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IASON Project, BSB 1121 - KICKOFF MEETING

IASON Project activities began to be implemented according to the AF. In July 2020 the contract has been signed.

The program began to be implemented dynamically despite the difficulty of physical communication due to COVID 19 pandemic. The communication between the partners is continuous, direct and successful, solving malfunctions that occur due to the distance. The kick-off meeting took place on 17 September 2020 and due to COVID - 19 restrictions, the meeting was organized online using the Microsoft Teams platform, hosted by Danube Delta National Institute (Lead Partner). The discussed topic was the identification of the ecosystems and the IAS (Invasive Alien Species) that will be approached by each partner. Given the fact that the species distribution models can be applied in both terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, each partner can focus, based on their areas of work, on the critical ecosystems within the protected areas from their region and on the species that are the most aggressive. Also, during this event, the organization of the Integrated Management Unit (IMU) and the Steering Committee were discussed, the work plan was discussed, the people responsible for the elaboration of the templates of the first deliverables of the project were established.

During this period, LP - DDNI, with the contribution of the partners, developed the first deliverable of the project - D.M.1.1 Management Steering Committee and Plan and the first activities (A.T) assumed in the 3 work packages (WP) were started.

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PARTNER INSTITUTION LOGOS



LP – The Danube Delta National Institute for Research and Development (**DDNI**) Romania



PP2 – Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Authority (**DDBRA**) - Romania



PP3 – Institute of Marine Biology of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (**IMB**) - Ukraine



PP4 – International Hellenic University (**IHU**) - Greece
• Department of Forestry & Natural Environment



PP5 – Karadeniz Technical University (**KTU-MSF**) - Turkey
• Marine Sciences Faculty



PP6 – International Business and Economic Development Center (**IBEDC**) - Georgia

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