

# ENI Cross Border Cooperation Programme

Black Sea Basin  
2014-2020

# Eligible area 2014-2020



## 8 participating countries:

Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey, Ukraine, (With Black Sea Surrounding territories)  
- Georgia, Rep. Moldova, Armenia (With the whole territory)

# ENI CBC 2014-2020 Programme objectives and priorities

**Objective 1. Promote business and entrepreneurship within the Black Sea Basin**

**1.1 Jointly promote business and entrepreneurship in the tourism and cultural sectors**

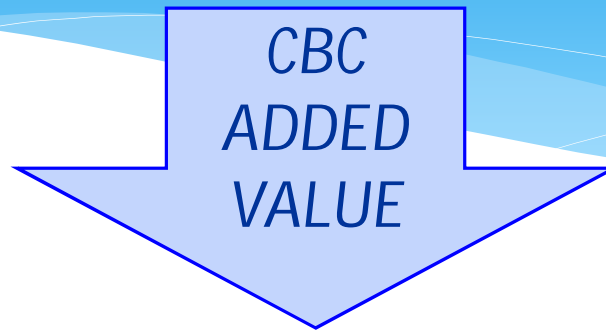
**1.2 Increase cross-border trade opportunities and modernization in the agricultural and connected sectors**

**Objective 2. Promote coordination of environmental protection and joint reduction of marine litter in the Black Sea Basin**

**2.1 Improve joint environmental monitoring**

**2.2 Promote common awareness-raising and joint actions to reduce river and marine litter**

## Why a ENI CBC programme?



- ❖ Providing common solutions to common challenges (whether in the field of health, research and education, transport or sustainable energy) through CBC projects;
- ❖ Enhancing mutual understanding across the borders through CBC projects;
- ❖ Opening greater opportunities for people in the border regions through CBC projects.

# ENI Black Sea CBC: Legal framework

Setting up  
the thematic  
objectives of  
ENI CBC.

conditions for the  
application of  
the ENI CBC legal  
framework

ENI CBC  
Programming  
document

ENI CBC  
Implementing rules

Financing  
agreement  
signed by  
Georgia  
and EC

Joint operational  
programme Black Sea  
Basin 2014-2020

National  
legislation

Call for proposals



## ENI Black Sea CBC: Management structures

- **Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC)**: supervises and monitors programme implementation and is responsible for the approval of project proposals;
- **Managing Authority (MA)**: responsible for the management and implementation of the programme (ROMANIA);
- **Joint Technical Secretariat (JTS)**: assists the MA, JMC, AA and the SC in carrying out their respective duties;
- **National Authorities (NAs)**: national counterpart institution to the Managing Authority in each participating country and overall responsible for supporting the MA in the implementation of the programme in their own countries;
- **Audit Authority (AA)**: carries out audits on the programme management and control systems, on an appropriate sample of projects and on the annual accounts of the programme;
- **Group of Auditors (GoA)**: assists the Audit Authority in carrying out its tasks;
- **Control Contact Points (CCPs)**: support the Managing Authority in its control functions;

# From ENPI CBC 2007-2013 to ENI CBC 2014-2020

## Black Sea Basin Programme

- Great interest in BSB Programme 2007-2013:
  - high number of projects (368) submitted under the 2 calls for proposals and 62 contracts concluded;
  - increase of the initial Programme's budget (29 mln. euros) with 11 million Euro, by the EC, recognizing the importance of the Programme as an instrument for facilitating cross-border cooperation.
- Excellent cooperation among partner countries leading to stable partnerships;
- This common multilateral experience - used for moving forward to the BSB Programme 2014-2020.

# Budget 2014-2020



- increased budget with 40%;
- common budget (ENI + IPA)



ENI Budget : 39 mil. Euro

IPA Budget : 10 mil. Euro

} pooled together

- Total EU contribution (ENI+IPA): 49 mil. Euro plus national co-financing (10 %)
- Total funding 54 mil. Euro





## Budget at Project level / Size of Grants

Priority	Minimum amount	Maximum amount
Priority 1.1: Jointly promote business and entrepreneurship in the tourism and cultural sectors	500 000	1 500 000
Priority 1.2: Increase cross-border trade opportunities and modernization in the agricultural and connected sectors	300 000	700 000
Priority 2.1: improve joint environmental monitoring	500 000	1 000 000
Priority 2.2: Promote common awareness-raising and joint actions to reduce river and marine litter	300 000	1 000 000

## Eligibility of activity

- Implemented in the programme eligible area;
- Project duration: 18 - 30 months
- Eligible organizations: NGOs, Municipalities, Regional authorities, state universities and other non-profit organizations.
- Partnership: Maximum 6 partners and Minimum - 3 partners from different countries (including lead applicant).
- Percentage:
  - ✓ ENI funds – maximum 92%
  - ✓ Co-financing – minimum 8%
  - ✓ Percentages of grant and co-financing -equal for all Partners
- Could be small scale investments – maximum 500.000 Euro

## Success Stories



## Achievements from the Georgian perspective

- Programme contributed to building partnerships between the countries of the Black Sea region - about 40 Georgian organizations have been actively engaged in the CBC projects, they created new partnerships and gained valuable experience from others.
- \* Final beneficiaries of the programme are the people working in the NGOs, Universities, professional associations – about 320 Georgians have been employed and engaged in the different projects activities.
- \* Programme contributed to the developments of the Civil Society in the Country: many of the organizations awarded as a CBC partners are newly established which benefited with gaining experience and moving forward their activity in the field.
- \* CBC Projects contributed to the implementation of the state policies: EU-Georgia Association agreement / DCFTA, Environmental – waste management strategies and etc.



## Challenges / Problems

- Complex project application and implementation procedures creates barriers for the potential beneficiaries – there is a need for decreasing administrative burden for CBC beneficiaries.
- \* About 90 % of the CBC beneficiaries are NGOs which are more resilient and are committed to engage in CBC Projects while State organizations such as municipalities, mayors offices and other regional authorities are not active and less interested. There is a need to encourage state organizations to engage in the projects actively.
- \* Compatibility of the national legislation of the different partner countries with the CBC Implementing Rules including procurement, staff recruitment, registration, banking and etc.
- \* Having 8 countries on board with different policies and different approaches , its sometimes difficulty to find common understanding on the issues involving interest of different countries – more coordination is needed.

Thank you for your attention!



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