

Dear Madam / Sir,

The Department of Sustainable Development of the Romanian Government, in collaboration with the *Black Sea Universities Network* (BSUN), the Organization of the *Black Sea Economic Cooperation* (BSEC) and the Black Sea Chapter of SDSN, cordially invites you to participate in the International Conference titled "Implementation of the UN 2030 SDGs in the Black Sea Region", which will take place in Bucharest, Palace of the Romanian Parliament, on the 4th and 5th of October, 2019.

On Friday, 4th of October, national coordinators on the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda and other specialists will present best practices regarding SDGs in the Black Sea region. Saturday, 5th of October, will be a "scientific" day, including the presentation of advanced scientific achievements in the field of data collection, data processing, modeling, simulation, forecasting, as well as evaluation activities related to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in the Black Sea region.

It is widely acknowledged that international partnerships and cross-border collaborations for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda can generate mutual benefits for all parties involved and create valuable synergies, especially in the field of Education and Scientific Research. The fundamental principle of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development is encapsulated as: "Leave no one behind". To achieve the implementation of all 17 SDGs at a global scale, every country, every citizen, has to contribute to the implementation of the new universal agenda.

In this respect, the above mentioned International Conference has been conceived to offer multiple possibilities for valuable exchanges of knowledge among governmental coordinators of SDGs in the Black Sea region and other actors from the academic sector, public institutions and from civil society, as well as among stakeholders directly or indirectly involved in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. Moreover, the Conference is organized in partnership with the *Black Sea Chapter of the Sustainable Development Solutions Network,* in order to facilitate the connectivity between the most valuable research groups and experts from the BSEC member states and those of the global network that are dedicated to support the implementation process.

We kindly invite you to participate and contribute to the debates that will take place during the various sessions of the International Conference on <u>"Implementation of the UN 2030 SDGs in the Black Sea Region"</u>. We are looking forward to your confirmation by the, latest, September 15. The organizational costs of the event are supported by the Romanian Government; participants have only to cover their travel and hotel accommodation expenses.

Registration may be done online at the link here or offline, using the form attached herewith.







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