



AdriBioPro2022

13-15 June

International Conference: Adriatic Biodiversity Protection

Kotor
Montenegro



2nd Announcement

The Conference

The second International Conference: Adriatic Biodiversity Protection – AdriBioPro2022 will focus on how state-of-the-art research on Adriatic biodiversity protection, conservation of coastal and marine areas and sustainable use of marine resources can contribute to policy- and decision-making. Focus will be put on valorisation of Adriatic biodiversity, both marine and freshwater, as tourism offer. Organized to include plenary and breakout sessions covering both disciplinary and interdisciplinary perspectives, Conference results will be used in shaping future marine science priorities and policy in Montenegro and other Adriatic countries. The Conference follows format of the first international conference held in 2019, Adriatic Biodiversity Protection – AdriBioPro2019, which provided updated scientific, decision-making and policy-relevant information across a broad array of different Adriatic issues, marine biology, and related scientific disciplines.

Background

The Institute of Marine Biology of the University of Montenegro is implementing project Explore Cross-border Aquatic Biodiversity – [EXChAngE](#). Project is developing a new tourism product – Blue Pass, which will enable visits of new thematic routes with improved infrastructure: Dubrovnik and Aquarium (Croatia), Kotor and Aquarium Boka (Montenegro), Hutovo Blato Aqua Path, and Mostar Old Bridge and River Neretva (Bosnia and Herzegovina) and attracts more tourists in the area. The second international conference “Adriatic Biodiversity Protection – AdriBioPro2022” is final project event.

Recent research results indicate the cumulative impacts of human activities in the Mediterranean, ranking it as a hotspot of marine biodiversity, and one of the most heavily impacted marine region worldwide. One of the most intensely used and severely degraded regions of the Mediterranean is the Adriatic Sea. It implies a necessity of developing appropriate and effective policy-responses including adaptation actions, enhancement of resilience and implementation of mitigation activities. The Conference will address alterations of Mediterranean ecosystems, with focus on the Adriatic Sea and its biodiversity and analyse widespread conflict among marine users. By presenting the latest science, the Conference will facilitate, synthesize, and summarize the science-policy dialogue.

Topics Addressed

1. Marine biodiversity and conservation
2. Freshwater biodiversity and conservation
3. Cross-border aquatic biodiversity (EXChAngE event)
4. Aquatic alien and invasive species
5. Sustainable use of marine resources
6. Marine and freshwater pollution

Call for Abstracts

Participants are invited to submit abstracts of observational, process-based research, and experimental and modelling studies of past, present and future change in the Adriatic, with focus on its biodiversity. Abstracts for proposed oral and poster presentation (up to 2.000 characters including spaces) should be forwarded to the Conference organizers by filling [on-line form](#). Deadline for abstracts is **extended to April 29, 2022**. Selection of oral and poster presentations will take place and speakers and presenters will be informed by **May 13, 2022**.



The printed Conference program will include abstracts of the accepted oral and poster presentations.

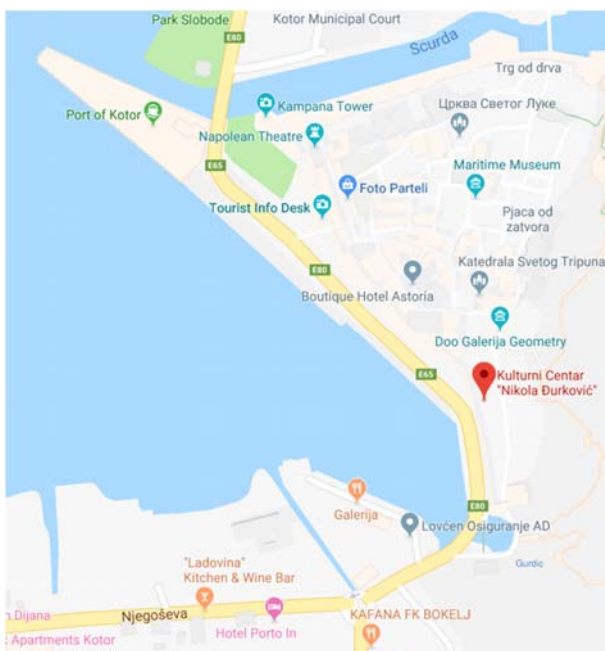
Who Should Attend?

