	National Research and Development Center	Other	Public	Varna	Bulgaria	http://www.bshc.bg
5.	Institute of Oceanology	Research Organization	Other	Public	Varna	Bulgaria	http://io-bas.bg
6.	Batumi Navigation Teaching University	University	Higher Education	private	Batumi	Georgia	https://bntu.edu.ge
7.	Batumi State Maritime Academy	University	Higher Education	Public	Batumi	Georgia	https://bsma.edu.ge

- Promote a youth mobility programme for students to bring together students with scientific and industry profiles to better match current training and skills needs
- On-line questionnaire and desktop search to map what is going on in the region (partners to contribute with relevant information: reports, contacts, existing networks)
- A **LinkedIn Group/Network** to share information on mobility programmes, Blue Growth events and job/training/secondment offers relevant to BS Blue Community.
- Project tools/platforms and BRIDGE Social Media will help to share this information.



Black Sea Ocean Literacy Network



- ❑ The OL concept was introduced a decade ago in Europe. However, many organizations and individuals in the Black Sea countries have a longer history of teaching about their sea and engaging communities.
- ❑ BRIDGE-BS aims to inventorize, document and map recent OL projects and initiatives in the Black Sea region, which started in 2012 or later. Identifying OL projects and initiatives is the starting point of building the Black Sea Literacy Network.

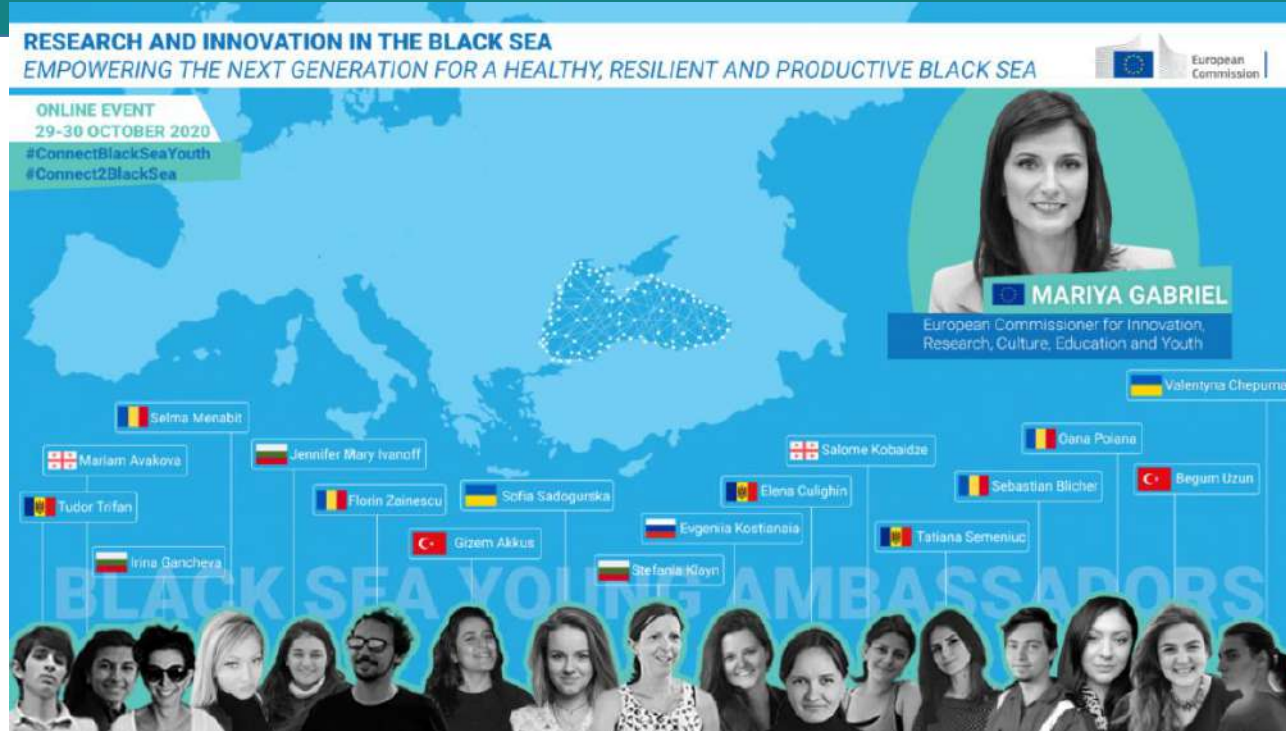


<http://bridgeblacksea.org/index.php/ocean-literacy-network/>

Do you know any **Black Sea OL examples, best-practices**? Help us find them!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScuBzD6f-V0xe1wsp27SBIjF2u8yr_PjPszA-2v6f42MU-5kA/viewform

