

40 Wrecks Found during Black Sea Maritime Archaeology Project



During MMT's participation in the MAP project, the 'Surveyor Interceptor' ROV (SROV) was used for geophysical surveys to detect former land surfaces buried below the current seabed. It set new records for both a depth of 1,800 metres and a sustained speed of over 6 knots, and covered a distance of

1,000km. Down to 1,670m below the surface in the Black Sea, over 40 shipwrecks were found, some of which had never been seen before.

Thanks to the anoxic conditions of the Black Sea the preservation was astonishing. This expedition provided new data on the maritime interconnectivity of Black Sea coastal communities and manifest ways of life and seafaring that stretch back into prehistory.



Partnership Industry and Academia

MMT is proud of taking part in the historical project. MMT's founder and CTO Ola Oskarsson, who has developed the SROV together with trusted partners, explained the importance of showing the wide range of the SROV's capabilities. It was developed for the oil and gas industry but is capable to inspect and explore various seabed mapping projects. The new depth and speed records are a great success for MMT.

MMT has a long association with the Academy at an international level and supports maritime research projects through exchange of knowledge and resources. The MAP project showed just how effective partnerships between academia and industry can be.