

The Black Sea Commission in the World Ocean Assessment' process

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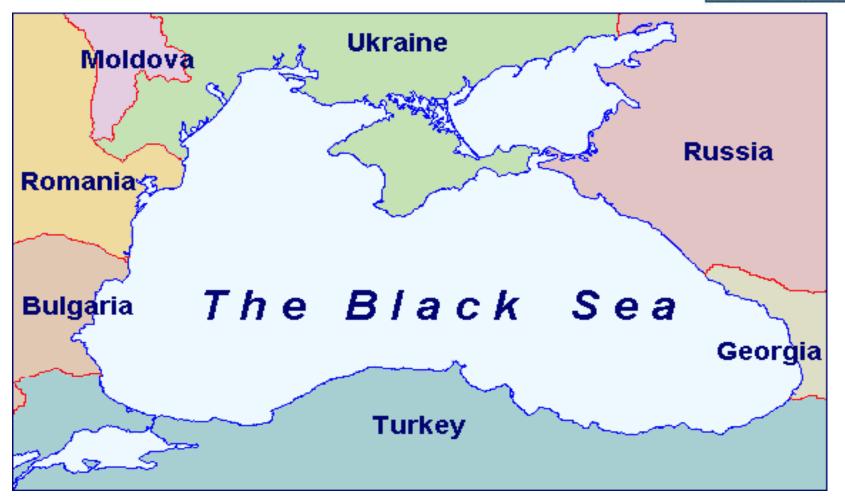




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Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution



Convention on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution (Bucharest Convention)



• was signed in Bucharest in April 1992;

• ratified by all six Black Sea countries in the beginning of 1994;

• <u>basic objective</u>: 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 legal framework for co-operation and concerted actions to fulfill this obligation.

• Only BG and RO are EU members, thus, the EU MSFD is not legally binding for entire region

Important satellite documents



- 1. Protocol on the Protection of the Black Sea Marine Environment Against Pollution from the 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.





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The Commission for the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution Permanent Secretariat Advisory Groups													
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Environmental Safety Aspects of Shipping (AC ESAS), <u>Varna</u> , Bulgaria	Pollution Monitoring and Assessment (AC PMA), Odessa, Ukraine	Control of Pollution from Land Based Sources (AC LBS), Istanbul, Turkey	Development of Common Methodologies for Integrated Coastal Zone Management (AG ICZM), Krasnodar, Russian Federation	Conservation of Biological Diversity (AC CBD), <u>Batumi</u> , Georgia	Environmental Aspects of Fisheries and Other Marine Living Resources Management (AG FOMLR), Constanta, Romania	Information and Data Exchange (AC IDE), Permanent Secretariat Istanbul, Turkey							
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