



# The EU's strategic approach to the Black Sea

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## Why a new EU strategic vision?

The Black Sea Strategy is the **new EU vision** towards **more security and stability**. It will unlock the **region's potential for connectivity and growth**, linking Europe to the South Caucasus, Central Asia, and beyond.

The region is critical for European and global security, international trade, energy and food security.

The EU strategic approach for the Black Sea region will forge closer cooperation with **Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Georgia, Türkiye, Armenia** and **Azerbaijan**.



Cooperation and investments in the Black Sea region will be based on **three major pillars to power a secure, prosperous and resilient region:**

## SECURITY, STABILITY & RESILIENCE



### FLAGSHIP INITIATIVE:

## BLACK SEA MARITIME SECURITY

- Establishing a **Black Sea Maritime Security Hub**
- Conducting demining, and ensuring **maritime security and safety**
- Ensuring **military mobility** and **dual use infrastructure**
- Tackling **hybrid threats**
- Combatting **organised crime**, and **trafficking**



## SUSTAINABLE GROWTH & PROSPERITY



### FLAGSHIP INITIATIVE:

## CONNECTIVITY AGENDA

- Boosting **trade**, unlocking **transport digital** and **energy connectivity**
- Fostering integrated development, harnessing **blue economy**, **agriculture**, and **renewable energy**, driving **innovation** and **knowledge-based growth**



## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCE & PREPAREDNESS, & CIVIL PROTECTION



### FLAGSHIP INITIATIVE:

## REINFORCING PREPAREDNESS OF COASTAL COMMUNITIES AND BLUE ECONOMY SECTORS

- Addressing **environmental damages of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine**
- Forging **scientific cooperation**, and expanding monitoring and data exchange
- Enhancing environmental, water, and **climate change resilience**
- Ensuring **preparedness** and **disaster management**