



PRESS RELEASE
ON THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE "LARGE SCALE RESTORATION OF
COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS THROUGH RIVERS
TO SEA CONNECTIVITY - REST-COAST" PROJECT

The Annual Meeting of the "Large scale RESToration of COASTal ecosystems through rivers to sea connectivity - REST-COAST" project took place on 19-21 September 2023 in Gdansk, Poland.

As partner of the project consortium, the BSEC PERMIS was represented in the Meeting by Ms. Rositsa STOEVA, Executive Manager in charge of project management.

The aim of the Meeting was to take stock of the first two years of the project's implementation stage covering all work packages.

The current status of restoration of the Pilot sides was the main topic discussed. Special attention was paid to the climate risk reduction through innovative restoration approaches. The progress with the financial/business plans for restoration upscaling have been also touched upon.

The General Assembly and Steering Committee met as well to discuss the work program for the next year. The Committee agreed upon the organization, in October 2024, in Istanbul, with BSEC PERMIS as host, a stakeholder's workshop with focus on the Black Sea and links with REST-COAST deliverables.

It was also decided that the next Annual meeting will be held in Netherlands in April 2024.