



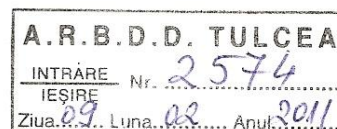
## Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Authority

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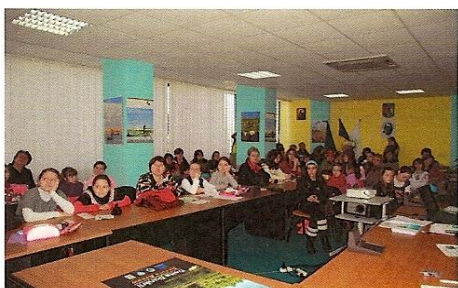
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### REPORT

#### February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 - World Wetlands Day



In order to mark the World Wetlands Day, Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Authority (DDBRA) organized a series of activities to celebrate and raise public awareness about the values and benefits of wetlands.

The program included:

- **Celebration of the environmental event** - World Wetlands Day 2011 - under the motto "*Wetlands and Forests*", by organizing environmental education activities for pupils and teachers from schools in Tulcea city and Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve territory.

1. Action was held in Tulcea on February 1<sup>st</sup>, at the DDBRA's headquarters, in cooperation with Tulcea City Hall through the Information and Education Center for Waste Management Tulcea (CIEMD) and started with a message from the organizers.

The action included various activities:

- Presenting the event's significance, the proposed theme and its connection with the protected area, presenting the objectives and activities of Black Sea Coast Wetland Initiative
- BlackSeaWet - Ramsar Regional Initiative for the Black Sea coastal wetlands.

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- Practical application: "How to make facemasks of wetland animals, including a dragonfly" after the model provided by the Ramsar Secretariat;
- Making a puzzle and recognising animals;
- Role-play - using animals facemasks and the comic strips created by the Ramsar Secretariat;
- Distributing brochures and flyers;
- Assessment of knowledge by questionnaire and feedback form;
- Awarding the participation diploma.



The set of materials (posters, questionnaires, dragonfly, comic strips, informative booklet) transmitted by the Ramsar Secretariat, translated and adapted by the Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Authority, was used in the program, sent to schools in DDBR territory and made available to public on the website <http://www.ddbra.ro/educatie-pentru-mediul.php#evenimente>



The event was attended by 80 pupils and teachers representing all schools from Tulcea city.



2. **Similar specific actions** took place in DDBR territory, coordinated by the Information and Environmental Education Centre from Sulina, with the participation of 55 pupils in V – VIII grades from "Jean Bart" High School, Sulina. The event was held in cooperation with the Ecology Club from Sulina, the House of Culture and the Library of Sulina.

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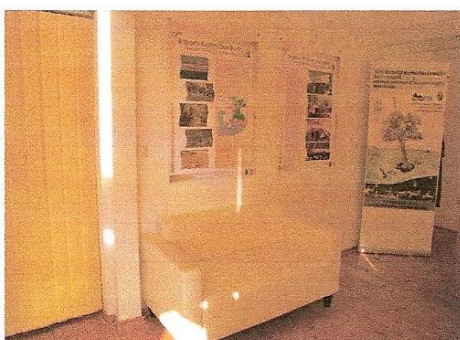
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- **Information and awareness activity**, on February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2011, with the participation of representatives from local authorities, economic operators and local population of Murighiol village, organized in the same time with the opening of the local Environmental Information Centre of DDBRA. At the event, the Governor of the Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Authority, Mr. Grigore Baboianu, presented the significance of World Wetlands Day, the history of Ramsar Convention and the importance of our country's signing of the Convention. In the same action an information session was held on the Black Sea Coast Wetland Initiative (BlackSeaWet) Ramsar Regional Initiative for the Black Sea coastal wetlands.

Actions have been promoted in the media, newspapers and local radio and TV stations, by sending a press release and informing schools in DDBR territory about the significance of this environmental event.

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