



# IASON

## *Protecting the Baltic Sea ecosystems from invasive alien species*

<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	<b>IASON – Invasive Alien Species Observatory and Network Development for the Assessment of Climate Change Impacts in Black Sea Deltaic Protected Areas</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD</b>	01.07.2020 – 30.04.2023
<b>ORGANISATIONS INVOLVED</b>	The Danube Delta National Institute for Research and Development (RO); Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Authority (RO); Institute of Marine Biology of the National Academy of Sciences (UA); International Hellenic University (GR); Karadeniz Technical University (TR); International Business and Economic Development Center (GE)
<b>PROGRAMME</b>	Black Sea Basin ENI CBC 2014-2020
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	987.700,00 €



Situated across the European and Asian junctions, the Black Sea coastlines are known for their density in population and economic growth potential. Historically – due to various reasons such as shipping and global warming – the Black Sea is under the invasion of alien species from the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea. Invasive Alien Species (IAS) are the focus of the IASON project, whose aim is to improve the monitoring system of a phenomena leading to a dramatic alteration of the ecosystem balance as well as of a range of socio-economic activities. Through joint monitoring actions in the deltaic ecosystems of five countries (Georgia, Greece, Ukraine, Romania and Turkiye), project partners aim at developing an Observatory through which gather more information on IAS, and where to network with citizens to increase their awareness of the problem. As a result, the response to the threat of Invasive Alien Species according to different biogeographical zones will be improved.



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