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 **Agenda**

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|  **17 November 2020, starting at 10 AM EET** |
| **10.00 – 10.15** | **Opening of the online meeting for connection of the participants** |
| **10.15 – 10.45** | **Welcome address*** ***Mr.* *Iulian Octavian Stana*, Secretary of State, Ministry of the Environment, Waters and Forests of Romania**
* ***Mr.* *Alexandru Ene*, Representative of the Romanian Chairmanship-in-Office of BSEC, Chair of the BSEC Senior Official Committee**
* ***H.E.* *Ambassador Michael B. Christides*, Secretary General of the Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS) of BSEC**
* ***Mr. Radoslaw Darski*, Deputy Head of Division, Eastern Partnership, Regional Cooperation and OSCE, European External Action Service (EEAS)**
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| **10.45 – 11.00** | **EU against marine litter and the European Green Deal – *Mr. Michail Papadoyannakis*, Senior Expert, Marine Environment and Water Industry Unit, DG ENV**  |
| **11.00 – 11.15** | **Regional commitments in the Black Sea related to the marine litter - *Prof. Halil. I. Sur*, Executive Director, Black Sea Commission Permanent Secretariat** |
| **11.15 – 11.30** | **Romanian approach to reduce the impact of plastic and micro-plastic pollution on the Black Sea marine waters - *Mr. Gheorghe Constantin*, Director, Water Resources Management, Ministry of Environment, Waters and Forests of Romania** |
| **11.30 – 11.50** | **Presentation of the EU support in the Black Sea Region** ***Ms. Sieglinde Gruber*, Head of Unit of DG RTD on Healthy Oceans and Seas*****Ms. Patrizia Busolini*, Policy Officer at DG MARE, Sea basin strategies, Maritime Regional Cooperation and Maritime Security** |
| **11:50 – 12:00** | ***Q&A Session*** |
| **12.00 – 12.15** | **Coffee Break** |
| **12.15 – 12.30** | **Existing framework of cooperation within BSEC for development of joint projects- *Ms. Rositsa Stoeva*, Executive Manager BSEC PERMIS** |
| **12.30 – 13.45** | **Presentations/Interventions from the BSEC countries related to the pollution with plastic and microplastic-BSEC countries (to be established in advance)**  |
| **13.45 – 14.30** | **Presentations/interventions from stakeholders (NGO, academia, industry, research organizations, etc.)** **Discussion on future projects and cooperation** |
| **14:30 – 14:45** | ***Final Q&A Session*** |
| **14.45 – 15.00** | **Conclusions & Next Steps** **- Romanian Chairmanship-in-Office and BSEC PERMIS** |