Experts and students working in developing or enhancing any information that supports a better understanding of the Adriatic biodiversity protection while empowering a diverse user community that includes:

- Decision- and policy-makers dealing with sustainable use of Adriatic marine resources
- Stakeholder groups including local communities
- Others affected by the Adriatic alterations



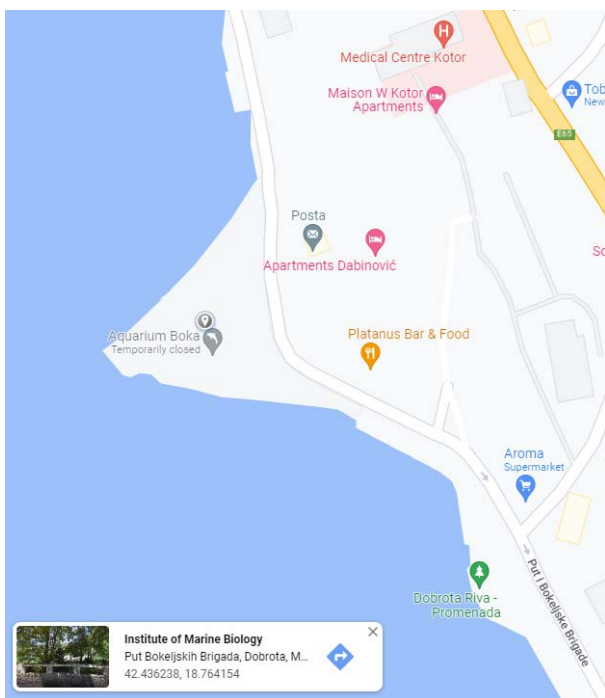
Program



Venue: Cultural Center (Kulturni centar) “Nikola Đurković”, Ulica 2 (sjever-jug), 85330 Kotor (The Old Town), Montenegro

Center has multi/functional conference halls which can accommodate up to 300 participants. Conference will be held in five Center’s units, each marked with following colour in the Programme:

Gallery, ground floor
Theatre hall
Multimedia hall
Gallery, upper floor
Foyer



Venue: Institute of Marine Biology of University of Montenegro, Put I bokeljske brigade 68, 85330 Kotor, Montenegro

Institute has multimedia meeting room to host up to 50 participants and Aquarium Boka Open Air Exhibition with amphitheatre to host up to 150 participants. Those Institute facilities were marked with following colour in the Programme:

Meeting room
Aquarium Boka Open Air Exhibition

Draft programme

Time	Session	Session
Monday, 13 June 2022		
9:00	Arrivals	Pre-conference event: Project RER7015
18:30	Conference exhibition - "Water as inspiration" opening with cocktail	
Tuesday, 14 June 2022		
9:00	Registration, Networking, Poster setting-up	
10:00	Opening session (OS): Adriatic Biodiversity Conservation	
10:45	Panel discussion (P1): Valorisation of Adriatic biodiversity as tourism offer	Workshop: Touristic presentation in English (EXChAngE Side Event)
11:30	Boka break - refreshments	
12:00	Marine biodiversity and conservation (T1) Freshwater biodiversity and conservation (T2)	Panel discussion (P2): International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture (IYAFA 2022)
13:30	Boka flavours cocktail lunch	
14:30	Aquatic alien and invasive species (T4)	Cross-border aquatic biodiversity (T3) (EXChAngE event)
16:00	Boka break - refreshments	
16:30	Poster sessions (PS1)	
17:30	Kotor Blue Pass City Tour	
Wednesday, 15 June 2022		
8:30	Networking	
9:00	Panel discussion (P3): Adriatic Blue Growth	
11:30	Boka break - refreshments	
12:00	Marine and freshwater pollution (T5)	Sustainable use of marine resources (T6)
13:00	Boka flavours cocktail lunch	
14:00	Poster sessions (PS2)	Adriatic Blue Growth (Project internal meeting, on invitation only)
16:00	Boka break - refreshments	
16:30		Closing session (CS): Blue Pass
17:30	Networking	
19:00	Blue Pass tour: Aquarium Boka (Venue: Aquarium Boka)	
19:30	Montenegro sounds and tastes – Conference Garden party (Venue: Aquarium Boka)	
Thursday, 16 June 2022		
10:00	Side event: Blue growth	Side events: Erasmus+, RiskMAN, Ariel+
11:30	Boka break - refreshments	Refreshment
12:00	Side event: Blue growth-cont.	Side events: Erasmus+, RiskMAN, Ariel+
13:30	Boka flavours cocktail lunch	Lunch
14:30	Side event: Blue growth-cont.	Side events: Erasmus+, RiskMAN, Ariel+
17:00	Networking	Networking



