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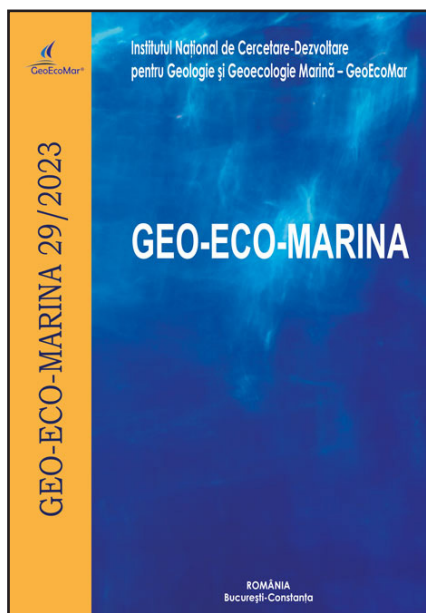
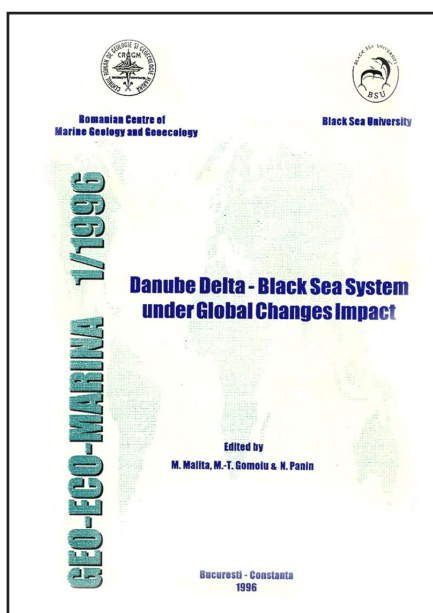
Romania benefits from a particularly favourable geographical position, being riparian of the Black Sea and at the same time of the main river in the European Union – the Danube, which flows on the country territory for more than 1000 km.

Thus, Romania plays the role of an international node of economic, social and cultural relations between East and West, between Asia and Europe, ensuring the connection of the continental and maritime waterways between the Black and North seas and, at the same time, having access to natural resources in the region.

For the sustainable management of this role through an in-depth scientific and practical knowledge of the natural and environmental characteristics of the region, in 1993 the Romanian Centre for Marine Geology and Geo-ecology was created, which in just three years (in 1996) became the National Institute of Research – Development for Marine Geology and Geoecology – NIRD GeoEcoMar.

In order to make the results of marine, fluvial, deltaic and coastal zone research accessible to the scientific and social communities, as well as to national and international officials, the GeoEcoMar institute created in 1996 a journal specialized in Earth and Sea sciences – *Geo-Eco-Marina*. We are in the year 2024 at the 30th appearance of *Geo-Eco-Marina* and we consider this appearance an event that deserves special attention and mention.

From the very beginning, the journal *Geo-Eco-Marina* was conceived as an international scientific publication open to the scientific community both from Romania and from other countries, publishing works written in languages of wide international circulation – English, French, German, etc. The articles are subjected to peer-review by national and international reviewers and accepted for publication only after a very careful examination and evaluation.



The journal appeared annually bringing to the Romanian and international scientific community complex information about the Black Sea region, the Danube River region and its drainage basin, but also about other seas and regions of our planet. News about the structure and geological evolution of the studied regions, their conventional and unconventional natural resources, their environmental status and their characteristic ecosystems, as well as about the flows and dynamics of sediments and water, sedimentological, biological, bio-geo-chemical processes from the river, deltaic, coastal zone and marine environments, including the transition ones, as well from the geological orogenic zones are published in the journal. The journal gives also information on important national and European projects, new specialized research infrastructures, as well as, in some cases, proposals for measures and ecological protection solutions for the researched areas.

The quality of the publication has had a positive trend: the journal *Geo-Eco-Marina* was printed, in the first period, on solid media (on paper), with polychrome, and since 2006 it is accessible online free open-access, full-text, with ISSN: 2248–2776 and ISSN-L: 1224–6808. The articles are now identified with DOI. Link:

<http://www.geoecomar.ro/website/publicatii-revista-geo-eco-marina.html>

The journal is indexed in international databases: SCOPUS, in the open-access ROAD database and has been included in GeoRef. As an open access journal, *Geo-Eco-Marina*, following a selection, appears online in the libraries of Geology, Ecology and Oceanography of major universities in Europe, USA,

in the chain of university libraries in Australia and Canada. *Geo-Eco-Marina* is on the WorldCat library network:

http://www.worldcat.org/search?qt=worldcat_org_all&q=Geo-Eco-Marina

Geo-Eco-Marina is also included in ProQuest – Scientific Journals Database, Google Scholar, Ulrich’s, EBSCO Central & Eastern European Academic Source, Geoscience e-journals, Zoological Record, J-Gate; selected articles from *Geo-Eco-Marina* and abstracts are included in the CAB Abstracts and Environmental Impact databases. The ISI – Thompson accreditation of the magazine was started.

The editorial board is international and includes a member of the Romanian Academy – Academician Nicolae Panin (President of the Geonomic Sciences Section) –, and highly qualified and experienced scientists in the field, such as Prof. How Kin Wong (Germany), Prof. Jean Marie Martin (France), Dr. Gilles Lericolais (France), Dr. Georg Umgiesser (Italy), Prof. Andrew Petter (USA), Dr. Cornel Olariu (USA), Prof. Dr. Claudia Sliwinski (USA), and researchers from Romania: Dr. Adrian Stanica, Dr. Mihaela Melinte-Dobrinescu, Dr. Silviu Radan, Dr. Constantin Stefan Sava, Dr. Gheorghe Viorel Ungureanu, Dr. Dan Lucian Vasiliu and Dr. Titus Brustur among others, who participate in editing and reviewing the journal.

In conclusion, we would like to wish the journal *Geo-Eco-Marina* a long and prosperous activity to help Earth and Marine sciences in Romania and world-wide to develop and reach an outstanding scientific level in order to actively participate in the prosperity of human societies in a clean and healthy environment.

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