

MDEM participated in the Regional Brokerage event - "Boosting Black Sea Blue Biz – 4BIZ" in Batumi



The Regional Brokerage event - "Boosting Black Sea Blue Biz – 4BIZ" takes place in Batumi (Georgia) on 2-3 November 2023 within the 4BIZproject (Boosting the Blue Economy in the Black Sea Region by Initiating a Business Collaboration Framework in the field of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Coastal and Maritime Tourism and Maritime Transport).

There were invited entrepreneurs, representatives of innovative companies, start-ups and stakeholders as Business Associations, Chambers of Commerce, Universities, Professional Business Consultants, Local Authorities, Innovation Clusters and other similar to join the event. Among the participants was MDEM as a member of the Ukrainian Maritime Cluster.

The event aims to offer a framework for B2B collaborations by facilitating the exchange of Blue Business ideas, best practices and knowledge in order to identify new directions to be followed for conceiving successful entrepreneurial activities.

After the opening and the plenary sessions, reports of the honored guests of the event, and presentations of the invited companies, there

were organized B2B sessions in order to find the connection points for cooperation development. MDEM, represented by Stanislav Seleznov, Head of Engineering Services Department, had the possibility to attend a personal meeting with representatives of Solomar. It is a Bulgarian company specializing in the production of gas and air filtering solutions. They have developed and successfully tested filters for industrial use (best fit in the plastics, chemical, food and beverage, wood and metal industries), reducing the CO2 emissions by 98%. Stanislav Seleznyov outlined Damen and MDEM new research and investigation projects within environmental protection – not only CO2 emissions but also URN and other types of environmental pollution. Both companies' representatives exchanged contacts and agreed on an action plan for future cooperation.

We are grateful to the organizers of the "Boosting Black Sea Blue Biz - 4BIZ" event for the opportunity to present MDEM, the Ukrainian Maritime Cluster, as well as their opportunities for the Ukrainian maritime economy development. **«**

