

# Pilot Activities on Fighting Micro Plastics and Marine Litter in the Black Sea



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# About the Grant

The BSEC PERMIS was approved by DG NEAR to receive a direct grant under the *EU Regional Action Program*, with the aim to strengthen the project implementation capacity of the BSEC Organization and its role as facilitator of dialog and cooperation in the region.

**Areas of work:** transport (Sustainable Small-Scale Cruising/Yachting in the Black Sea), environmental protection (Pilot Activities on Fighting Micro Plastics and Marine Litter in the Black Sea) and youth entrepreneurship (Supporting Youth Entrepreneurship in Cultural Tourism for coastal communities in the Black Sea Region).

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## Aim, Target Groups, Partners

**Aim:** contributes to the regional dialogue on mitigating and effectively tackling marine pollution and marine litter in the Black Sea, while at the same time seeking innovative solutions to salient problems

**Target groups** - municipalities from the Black Sea littoral countries, fishing communities, primary school students and young people

**Core Partners** - BSEC Permanent International Secretariat (BSEC PERMIS); International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS); Municipality of Sariyer and GAMA Recycle A.S.

**Associated Partner** - USA Consulate in Istanbul



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# Method of Implementation

**Method of implementation** – three main groups of activities:

**A) pilot innovative and practical solutions in order to address marine litter**

- small-scale collection of old fishing nets and related marine litter in the municipality of Sariyer



- Engaging with a renowned recycling company **GAMA** 





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**B) raising awareness about the issue of marine litter and specifically the recycling of plastic litter among the younger generations**

- creation of an educational school kit



- organization of a Regional Essay Competition targeting high-school students -  
<http://www.bsec-bsvkc.org/Forms/News/newsDetails?targetID=2129>





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### C) highlighting the results of the Project and building a coalition of municipalities along the Black Sea coastline

- creation of a short video for awareness raising purposes (<http://www.bsec-bsvkc.org/Forms/Default>)
- organisation of a regional conference to highlight the results of the action and to encourage further pollution-preventing action in the Black Sea (November 2022)





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