Black Sea Young Ambassadors



RESEARCH AND INNOVATION IN THE BLACK SEA
EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION FOR A HEALTHY, RESILIENT AND PRODUCTIVE BLACK SEA

ONLINE EVENT
29-30 OCTOBER 2020
#ConnectBlackSeaYouth
#Connect2BlackSea

MARIYA GABRIEL
European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth

BLACK SEA YOUNG AMBASSADORS

Valentyna Chepurina
Gana Poiana
Begum Uzun
Sebastian Blicher
Tatiana Semeniac
Elena Culighin
Salome Kobaidze
Evgenia Kostianais
Stefania Kloyn
Gizem Akkus
Sofia Sadogurska
Florin Zainescu
Irina Gancheva
Tudor Trifan
Mariam Avakova
Jennifer Mary Ivanoff
Selma Menabit

Young voices of
the Black Sea

Advocating for
Blue Growth in
the Black Sea

Promoting the
goals of the SRIA



- ❑ **Educated and sensitized Georgian youth for the sustainable development of the Black Sea:** fieldwork on the coast of the Black Sea combined with beach clean-up activity and informative session on the blue economy, Georgia
- ❑ **Youth Power - Towards a healthy Black Sea:** Workshop on the secondary school children on Black Sea's unique features, Romania
- ❑ **Love your rivers to protect Black Sea:** River clean-up activity on Dniester day and Danube Day, Moldova
- ❑ **Re-inventing the Black Sea Ecology:** Vlog from research cruise and lab on issues such as eutrophication and pollution in an easily understandable language, Turkey
- ❑ Social media campaigns associated with the local campaigns and an international one.
- ❑ Black Sea wide photo contest with different categories such as biodiversity, pollution, multistressors etc.

Call for the new Black Sea Young Ambassadors will be launched in Summer 2022!

An orange banner with a folded bottom edge, containing the text "STAY TUNED" in white, bold, uppercase letters.

STAY TUNED

CALL FOR PhD POSITIONS WITHIN BRIDGE-BS PhD PROGRAMME ON SUSTAINABLE BLUE GROWTH IN THE BLACK SEA

*WITH DUAL SUPERVISION
(BLACK SEA & EUROPE)*

APPLY NOW!

Find More Info: bridgeblacksea.org



1st BRIDGE-BS Summer School



WHAT?

1st BRIDGE-BS Summer School



When and Where?

23-24-25 August 2022

In Istanbul, Turkey hosted by Istanbul University



Topics

Intro classes (Oceanography, Ecosystem Resilience, Multistressors and Marine Policy)

Blue Economy Sectors: Marine Living Resources: Fisheries and AquaSectorculture, Black Sea Renewable Energy, Maritime Transport, Coastal and Maritime Tourism, Sustainable Coastal and Maritime Tourism, Blue Biotechnology)



More Details


Application Deadline: **June 30th 2022**

Target group: Graduate Students working on/interested in Blue Economy related topics

Selected participants accommodation and travel will be covered!

Upcoming activities: Ocean-Engaged Citizens

- ❑ **MSc in Blue Growth:** Online master programme with participation and co-supervision of Black Sea universities to address concrete issues of the blue economy in an interdisciplinary manner using Black Sea's natural and economic environment
- ❑ **“Science for Citizens”:** mini-campaigns on different issues related to Blue Growth will be created via bitesize videos, with simplified science to inform and explain to citizens important scientific & environmental issues with calls to action.
- ❑ **“Responsible Consumption” Campaign:** aims to help citizens make better informed choices regarding their seafood consumption. The output will be an e-book of seafood recipes, launched on Black Sea Day.
- ❑ **Lighthouses & Black Sea History:** Several historical lighthouses in the Black Sea need to be protected as part of the region's cultural heritage – this task will map them and publish a book on important lighthouses called “From Lighthouse to Lighthouse”.

 Bite size videos CALL TO ACTION CAMPAIGNS

- ❑ Check out our Virtual Blue Career Center (from June onwards)
- ❑ Let us know any Black Sea Ocean Literacy initiatives and check out our dedicated webpage
- ❑ Check out the Summer School, PhD call.
- ❑ Stay tuned for
 - ❑ The call for the new cohort for the Black Sea Young Ambassadors,
 - ❑ MSc in Blue Growth
 - ❑ Citizen campaigns

- ❑ Follow us!





THANK YOU!



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