

***First meeting of the Monitoring Committee
7 February 2023, Istanbul, Türkiye***

On 7 February, 2023, in Istanbul, Türkiye, took place the first meeting of the (Interreg VI-B) NEXT Black Sea Basin Programme Monitoring Committee.

The representatives of the seven participating countries (Bulgaria, Georgia, Greece, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Turkey and Ukraine), the European Commission, Managing Authority, Joint Secretariat and TESIM Project discussed the main aspects related to the first call for proposals, the content of the Application Packs, project evaluation and selection rules, as well as the Monitoring Committee's Rules of Procedure.

Monitoring Committee members discussed the content of the Application Packs for regular and small-scale projects, both to be included in the first call for project proposals to be launched under the Programme during the next period. More details will be soon added at: <https://blacksea-cbc.net/interreg-next-bsb-2021-2027/calls-for-proposals>

Furthermore, the (Interreg VI-B) NEXT Black Sea Basin Programme Monitoring Committee Rules of Procedure, describing the organization and functioning of the Committee, were also presented and discussed. Further information can be found at: <https://blacksea-cbc.net/interreg-next-bsb-2021-2027/management-structures/monitoring-committee>

The Monitoring Committee for the (Interreg VI-B) NEXT Black Sea Basin Programme has adopted the following decisions:

- To approve the Rules of Procedure for Monitoring Committee for (Interreg VI-B) NEXT Black Sea Basin Programme;
- To approve the Content of the Application Packs for regular and small-scale projects.