

Croatia celebrates Coast Day 2020

In Croatia, the Coast Day 2020 will be marked through a literary and art works of elementary-school children. On the very Coast Day, September 25, in an on-line workshop, moderated by a professor of philosophy, the children will jointly create a story about the noble pen shell (*Pinna nobilis*), which is severely attacked by parasites throughout the Mediterranean. Apart from the common story, the children are invited to submit their stories and illustrations for a competition. The winning stories and illustration will be published in a book, which will be among the prizes for the winners. The children are invited to use, as main characters, the noble pen shell, loggerhead sea turtle (*Caretta caretta*) and shark. These three sea dwellers have been chosen as representatives of threatened, rare and unjustly unloved species. The prizes to the winners will be given during a ceremony at the Split-Dalmatia County building on the occasion of the UN World Children's Day – a day when we mark the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, among which is the right to live in a clean and healthy environment.