

Black Sea Day 31st of October in Sinop, TURKEY

Within the scope of the Black Sea Day, Turkey's 2nd Inception Meeting was held in the city of Sinop. The poster of the Hot Black Sea project was displayed in the meeting room and at the entrance of the hotel, and leaflets in Turkish were handed to the participants.

This 2nd Inception Meeting of Turkey in Sinop was held on 31 October 2013 by the participation of a total of 64 experts from related governmental institutions / organizations, universities, municipalities and non-governmental organizations.



At the beginning of the meeting, Bakir Ergül, Mayor of Sinop, gave an opening speech regarding the characteristics of Sinop and the importance of environmental awareness; following this, Mr. Tahsin Ceylan, diving instructor and marine photographer, presented an underwater video titled "Life in the Depths of Black Sea," while highlighting the importance of cooperation for saving the Black Sea environment. After the video presentation, Mrs. Nazlı Yenal, expert in Ministry of Urbanization and Environment, gave a presentation on "Marine Pollution in Black Sea and the Activities in Process." Subsequently, Mrs. Gülsen Avaz, Project Leader of Turkey, gave a presentation on the details of the "Hot Black Sea" project, studies that were carried out and scheduled to be carried out, and the support expected from the partners within the scope of the project. Finally, Mrs. Bahar Özögüt, expert in Ministry of Urbanization and Environment, gave a presentation on the "Bucharest Convention and the Related Projects we are Involved in." And the meeting was concluded with questions and evaluations.

Following the lunch break, participants were escorted to Akliman Beach to watch the school children collect garbage, as an environmental activity organized by the municipality.



The Project was introduced to the participants, and the awareness of the participants, regarding the Hot Black Sea Region, was increased.