Conference special events

Pre-conference event: Project RER7015

Adriatic Blue Growth, Project internal meeting

Wednesday, 15 June 2022, 14:00-16:00. On invitation only

Workshop: Touristic presentation in English (EXChAngE Side Event)

Tuesday, 14 June 2022, 10:45-11:30. On invitation only

Main goal of the EXChAngE project workshop is to train tourist guides for making effective presentation about Adriatic biodiversity in English.

Panel discussion (P2): International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture (IYAFA 2022)

Tuesday, 14 June 2022, 12:00-13:30

The conference will dedicate a panel to the celebration of the International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture 2022.

Side event: Blue growth

Thursday, 16 June 2022, 10:00-17:00. On invitation only

Instruction for presentations

Oral presentations

- Sessions will be moderated by Session Chair(s)
- Available time slot for presentation is maximum **10 minutes** with 3 minutes for discussion

Poster presentations

- Poster board dimensions: 118 X 84 cm (A0)
- Posters should be prepared in English, with text visible from 1 m distance.

Social Program

Conference exhibition "Water as inspiration", opening with cocktail, Monday, 13 June 2022, Venue: Gallery, ground floor, Cultural Center "Nikola Djurković", Kotor, Montenegro.

Kotor Blue Pass City Tour. Tuesday, 14 June 2022. The walking tour starts at 17:30 PM in front of the Cultural Center Nikola Djurković. The tour will last around 60 minutes.

Blue Pass tour: Aquarium Boka. Wednesday, 15 June 2022. Venue: Aquarium Boka, Institute of Marine Biology of University of Montenegro. The tour starts at 19:00 PM at main Aquarium entrance.

Montenegro sounds and tastes - Conference Garden party. Wednesday, 15 June 2022. Venue: Aquarium Boka Open Air Exhibition. Institute of Marine Biology of University of Montenegro. The Garden party starts at 19:30 PM.



General information

Date and venue

June 13-16, 2022, Cultural Center "Nikola Djurković" and Institute of Marine Biology of University of Montenegro, Kotor, Montenegro

Official language

English

Registration fee

Registration fee is 90 EUR for all participants. The fee includes the following: The Book of Abstracts, advertising material, conference cocktail, refreshments during breaks, Kotor Blue Pass City Tour, Blue Pass tour: Aquarium Boka, and conference garden party. For students and accompanying persons fee is 60 EUR. For payments on the site fee is 120 EUR for all participants, and 90 EUR for students and accompanying persons.

Payment instructions

Registration fee should be paid to the bank account of the Institute of marine Biology, University of Montenegro: 510-8051-40.

Important notice: we can track your payment only if you will send us a copy of payment proof!

For payment from abroad, please follow Incoming Payment Instructions:

Filed 56 – Intermediary bank:

Swift Address: RZBAATWW

Name: RAIFFEISEN ZENTRALBANK OESTERREICH AG VIENNA

Field 57 - Account with Institution:

Party Identifier: 000-55.062.301

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Name: CRNOGORSKA KOMERCIJALNA BANKA AD PODGORICA

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Account: ME2551000000000014008

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Note: All bank payment costs should be covered by payer!

