



Black Sea: Regional Strategic Directions' implementation

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Bucharest Convention (1)



Bucharest Convention (2)



Convention on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution

- Was signed in **Bucharest** in April 1992;
- Ratified by all six Black Sea Countries in the beginning of **1994**;
- Its basic objective is to substantiate the general obligation of the Contracting Parties **to prevent, reduce and control the pollution in the Black Sea** in order to **protect and preserve the marine environment** and to **provide a legal framework for co-operation and concerted actions** to fulfil this obligation.

Bucharest Convention (3)



It has 4 thematic Protocols:

1. Protocol on the Protection of the Black Sea Marine Environment Against Pollution from **Land Based Sources (LBS Protocol)**;
2. Protocol on the Protection of the Black Sea Marine Environment Against Pollution by **Dumping**;
3. Protocol on Cooperation in Combating Pollution of the Black Sea Marine Environment by **Oil and Other Harmful Substances in Emergency Situations**;
4. The Black Sea **Biodiversity and Landscape Conservation Protocol (CBD Protocol)**.
 - **Strategic Action Plan (SAP)** on the Protection and Rehabilitation of the Black Sea – adopted in 1996 and amended in **2009**.

Bucharest Convention (4)



6 Advisory Groups

- The Advisory Groups to the Black Sea Commission are the **main source of expertise, information and support** in the implementation of the Black Sea Strategic Action Plan.
- 1. ESAS – Advisory Group on the Environmental **Safety Aspects of Shipping**;
- 2. PMA – Advisory Group on the **Pollution Monitoring and Assessment**;
- 3. LBS – Advisory Group on Control of **Pollution from Land Based Sources**;
- 4. ICZM – Advisory group on the Development of Common Methodologies for **Integrated Coastal Zone Management**;
- 5. CBD – Advisory Group on the **Conservation of Biological Diversity**;
- 6. FOMLR – Advisory Group on the Environmental Aspects of the **Management of Fisheries** and other Marine Living Resources.

Progress in the implementation of the RSSD 2013-2016 (1)



1. Effectively apply an ecosystem approach in the management of the marine and coastal environment

- ▶ Ecosystem approach is incorporated into the provisions of the Bucharest Convention, i.e. BS SAP 2009 recognizes the **3 key environmental management approaches** for the Black Sea:
 - ▶ Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM);
 - ▶ The **Ecosystem Approach**;
 - ▶ Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM)
- ▶ Need to **mainstream the ecosystem approach** in the Black Sea.
- ▶ Cooperation with our partner-seas (Barcelona Convention, HELCOM and OSPAR Convention) and **jointly we could define some more activities** in this regard (draft MoU with UNEP/MAP).

Progress in the implementation of the RSSD 2013-2016 (2)



2. Contribute to the implementation of the Manila Declaration of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land Based Activities (GPA), in particular the partnerships on wastewater management, nutrients and marine litter.

- ▶ Activities within **Black Sea LBS Protocol** and **LBS Advisory Group** of the Black Sea Commission;
- ▶ Danube-Black Sea Joint Technical Working Group (**Danube-Black Sea JTWG**):
 - ▶ exchanges data on loads of pollution from the Danube to the Black Sea;
 - ▶ exchanges data on indicators for the assessment of the ecological status of the Black Sea;
 - ▶ harmonizes the assessment methodologies for point and diffuse pollution (based on the ICPDR experience on the Emission inventories, Hot Spots analysis and review of ranking methodologies);
- ▶ Projects focused on nutrients (**Baltic2Black**);
- ▶ **Marine Litter.**

Progress in the implementation of the RSSD 2013-2016 (2)



2. Contribute to the implementation of the Manila Declaration of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land Based Activities (GPA), in particular the partnerships on wastewater management, nutrients and marine litter.

- ▶ In 2005, the **Regional Activity on Marine Litter**, supported by UNEP, was launched ;
- ▶ During the following 3 years the two relevant Memorandums of Understanding (**MoUs**) between the BSC Permanent Secretariat and UNEP (Nairobi) were implemented ;
- ▶ 2007 **Report on Marine Litter in the Black Sea** (incl. the text of the Draft Marine Litter Action Plan for the Black Sea);
- ▶ Recommendation for **updating the BS SAP**, on methodologies, monitoring and assessment, increased public awareness on marine litter in the Black Sea;
- ▶ Advisory Groups activities under the BSC umbrella (**IPS, ICZM and EOMTD**) in

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