



**From Wider Black Sea Region to Eastern Neighborhood:  
Change of Name or Change of Game?**

*Black Sea Trust 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2013*

**Draft agenda**

**Thursday, March 7**

363 grants

Arrival of participants  
*Accommodation: Hilton Hotel, 1-3 Episcopiei Street*

256 grantees

**18:00** **Welcome Cocktail**  
**Hosted by The President of Romania**  
*Cotroceni Palace, 1<sup>st</sup> Geniului Street, Bucharest*

95 participants - 10 study tours

32 policy events

**20:30 – 22:00** **Night owl sessions**  
*Hilton Hotel, 1-3 Episcopiei Street*

5 Black Sea NGO Forums

**In Search of Power: Civil Society, the Forgotten Force**

**Paige Alexander**, Assistant Administrator for the Bureau of Europe and Eurasia,  
USAID

6 regional art festivals

**Atila Eralp**, Director, International Policy Research Institute, Economic Policy  
Research Foundation of Turkey (TEPAV)

**Orysia Lutsevych**, Non-resident Fellow, Chatham House

4 regional summer camps

**Jerzy Pomianowski**, Executive Director, European Endowment for Democracy

*Moderator: Alina Inayeh, Director, Black Sea Trust*

4 regional networks - journalists,  
civic leaders, young reformers,  
think tanks

**In Search of God: Islamism in the Wider Black Sea Region**

**Nadezhda Arbatova**, Head of Department of European Political Studies, Institute for  
World Economy and International Relations, Russian Academy of Sciences

**Iulian Chifu**, Advisor for Strategic Affairs and International Security to the President  
of Romania

**Diba Nigar Göksel**, Editor-in-Chief, Turkish Policy Quarterly, Turkey

**Altay Goyushov**, Senior Fellow, Center for Islamic Studies, Azerbaijan

*Moderator: Pavol Demes, Senior Non-Resident Fellow, German Marshall Fund*

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**In Search of Truth: The Role of Media in the Region**

**Sergiu Celac**, Senior Advisor, National Center for Sustainable Development, Romania

**Salpi Ghazarian**, Director, Civilitas Foundation, Armenia

**Vazha Salamadze**, Director, Civic Society Institute, Georgia

Moderator: **Dinu Toderaşcu**, Program Officer, Black Sea Trust

**Friday, March 8**

*Cercul Militar, 1<sup>st</sup> Constantin Mile Street, Bucharest*

**8:30 – 9:00**      **Welcome Coffee**

**9:00**      **Introductions by: Craig Kennedy**, President German Marshall Fund

**Keynote address: Paige Alexander**, Assistant Administrator for the Bureau of Europe and Eurasia, USAID

**9:30 – 11:00**      **The Energy (R)evolution and Its Regional Impact**

**Mihnea Constantinescu**, Ambassador at Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Romania

**Mykola Kapitonenko**, Executive Director, Center for International Studies, Ukraine

**Adam Balcer**, Programme Director, demosEuropa, Poland

**Talgat Kaliyev**, Charge d'Affaires, Embassy of Republic of Kazakhstan (TBC)

Moderator: **Nicu Popescu**, Advisor to Prime Minister, Government of Republic of Moldova

**11:00 – 11:30**      **Coffee Break**

**11:30 – 13:00**      **2014-2015 Impact on the Regional Security**

**Mustafa Aydin**, Rector, Kadir Has University, Turkey

**Iulian Fota**, Advisor for National Security, Presidential Administration, Romania

**Ketevan Tsikhelashvili**, First Deputy State Minister, Ministry for Reintegration, Georgia

**Tigran Mkrtchyan**, Advisor to Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Armenia

Moderator: **Dimitrios Triantaphyllou**, Director, Center for International Studies, Kadir Has University, Turkey



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13:00 - 14:00 Networking Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 The Silk (and Steel?) Road: Economic Opportunities for the Region

Mircea Geoană, Member of Parliament, Romania

Oleh Shamshur, Non-resident fellow, German Marshall Fund, Ukraine

Huseyn Panahov, Director, NATO International School of Azerbaijan

Vladimir Socor, Senior Fellow, Jamestown Foundation, United States

Moderator: **Ozgur Unluhisarcikli**, Director, Ankara Office of German Marshall Fund

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:30 Dreaming of a Union: European and/or Eurasian?

Christoph Israng, Head of Division for Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe,  
the Caucasus and Central Asia, German Federal Chancellery

Tedo Japaridze, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Parliament of Georgia

Andrey Kortunov, Director, Council on Foreign Relations, Russia

Oleksiy Makeev, Deputy Head of Political Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,  
Ukraine

Moderator: **Tim Judah**, Special Correspondent, The Economist

19:30 Regional Cocktail

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Saturday, March 9

Departure of participants