If you need pro-invoice, please contact the Organizing Committee at:

adribioproconference@gmail.com.

At Conference registration desk, only full fee could be paid in cash.

Only abstracts with registered at least one author will be published in the Book of Abstracts.

Accommodation

Assistance for accommodation could be requested directly from Conference logistic partner:

Miro & Sons D.M.C.

Stari Grad 420, 85330 Kotor, Montenegro



www.miroandsons.com

info@miroandsons.com

Phone: +382 69 297 221

Recommended hotels in the Old City of Kotor are: Hotel Vardar 4* and Hotel Marija 3*. We suggest to book the accommodation well in advance due to the limited hotel capacities in the Old City of Kotor.

Special requests

If you have request for special diet, please inform the Organizing Committee at adribioproconference@gmail.com.

Taxi Service

Taxi service in Montenegro is relatively inexpensive, at about 0.80–1.20 €/km (depending on the company and the time of day).

Taxis can generally be found in front of the Kotor Old Town, but a car can always be called using the taxi service phone numbers (always starting with 197):

- Euro Taxi: 19708 (Viber: +382 69 0 19708)
- Red Taxi: 19719 (Viber: +382 67 0 19719)
- Đir Taxi: 19737 (Viber: +382 67 0 19737)
- VIP Star Taxi: 19799 (Viber: +382 67 0 19799)
- Orahovac Taxi: +382 67 853 200

Important phone numbers

- National Tourism Organisation (NTO) Customer Care: 1300
- Police: 122
- Ambulance: 124
- Fire Department: 123
- Roadside Assistance: 19807

Covid 19 Information

Current Montenegro government measures related to suppressing the pandemics of Covid-19 are in effect as of April 8, 2022 and are valid until April 22, 2022. Please check our page often for updates:

<https://www.aquariumboka.ucg.ac.me/en/second-international-conference-adriatic-biodiversity-protection-adribiopro2022/>

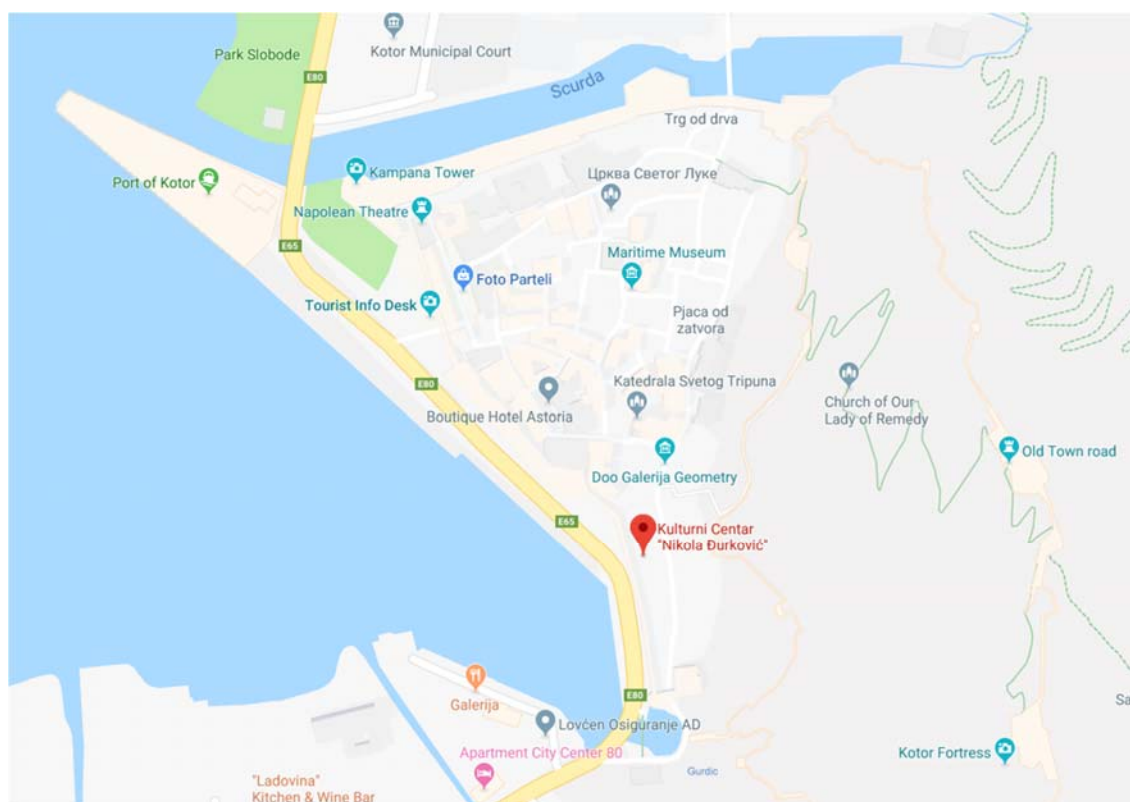
Current measures are allowing in-person gathering with the observance of prescribed measures, which are regularly updated.

