

## Blue Economy Expert Forum

Tulcea, June 16 - 18, 2026

### DAY 1 - 16.06.2026 Welcome & Background of Blue Economy

*VENUE: MIHAIL KOGĂLNICEANU Conference Hall - Tulcea County Council, 20 Păcii St., Tulcea*

10:00 – 10:30 Registration & Welcome Coffee

#### 10:30 – 11:30 Welcome Speeches

Horia Teodorescu - President of Tulcea County Council, Andreea Străchinescu - Head of Innovations - DG MARE, Stavros Kalognomos - Executive Secretary, CPMR Balkan and Black Sea Commission, Eugen Terente - Prefect of Tulcea County, Florin Stăneală - Governor of DDBRA, Ștefan Ilie - Mayor of Tulcea Municipality, Dr. Biol. Marian Tudor - General Director DDNI, Ilie Petre - President of ADI-ITI Danube Delta, Paul Butnariu - President of Chamber of Commerce and Industry Iași, Cezar Grozavu - BRCT Suceava, Valentyn Stroia - Bilateral Chamber of Commerce RO-UA, Trifon Antov - Chamber of Commerce and Industry Odessa, Paul Cononov - Director SGA Tulcea, Carmen Cononov - ADR SE

11:15 – 11:30 **Keynote speaker** Andreea Străchinescu - Head of Innovations - DG MARE

11:30 – 13:00 The what and how on Blue Economy

Dr. Delia Dimitriu - EU Expert, Dr. Iulian Nichersu - Scientific Director DDNI, COMPLEX DELTA, Yuwei Shi - California Blue Pioneers US

13:00 - 14:30 LUNCH BREAK SI NETWORKING - HOTEL DELTA - RESTAURANT

*VENUE: HOTEL DELTA 4\* - TOMA CARAGIU Conference Hall, 2 Isacpei St., Tulcea*

### Strategy on Blue Economy - Delta's Resources

Chair: Andreea Străchinescu - Head of Innovations - DG MARE

14:30 – 15:00 **Fisheries Panel:**

Chair - Dr. Adrian Burada - DDNI

Marian Chiriac - ANPA, Marcel Ivănică (Deltaica, Rompescador), Lucian Sanda - FOPDD, Claudiu-Dragoș Cladiade - Sfântu Gheorghe Hall, Florin Stăneală - Governor of DDBRA, Alina Al-Garby - Zagreb University (UNIZAG), Oleg Diacov - Ukraine Biosphere Reserve - TBC

15:00 – 15:30 **Ecotourism Panel:**

Chair - Florin Moldoveanu - Complex Delta

Alexandru Filip - OMD Tulcea, Raluca Cacencu - OMD Tulcea County, Daniel Ilușcă - Danube Delta Tourism Association - TBC, Stefania Sahanschi - Association Ivan Patzaichin Mila 23, Cristian Mocanu - Paddle Journeys, Roxana Iacob - GAL Danube Delta, Florina Zaharia - ACTE Dunărea de Jos University,

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Dr. Ștefan Răileanu - DDNI, Prof. Dr. Eduardo Leite - Madeira University, Jurilovca Hall

15:30 – 15:45 COFFEE-BREAK

Convener: Dr. Eng. Iulian Nichersu, Scientific Director DDNI

15:45 – 16:15 **Biodiversity Panel**

Chair: Dr. Raluca Nicolae - GEOSTUD

Răzvan Gabriel Odor, Carmen Neagu - MEWF, Liliana Ivancenco - DDBRA, Dr. Albert Scriciu, Dr. Dan Vasiliu - GEOECOMAR, Dr. Gabriel Lupu, Dr. Alexandru Doroșencu, Dr. Lucian Bolboacă - DDNI, Ana Găman - Natura 5, Dr. Cristina Sandu - IAD

16:15 – 16:45 **Renewable energy Panel**

Chair - Stavros Kalognomos, CPMR: „Clean, accessible and secure energy for all: introducing the CRETE VALLEY project”

Dr. Adela Bara - ICPE-CA, Dr. Ioan Iordache - General Director ICMET, Dr. Maria Paraschiv - UNSTPB, Dr. Ion Mălăeșel, Dr. Radu Kuncser - COMOTI, Paul Butnariu - President of Chamber of Commerce and Industry Iași

16:45 – 17:15 **Circularity Panel**

Chair - Dr. Eng. Iulian Nichersu, Scientific Director DDNI

Ștefan Popescu - GEOSTUD, Drd. Dragoș Balaican - DDNI, Murighiol Hall - TBC, Drd. Bogdan Gheorghe - DDNI, Sabin Puianu - Natura 5, JT Group - TBC

