



Regional Initiative on Black and Azov Seas Coastal
Wetlands - BlackSeaWet



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Wednesday 26 September (Hotel "Black Sea", 1/20, Marazlievskaya St., Odessa)

08.45	Registration of Participants
09.15	OPENING SESSION [Moderator - M.Kuzio]
	Welcome addresses MENR – M.Kuzio Ramsar Secretariat – T. Salathé, Odessa Regional Council – Y.Maslov - tbc IMPEER NAS Ukraine – Boris Bourkinskyi Michael Succow Foundation – Uli Gräbener
	Adoption of the provisional agenda General objectives and expected outcomes of the meeting MENR – M. Kuzio
	General Information and Logistical Arrangements IMPEER – O.Rubel
10.00	SESSION 1: Country presentations on the use of ecosystem services/benefits and threats to the ecological character of regional Ramsar sites [Moderator - M.Kuzio]
	Ukraine
	Georgia
	Turkey
	Bulgaria
11.00	COFFEE BREAK
	Romania
	Moldova
12.00	SESSION 2: Ecosystem Services and Climate Change. Practical examples [Moderator – G. Marushevskiy - tbc]
	Valuation of Wetland Ecosystem Services Oleg Rubel, IMPEER
	Results from regional Paludiculture and ReedBASE projects Paul Goriup, Agricola
	Climate change and coastal wetlands Uli Gräbener, MSF
	Experience in implementing eco-services in China G. Marushevskiy
	Successful implementation of the project EMBLAS. G. Minicheva
13.00	LUNCH BREAK
14.30	SESSION 3: Discussion of draft resolutions and possible ways of their implementation within framework of BLACKSEAWET [Moderator - Tobias Salate]
	Regional Preparation for Ramsar CoP13: Relevant Draft Resolutions Tobias Salathé, Ramsar Secretariat

	Discussion of Draft resolution on the rapid assessment of wetland ecosystem services
	Discussion of Draft resolution on promoting the conservation and wise use of intertidal wetlands and ecologically associated habitats
	Discussion of Draft resolution on conservation and management of small wetlands
	Discussion of Draft resolution on agriculture in wetlands
	Discussion of Draft resolution on sustainable urbanization, climate change and wetlands
	Discussion of Draft resolution on Ramsar Regional Initiatives 2019-2021 and their Operational Framework
16.00	COFFEE BREAK
16.30	WORKING GROUPS [Tobias Salate, Paul Griap, Uli Grabener] Brief overview of resolutions on the concept of wise use of wetlands and their conservation and climate change issues. Foreexample: Resolution IX.1 Annex A <i>A Conceptual Framework for the wise use of wetlands and the maintenance of their ecological character</i> Resolution X.24 on <i>Climate change and wetlands</i> Discussion of possible areas of joint work based on the Ramsar concept of wise use of wetlands, ecosystem services assessment and measures of climate change mitigation.
17.30	Reports and recommendations from Working Groups
18.00	Close
19.30	Evening event and dinner

Thursday 27 September

08.45	Registration of Participants
09.00	SESSION 4: PREPARATION OF CONCLUSIONS [Moderator]
	Discussion of issues of enhancing the Convention's implementation effectiveness, visibility and synergies with other multilateral environmental agreements and other international institutions
	Discussion of Work plans of BLACKSEAWET for 2018-2021
	Discussion of project concepts and funding
11.00	COFFEE BREAK
11.30	Presentation, discussions of Draft Conclusions
12.00	Adoption of Conclusions
12.15	Close of the meeting MENR
12.30	Departure for Lower Dneister National Nature Park
17.30	Return to Odesa