

Black Sea Horizon International Conference

EU - Black Sea Cooperation in Science, Technology & Innovation: towards a jointly agreed STI programme

Divani Palace Acropolis

19-25 Parthenonos str., Metro Station 'Acropolis' Athens, Greece

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, 8 May 2017	
9:00 - 9:30	Registration
9:30 - 9:50	Welcome Addresses
	Georgios Mitrakos, Director General, International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) Martin Felix Gajdusek, Black Sea Horizon Coordinator, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI)
9:50 - 10:15	Keynote Speech
	Adrian Curaj, f. Minister of Education, Science and Innovation of Romania, Director General, Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development & Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI)
10:15 - 11:30	Session I. Cooperation in Science, Technology & Innovation. Best practices and future perspectives.

	Moderator: Gorazd Weiss, Head of Unit Research Policy & Development, ZSI
	Speakers:
	- The role of the Organization of BSEC in strengthening the cooperation among its Member States in the field of S&T
	Amb. Bratislav Đorđević, Executive Manager, BSEC PERMIS
	- CEEPUS – 25 Years of Experience in Regional Cooperation
	Elisabeth Sorantin, Secretary General, CEEPUS
	- JRC Scientific Support to Enlargement and Integration
	Luciana Zanier, DG Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission
	- EU-Black Sea Joint Call: Current Developments And Outlook
	Maria Josten, Scientific Officer, Project Management Agency, German Aerospace Center (DLR)
	- FP7 and Horizon 2020 funded projects-good practices for marine and maritime sectors
	Domnica Coteţ, Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI), Romania
	Q & A Session
11:30 - 12:00	Coffee break
12:00 - 12:30	Session II. Black Sea Cooperation Programme in Science, Technology and Innovation.
	Presentation of the Black Sea Cooperation Programme in Science, Technology and Innovation
	George Bonas, Managing Director, CeRISS
12:30 - 13:30	Session II. Black Sea Cooperation Programme in Science, Technology and Innovation (continued)
	Moderator: George Bonas, Managing Director, CeRISS
	Panel Discussion



Elchin Babayev, Executive Director, Science Development Foundation under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Vardan Sahakyan, Deputy Chairman, State Committee of Science of Armenia

Diana Kopeva, Member of the Executive Committee, Bulgarian National Science Fund

Manana Mikaberidze, Acting Director General, Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation (SRNSF)

Igor Serotila, Head, Dept. of S&T Policies, Academy of Sciences of Moldova

Yaroslav Sorokotyaga, Director, International Relations Department, Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR)

Hakan Karatas, Director for International Cooperation, TUBITAK, Turkey

Valentyna Andrushchenko, The State Fund For Fundamental Research of Ukraine

Q & A Session

13:30 - 14:30

Standing Lunch

14:30 - 16:00

Session III. Working Groups

Method: Participants will be divided in four working groups which will discuss the four proposed measures of the BSCP on, *inter alia,* feasibility, timeline, open issues, etc., in 20 minutes. At the end of the 20 minutes, moderators will rotate to a different working group for a new discussion.

Proposed Measures:

1. Joint Research Calls

Moderator: Béla Kardon, RCISD, supported by Zita Buday, RCISD

2. Capacity Building Activities

Moderator: Ines Marinkovic, ZSI, supported by Tigran Arzumanyan, NAS-RA

3. Strengthening Mobility

Moderator: Mariam Keburia, SRNSF, supported by Diana Grozav, CIP

4. Supporting Innovation

Moderator: Douglas Thompson, SPI, supported by Yannis Kechagiaras, CeRISS



16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 17:30	Plenary Session. Conclusions & Next Steps
	a) Results from the Working Groups
	1. Béla Kardon, RCISD
	2. Ines Marinkovic, ZSI
	3. Mariam Keburia, SRNSF
	4. Douglas Thompson, SPI
	b) Conclusions & Next Steps
	George Bonas, Managing Director, CeRISS
	Martin Felix Gajdusek, Black Sea Horizon Coordinator, ZSI

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