17:15 – 17:30 **Innovation Landscape**: Dr. Iuliana Nichersu, FZI Germania - Participants engagement roundtable

17:30 – 17:45 Wrap-up - Dr. Delia Dimitriu

19:00 - FESTIVE DINNER - HOTEL DELTA Main Restaurant

## DAY 2 - 17.06.2026 INTEGRATED SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

**VENUE: HOTEL DELTA 4\* - TOMA CARAGIU Conference Hall, 2 Isacsei St., Tulcea**

9:30 -10:00 – WELCOME COFFEE

**10:00 – 11:00 Tulcea County Transport Strategy - Panel**

Chair: Dr. Dimitriu Delia - European Expert

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**Panel:** Florin Tache - Synesis Partners, Stoian Vâlcu - RA Danube Delta Airport, Nicolae Chichi - NAVROM, Prof. Dr. Florin Nemțanu - UNSTPB, Prof. Dr. Bogdan Varga - UTCN, Valentin Moldoveanu - EFS Expert

**11:00 – 12:30 Transport logistics Hub - Panel**

Chair: Prof. Dr. Florin Nemțanu - UNSTPB

Yuriy Dimchoglo - Ferry Crossing Point Orlivka (Ukraine), Georgeta Mauna - Isaccea Hall, Nicolae Chichi - NAVROM, Dl. Stoian Vâlcu - RA Danube Delta Airport, Ilie Petre - President of ADI ITI DD, Dr. Cristina Sofronia Mihailovici - LJM University, Natalia Budescu Sălceanu - Association Romanian River Transport Cluster, Paul Butnariu - President of Chamber of Commerce and Industry Iași

*13:00 - 14:30 LUNCH BREAK SI NETWORKING – HOTEL DELTA - RESTAURANT*

**14:00 - 15:00 Decarbonizing transport - Panel**

Chair: Prof. Dr. Bogdan Varga - UTCN

Prof. Dr. Asen Asenov - Ruse University, Mădălina Toma - TDP, Leonid Artamon - CJT, Dr. Ioan Iordache - General Director ICMET, Natalia Budescu Sălceanu - Association Romanian River Transport Cluster, Massimo Corradi - SEA Milano

*15:00 – 15:30 COFFEE – BREAK*

**15:30 – 16:30 Best practice projects - Panel**

Chair: Valentin Moldoveanu - EFS Expert SRL

Daniela Petroschi - The Institution of the Prefect of Tulcea County

Dragoș Ioniță - Sulina Free Zone Administration

Nicolae Chichi, NAVROM

George Enciu, NAVLOMAR - Cargo transport on the Danube

Liviu Șotre, LIDAS

Cătălin Nedelcu, road transport CJT

Cristian Mititelu, Tulcea Municipality

Dr. Alexandru Bănescu, Ing. Paula Pindic - DDNI: POIM - Improving hydrological conditions in natural habitats for biodiversity conservation in the DDBR

16:30 Wrap-up – Dr. Delia Dimitriu

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**DAY 3 - 18.06.2026 Blue Economy Infrastructure**

**VENUE: HOTEL DELTA 4\* - TOMA CARAGIU Conference Hall – 2 Isaccei St., Tulcea**

8:30 - 9:00 – WELCOME COFFEE

**9:00 - 10:30 Wetland infrastructure - Panel**

Chair: Dr. Cristian Mihai Adamescu - UB

Stavros Kalognomos - CPMR BBSC, Complex Delta SRL , Dr. Adrian Burada - DDNI,

Drd. Dragoș Balaican - DDNI: Inovation in Aquaculture (Enisala) - SWIM, DaWetRest & Caraorman Science and Technology Park

**10:30 – 11:00 Impact and its relevance:** Hugo Faria - INOVA+

**11:00 – 12:00 The role of Monitoring Added Value Results - Panel**

Chair: Dr. Delia Dimitriu

Dr. Simona Lițescu-Filipescu - INCDSB, Dr. Iulian Nichersu - DDNI - DANUBIUS-RI, Dr. Cristina Sandu - IAD, Mirela Raicu - APM, Paul Cononov - SGA, Liliana Ivancenco - DDBRA, Cornel Berteau-Hanganu - SGG, Boian Koulov - CAWRI-BAS

**12:00 – 12:30 Conclusions & Next Steps**

Chair: Dr. Delia Dimitriu

CJT, ADI-ITI DD, DDNI, ADRSE, DDBRA, UTCN, UNSTPB

12:30 – LUNCH BREAK & NETWORKING – HOTEL DELTA RESTAURANT

13:30 – DANUBE DELTA FIELD TRIP – DEPARTURE FROM THE Hotel Delta Pier – in front of the Restaurant

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