



First Steering Committee Meeting and Workshop represented by the countries participating in the grant - Integrated Coastal Monitoring of Environmental Problems in Sea Region and the Ways of their Solution (ICME) won within the EU Black Sea programme was held at the conference room of

Georgian Technical University on March 19-20, 2014.

The organizer of the above events was Union Science and Energetics (Georgia).

The participants of the Steering Committee Meeting and Workshop were: Greece – Thessalonika Municipality, Turkey – Karadeniz Technical University, Armenia – State University of Architecture and Construction and Georgia – Union Science and Energetics.

Problems relating to the water pollution in the Black Sea

ports namely in the ports of Thessalonika, Trabzon and Poti were discussed. The main speaker at the meeting was Mr. Shalva Gagoshidze, Full Professor

of Georgian Technical University. Mr. Shalva Gagoshidze summarized the first stage of the programme - monitoring of the water quality, sampling

methodology, main results of the research. Mr. Kadir Seyhan, Full Professor of Karadeniz Technical University (Turkey), Mr. Vazha Jamarjashvili, Full

Professor of Georgian Technical University, Mr. Elizbar Khatiashvili, leading specialist of TbilTskaliGeo, Vasil Tzoumaka, representative of

Thessalonika Municipality and Polikarpos Karkavitsas, Project Manager spoke about the conducted experiments. The representatives of the apparatus of

State Minister of European Integration and Ministry of Energy and Environmental Protection participated in the discussions too. They positively

evaluated the workshop indicating that it was run in a businesslike, constructive and friendly environment. Upon completing the business part, the

guests got acquainted with the sights of the city and prior to leaving they thanked the organizers for the work performed and had discussions about

the necessity of the further meetings.

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