As of March 11, 2022, no proof of vaccination, COVID-19 passports/certificates or COVID-19 tests are required to enter Montenegro. This measure is subject to change. Please check our page often for update if new requirements are announced.



Kotor city

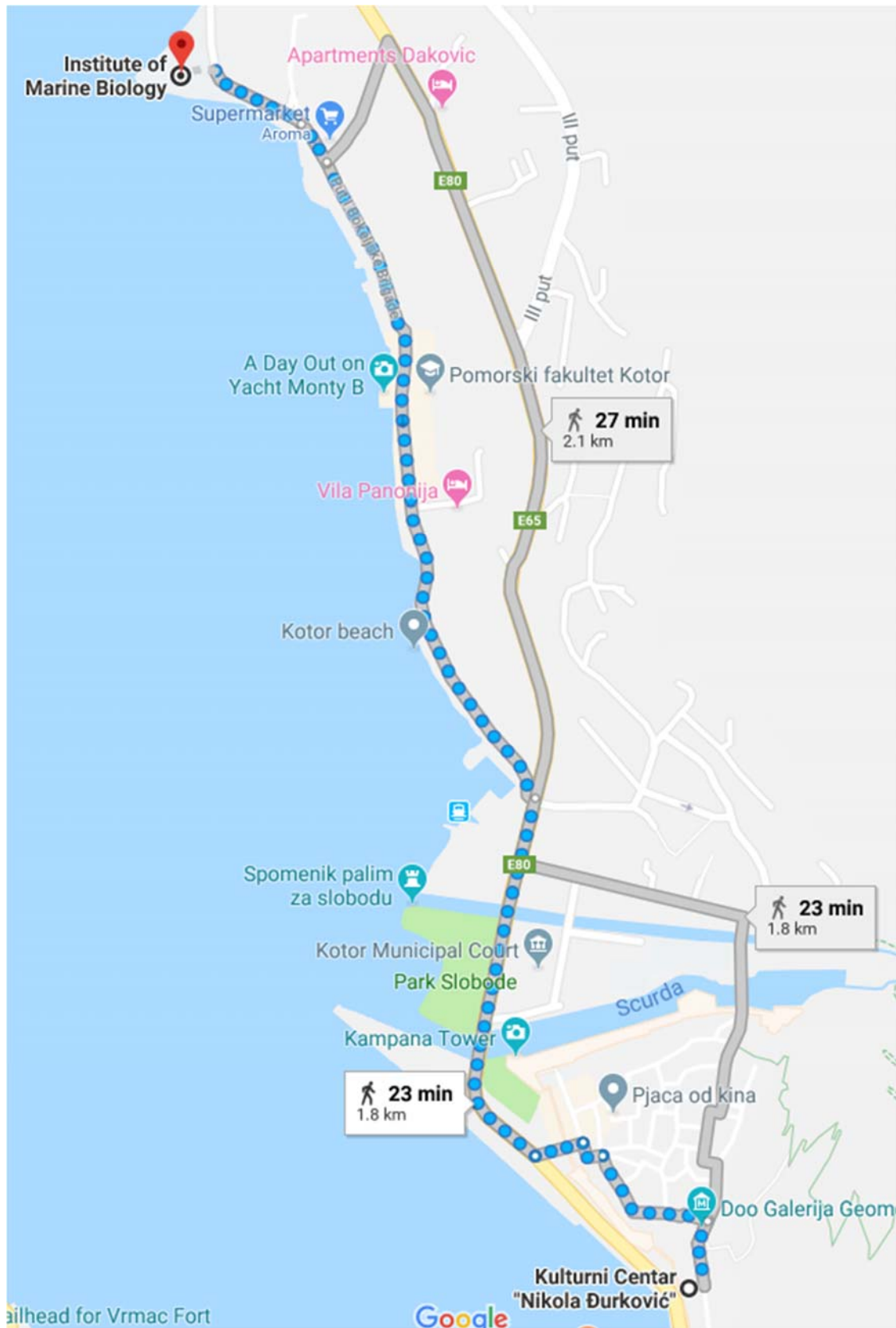
The old Mediterranean port of Kotor (Italian: Cattaro) is a coastal town in Montenegro, surrounded by fortifications built during the Venetian period. It is located on the Bay of Kotor (In Montenegrin: Boka Kotorska), one of the most indented parts of the Adriatic Sea. Some have called it the southern-most fjord in Europe, but it is a ria, a submerged river canyon. Kotor is part of the World Heritage Site dubbed the Natural and Culture-Historical Region of Kotor. The fortified city of Kotor was also included in UNESCO's World Heritage Site list as part of Venetian Works of Defence between 15th and 17th centuries.



