

## Introduction of Innovative Waste Management Practices in Selected Cities of Georgia, Moldova and Armenia

With financial support from "Joint Operational Programme "BLACK SEA BASIN 2007-2013"", there is under way the project "Introduction of innovative waste management practices in selected cities of Georgia, Moldova and Armenia, GMA-WMP", which aims to contribute to environment and life quality improvement in the countries of Black Sea region by developing cross-border partnership and cooperation



for introduction of modern waste management methods in the following cities: Kutaisi (Georgia), Ungheni (Moldova) and Ararat (Armenia).

Project duration is 2 years



There are involved in project implementation



representatives of the four countries: Romania, Georgia, Moldova and Armenia. Project participants are both local authorities and NGOs, in particular, Kutaisi City Hall (leading partner), Ungheni City Hall and Ararat Municipality, as well as NGOs: Eco-Counselling Centre GALATI (Romania), Imereti Scientists' Union "Spectri" (Georgia), Regional Centre of Sustainable Development (Moldova), and Environmental Survival (Armenia).



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## PROJECT EVENTS

## KUTAISI (GEORGIA)

On November 28, 2013 there was held the project presentation. In order for participating in project activities carried out in Kutaisi, representatives of partners from Romania, Moldova and Armenia came to Kutaisi. There was organized the meeting with the head of Kutaisi Sakrebulo T. Margvelashvili and acting mayor of the city of Kutaisi Sh. Murgulia.

On the meeting, the floor for welcome speech was given to the following persons: acting mayor of the city of Kutaisi Sh. Murgulia; D. Sahakyan, on behalf of Armenian partners; there were also made presentations about partner-cities Ungheni and Ararat by project-co-coordinators S. Chiobanu and A. Ovanysyan.

The Vice-President of the Counselling Centre GALATI presented information about primary approaches to the waste management issues in EU countries.



## UNGHENI (MOLDOVA)

On November 18, 2013 there was held the project presentation. The meeting was attended by Alexandru Ambroz, Mayor of Ungheni City; representatives of local authorities, NGOs, etc.

Information about this meeting was placed on the Internet, and publications made in local newspapers.



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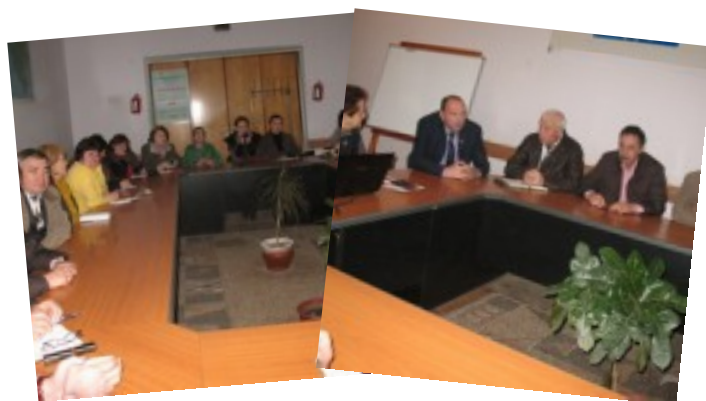


## ARARAT (ARMENIA)

On October 30, 2013 the project presentation was held in Ararat. The floor for opening speech on this meeting was given to Khachatur Mnatsakanyan, Deputy Mayor of the City of Ararat; the presentation on project goals was made by Aikanush Ovanissyan. The axction was attended by representatives of the city's society.



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Information in Romanian language is available on the following links:

<http://www.fundatiacomunitaraungheni.md/?p=2425>

[http://www.crdd.md/?page\\_id=428](http://www.crdd.md/?page_id=428)

## The First Meeting of Coordinating Group

On November 28, 2013, the first meeting of Coordinating Group was held in Kutaisi, which was attended by representatives of all project participating partners.

There was presented information on the course of the implementation of project activities in project participating cities. The members of Coordinating Group have discussed and adopted the Project Monitoring Plan.



There was made decision to hold the next working meeting in the month of May 2014 in Ungheni (Moldova), where representatives of the cities of Kutaisi (Georgia) AND Ararat (Armenia) will learn the waste sorting experience existing in this city.



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## 31<sup>st</sup> October - the Black Sea Day

The Black Sea Day was marked by events held in Kutaisi. On this day, there were organized events in two city's schools with participation of schoolchildren. In particular, the lessons on the importance of the Black Sea and its problems, as well as about the role of the society in the protection of seas.

. The learners expressed a particular interest in chalk figuring action on the asphalt and mobile games, in which they have taken part with great satisfaction and actively.

The events were organized in one of the city's kindergartens as well, where after the story about thalassofiluses and viewing video films about sea problems, the preschool children enthusiastically went to color the drawings of fishes and other creatures living in seas.

The TV-spot about events devoted to the International Black Sea Day was broadcasted on local TV.



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