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## "Protect-Streams-4-Sea" in the Forest Information Billboard

An article with an overview of the BSB963 "protect-Streams-4-Sea:" project was published in the Forest Information Billboard Issue 4, 2021. The title of the article is "BSB963-Protecting streams for a clean Black Sea by reducing sediment and litter pollution with joint innovative monitoring and control tools and nature-based practices." The purpose of the Forest Information Billboard is to gather all news from the forest sector in one place. It is published quarterly by UNECE and FAO (see <a href="https://unece.org/forest-information-billboard">https://unece.org/forest-information-billboard</a>). This will disseminate the project to a wide range of scientists and stakeholders worldwide.



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The project (with the acronym "Protect-Streams-4-Sea") has a diverse partnership with partners from Greece, Romania, Armenia, Republic of Moldova and Turkey. The overall objective of the project is the environmental protection and reduction of pollutants and litter in Black Sea. This will be done by focusing on the inland pollutants and litter, specifically those that originated from the watersheds, are transported by the rivers that eventually end in the Black Sea. This includes a joint monitoring program on pollutants and litter to promote the coordination of environmental protection and joint reduction through the adoption of best management practices. The project will lead to sustainable growth and improve the welfare of the people of the region. The project has parallel activities in each country so each partner will perform the same methodologies in a different pilot area. The pilot areas are five different waterbodies with unique characteristics and are distributed in the five participated countries: a) Aggitis River Basin in Greece, b) Buzau River Basin and Siriu Reservoir in Romania, c) Debed River Basin in Armenia, d) Baltata River Basin in Moldova and e) Arhavi River Basin in Turkey (see Figure). The project is financed by the European Union through European Neighborhood Instrument (ENI) - Cross-border cooperation (CBC) - in the frame of the

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