Institute of Marine Biology, University of Montenegro

Since its establishment IMB performed comprehensive research of the marine and coastal area, which has its wide impact to the environmental protection and pollution-prevention of those areas, and practical application (e.g. sea food industry). Core competencies of IMB are focused on research in the fields of mariculture, marine conservation, ichthyology and marine fisheries, chemistry, general biology, neurophysiology and eco-physiology, biochemistry and molecular biology. Recent results present marine biodiversity of Boka Kotorska Bay, and provide inputs for the National Strategy for Integrated Coastal Zone Management of Montenegro.





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Explore Cross-border Aquatic Biodiversity – EXChAngE

About Project

The main goal of the EXChAngE project is to strengthen and diversify the tourism offer through exploring cross-border aquatic biodiversity and to enable better management and sustainable use of cultural and natural heritage. EXChAngE project is developing a new tourism product – Blue Pass, which will enable visits of new thematic routes with improved infrastructure: Dubrovnik and Aquarium (Croatia), Kotor and Aquarium Boka (Montenegro), Hutovo Blato Aqua Path, and Mostar Old Bridge and River Neretva (Bosnia and Herzegovina) and attracts more tourists in the area.

The project is implemented by five partners: University of Dubrovnik, Croatia (leading partner), Tourist Organization Kotor, Montenegro, University of Montenegro, Institute of Marine Biology, Montenegro, Tourist Community HNK/Z, BiH, JP “Nature Park Hutovo mud” d.o.o. Čapljina, BiH.

The Exchange project was approved under the Interreg IPA Cross-Border Cooperation Programme Croatia – Bosnia and Herzegovina – Montenegro 2014-2020.



The Blue Pass ticket is new tourism product, developed within EXChAngE project, specially for visitors of cross border area Croatia – Bosnia and Herzegovina - Montenegro, which enables visits of the following thematic routes: Dubrovnik and Aquarium (Croatia), Kotor and Aquarium Boka (Montenegro), Hutovo Blato Aqua Path, and Mostar Aqua Path (Bosnia and Herzegovina).



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