



The official closing event of the ITM BEE - BSB 136 Project, implemented by DOKA as project partner and financed by the European Union -ENI CBC Black Sea Basin Programme's the 1st Call for Proposals for the period 2014-2020, has been organized on 02.07.2021.

Project partners from Romania, Bulgaria, Moldova and Ukraine, Artvin, Giresun, Gümüşhane, Ordu, Rize and Trabzon Beekeeping Unions and the beekeeping associations in the beekeeping sector attended the closing event of the project, which started in March 2019 and lasted for 28 months, with a budget of 758,303 Euros. 43 stakeholders from the relevant stakeholders participated.

Mehmet Bozdoğan, Head of DOKA Tourism and Entrepreneurship Unit, emphasized the importance of Turkey and the Eastern Black Sea Region in terms of production capacity in the world beekeeping sector, stated that the sector is an important locomotive for the development of the region. Bozdoğan continued his speech as follows:

“We carried out various activities within the scope of the project in order to further increase the importance of the Eastern Black Sea Region in the world beekeeping ecosystem. In order to convey the good practices in the project partner countries Romania, Bulgaria, Moldova and Ukraine to the beekeepers in our region, we made field visits to these countries together with the beekeepers in our region. Likewise, we hosted beekeepers from project partner countries in our region to share their deep knowledge and experience in the beekeeping industry of our region. In order to share current practices and solve the problems experienced by our beekeepers, theoretical trainings and Ordu International Beekeeping Conference were held in our region by experts in the field. With the project, we contributed to the increase in both the competitiveness and trade volume of the beekeeping sector, which is one of the most important sectors for our region. I would like to thank the project partners for their valuable contributions in the preparation and implementation of the project, the sector representatives who showed interest and participation in the project activities, and everyone who contributed to the project.”

The event continued with the presentation of the project team about the completed project activities and results, ended with the thank-you speeches of the project partners.