

Agenda

Conference: Marine technologies and implementation for sustainable blue economy

Date: November 13th, 2024

Venue: Sala Rossini on the first floor of Caffè Pedrocchi (Via VIII Febbraio, 15, 35122 Padova PD)

Organizers: DIH Innovamare project – Croatian Chamber of Economy, Unioncamere del Veneto, University of Padova

About conference:

Croatian Chamber of Economy - coordinator of the DIH InnovaMare project, Unioncamere del Veneto - project partner, and the University of Padova - associate partner are organizing a conference focused on marine technologies and their implementation, aimed at engaging stakeholders such as spin-offs, students, and researchers. The conference will disseminate results and promote the development of spin-offs, with Wireless and More, a spin-off company from the University of Padova, being one of the project partner. The event will highlight the potential for digital and green transformations within the blue economy, encouraging students and researchers to explore new research topics or study programs. Key outcomes, including an updated map of excellence, will be shared with students, companies, and researchers within the university community. This will foster connections and collaborations among researchers and companies, enhancing the overall research and development ecosystem.



9:30 - 10:00 Registration and welcome coffee

Participants: All attendees

10:00 - 10:20 Opening remarks

Speakers:

- Monica Fedeli, Deputy pro-rector of the University of Padova
- Antonio Santocono, President of the Unioncamere del Veneto
- Iain Shepherd, Expert Maritime Affairs and Ocean Observation, former EC official

10:20 - 10:45 Map of excellence - new potential in digital and green transformation in the blue economy

Presentation of key results and updated Map of Excellence – presentation of innovative marine technologies - marine robotics and sensors and their successful implementation

Participants

- Representative of the DIH Innovamare project – presentation of the results of the mapping

10:45 - 12:00 Panel discussion – how to enhance application of marine technologies in blue economy sectors with use of testing sites in Europe

Moderator:

- Mateo Ivanac, Project Coordinator DIH InnovaMare, Croatian Chamber of Economy

Panelists:

- Frode Halvorsen, Cluster Manager at Ocean Autonomy Cluster, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) (remote)
- Ruben Eiras, Forum Oceano, Portugal (remote)
- Antonio Montanari, Dept. of Information Engineering (SIGNET group)



- Iain Shepherd, Expert Maritime Affairs and Ocean Observation, former EC official
- Cosimo Palmisano, Chief Business Development & Operations, WSense
- Carlo Kraskovic, Senior Project Manager, mareFVG

12:00 - 12:30 Matchmaking sessions (coffee station for all the duration of the conference)

12:30 – 13:30 - Panel discussion: How to fund research and innovation in the blue economy – potential opportunities

Moderator:

- Marija Rajaković, Head of Sector, Directorate for Strategic Planning and Coordination of EU Funds

Panelists:

- Claus Schultze, Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries - (remote)
- Antonella Calvia Gotz, European Investment Bank (EIB) - (remote)
- Paulina Brzezicka, European Investment Bank (EIB) - (remote)
- Christelle Sapata, PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) - (remote)
- Flavia La Colla, APRE, Horizon Europe: Cluster 6 Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment - (remote)
- Stefania De Santi, APRE Opportunities within the European Innovation Council programme (EIC)
- Dimitris Zisis, Associate Professor at the University of the Aegean at the Department of Product & Systems Design Engineering - (remote)

13, 30 - 14,45 Lunch and networking



14,45-15,45 - Round table - Entrepreneurship and market opportunities for research in blue economy

Opportunities for young researchers – in spin offs and start-ups, new research topics in marine technology, study programs for blue economy, career development opportunities

Moderator:

- Guido Bortoluzzi, Innovation Management and Entrepreneurship at the University of Trieste

Participants:

- Ana Rapljenović, Ruđer Bošković Institute
- Prof. Michele Zorzi, Wireless and More
- Stipe Lukin, SeaCras (remote)
- Karlo Džafić, Hartera Robotics
- Prof.ssa Maria Cristina Pedicchio, INEST project
- Prof. Campagnaro, SubSeaPulse

15,45-16,15 Blue economy projects presentation

- Frane Urem, project coordinator, MareSkill project
- Sabina Susmel, Brigantine project
- Carlo Krašković, project partner, Eccentric
- prof. dr. Marina Ivašić Kos, project coordinator, inno2mare

16:15 – 16:30 Closing remarks

Speakers:

- Mateo Ivanac, Project Coordinator DIH InnovaMare, Croatian Chamber of Economy – Open call invitation

