



# 6<sup>th</sup> ESENIAS Workshop: East and South European Network for Invasive Alien Species (ESENIAS) ESENIAS-TOOLS Kick-Off Meeting

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**Meeting venue:**

Conference Hall of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences  
1, 15<sup>th</sup> November Str., Sofia

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## Workshop objectives:

The 6th ESENIAS workshop and ESENIAS-TOOLS project kick-off meeting will bring together scientists, stakeholders and authorities from the ESENIAS network member countries and participants in the ESENIAS-TOOLS project to:

- Discuss ESENIAS-TOOLS project working plan, tasks and activities;
- Discuss and approve common data forms, templates, questionnaires, protocols and methods;
- Plan future work and organisation of this work within the working groups with the participation of experts from all ESENIAS countries;
- Share information on IAS related initiatives carried out at regional level, such as national and local monitoring schemes, risk assessments, control and eradication projects, management plans and national strategies, citizens activities and responsibilities, society and monitoring schemes;
- Seek further opportunities for cooperation and networking on IAS in the region and collaboration with other networks and projects, such as EASIN.

## Agenda

**08:30 – 09:00 Registration**

**09:00 – 09:30 Opening**

### Session 1: Introduction

*Chairs:* Rumen Tomov, Teodora Trichkova

09:30 – 10:00 Presentation of ESENIAS and ESENIAS-TOOLS project (Teodora Trichkova)

10:00 – 10:30 EU IAS Regulation and European Alien Species Information Network (EASIN) (Stelios Katsanevakis)

**10:30 – 11:00 Coffee**

### Session 2: ESENIAS country reports

*Chairs:* Ahmet Uludag, Paulina Anastasiu

11:00 – 11:15 Review of IAS activities in Bulgaria (Rumen Tomov)

11:15 – 11:30 IAS country report Croatia (Aljoša Duplić)

11:30 – 12:00 IAS country report Greece (Argyro Zenetos)

12:00 – 12:15 IAS country report Kosovo (Qenan Maxhuni)

12:15 – 12:30 Discussion

**12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break and coffee**

### Session 3: ESENIAS country reports (cont.)

*Chairs:* Argyro Zenetos, Aljoša Duplić

13:30 – 13:45 IAS country report R. Macedonia (Blagoj Simovski)

13:45 – 14:00 IAS country report Montenegro (Sead Hadžiablahović)

14:15 – 14:30 IAS country report Romania (Dan Cogalniceanu)

14:30 – 14:45 IAS country report Serbia (Milica Rat)

14:45 – 15:00 IAS country report Turkey (Ahmet Uludag)

**15:00 – 15:30 Coffee**

### Session 4: ESENIAS-TOOLS case studies

*Chairs:* Milica Rat, Vladimir Vladimirov

15:30 – 15:45 IAS studies in Italy (Alberto Inghilesi)

15:45 – 16:00 Comparative study on the effect of hydrological regime on the distribution of the invasive diatom *Didymosphenia geminata* in extreme environments -Icelandic case study (David Finger)

16:00 – 16:15 Comparative study on the effect of hydrological regime on the distribution of the invasive diatom *Didymosphenia geminata* in extreme environments – changes in diatom composition in the Rila high-mountain lakes (Nadja Ognjanova)

16:15 – 16:30 Assessment of the impact of alien species on the biodiversity and endemism of ancient Balkan lakes - Lake Ohrid case study (Sasho Trajanovski)

16:30 – 16:45 Estimating dispersal routes for IAS (Dan Cogalniceanu)

**16:45 – 17:00 Discussion and closure**