



European Maritime Day 2016

Events in Europe

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Belgium

Title: **Marine Science meets Maritime Industry II**

Date: 17/05/2016

Location: Flanders Marine Institute, Wandelaarkaai 7, 8400 Oostende

Organiser: Flanders' Maritime Cluster

Website: www.flanders-maritime-cluster.be

Event description: Achievements and opportunities for Blue Growth in Flanders.

Bulgaria

Title: **2nd Festival "Climate, Sea and Health".**

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Medical University of Varna

Organiser: Faculty of Public Health, Medical University

Website: <http://www.mu-varna.bg/BG>

Event description: This year's Festival during the European Maritime Day includes the following main events:

1. A round table discussion "On the Sea - Challenges for Health".
2. An open sea seminar for students from the course "Maritime medicine" on measuring the changes in physiological indicators of divers.
3. Aquaculture sustainability - presentation of a project led by researchers from the Medical University of Varna.

Finland

Title: **High level session on reviewing progress in protecting the Baltic Sea marine environment**

Date: 17/05/2016

Location: LOGOMO, TURKU

Organiser: HELCOM - Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission

Website: <http://helcom.fi>

Event description: This high-level event, hosted by the Minister of the Environment of Finland, Kimmo Tiilikainen, focuses on the status of the protection of marine environment in the Baltic coastal states, on the achievements so far and how they can facilitate Blue Economy in Baltic.

France

Title: **OCEANEXT**

Date: 08-10/06/2016

Location: La Cité des Congrès, Nantes

Organiser: University of Nantes

Website: <http://www.univ-nantes.fr/>

Event description: The OCEANEXT conference (<http://oceanext.sciencesconf.org/?lang=en>) brings together key scientists and stakeholders from multi-disciplinary areas of research around the sustainable use of ecosystem services and governance of marine and coastal areas.

Main topics are the environmental and societal risks and opportunities for the coastal and marine activities (fisheries and aquaculture, tourism, marine renewable energy, blue growth, pharma- and chemical industries).

Engineering aspects around prevention of submersion and off-shore platforms are also discussed in the frame of foresight planning and development of expert systems in support of participative governance for maritime spatial planning and integrated coastal zone management.

Title: **Shipping and its move towards energy transition / Le transport maritime sur la voie de la transition énergétique**

Date: 17/05/2016

Location: French Economic, Social and Environmental Committee, Paris

Organiser: Surfrider Foundation Europe & Armateurs de France

Website: www.surfrider.eu & www.armateursdefrance.org

Event description: French ship owners and European NGO Surfrider Foundation Europe have joined forces to launch a conference dedicated to the energy transition of the shipping sector, to be held in Paris on next 17th May 2016. This conference brings together top level officials from the French government and from the EU institutions, high representatives from the International Maritime Organisation, top French ship-owners and innovators as well as key environmental NGOs to discuss the crucial issue of reducing emissions from the shipping sector. The conference which has been granted the support of the International and European Committee of the French Economic, Social and Environmental Committee will be held in a decisive moment for the sector at the aftermath of the Paris agreement and on the brink of the celebration of the shipping year of the European Union. It will be the starting point of the educational journey "Surfrider Campus Tour 22" of Surfrider Foundation Europe over Europe to Morocco and the celebration of COP 22.

Germany

Title: A bridge between fisheries, tourism and coastal culture / Ein Brücke zwischen Fischerei, Tourismus und Küstenkultur

Date: 22/05/2016

Location: Schleswig-Holstein, Promenade Seeweg, 24235 Wendtorf

Organiser: Museumshafen Probstei

Website: <http://www.museumshafen-probstei.de>

Event description: The event includes various activities:

- Seminars on "the woman who founded the first ferry rides from the provost to Kiel" and "on the fishing history of the area".
- Children's activities with the use of simple materials (tree branches, nails and scraps) to construct simple boats in the wooden boat yard for children in the museum.
- The artist Birgit Rautenberg-Sturm brings their mobile press in the museum and shows her MARE typien graphics of the ocean buried plates.
- Guided tours of the museum on various themes.

Title: Workshop: Law of the Sea and Marine Protected Areas

Date: 18/05/2016

Location: Bremerhaven

Organiser: Institute for the Law of the Sea and International Marine Environmental Law (ISRIM)

Website: www.isrim.de

Event description: The workshop deals with the different types of marine protected areas under international law, including Marine Protected Areas (MPA) as well as their interaction with maritime activities, e.g. deep seabed mining, marine biotechnology etc.

Title: Climate Change and Biodiversity: Threats & Opportunities for local Actors in the German North Sea

Date: 26/05/2016

Location: Bremerhaven

Organiser: Alfred-Wegener-Institute, Helmholtz-Centre for Marine and Polar Research

Website: www.awi.de

Event description: A stakeholder workshop for the German North Sea region to discuss:

- Water temperature increase due to climate change.
- Impact of the temperature increase in the biodiversity and the productivity of the North Sea ecosystems.
- Effects in local scale: local communities, tourism, fisheries, aquaculture, societal impact.
- What types of communication and dialogues are needed within the science-stakeholder nexus and what role authorities and decision-makers play therein?
- What alternatives for fisheries and aquaculture are possible in the future?

Greece

Title: Days of the Sea: A Lighthouse (Pharos) in Greece

Date: 07/05/2016

Location: Aggelochori, Thessaloniki

Organiser: Thermaikos Municipality

Website: www.thermaikos.gr

Event description: Guided tour in the Lighthouse “Megalo Emvolo”, accessible to schools and general public. A Pharos is a bright point in total darkness, an archetypal emblem of nautical history. The visit includes:

1. Organization and operation of the Lighthouse Service: Lighthouse Operating Systems.
2. Tour & presentation of automatic torches at the Lighthouse Service’s yard.
3. Museum - Exhibits - semantics - History: Presentation takes place inside the Lighthouse.
4. Operating an Old Traditional Lighthouse: Working demonstration of a kerosene Lighthouse and Lighthouse keeper’s tasks to be performed in the yard.
5. A tour of the laboratories & maintenance workshops, photovoltaic light-beacon presentation: Environmentally friendly renewable energy use & explanation - light buoy operation description at the Agency’s yard.

Title: Days of the Sea: Greek Solar Salterns

Date: 13/05/2016

Location: Aggelochori, Thessaloniki

Organiser: Thermaikos Municipality

Website: www.thermaikos.gr

Event description: Information event on the salt production process in an area with solar salterns. The tour includes information visits in:

- The system of the evaporation basins.
- The Salt Pans, rectangular surfaces which continuously crystallized salt is deposited on the bottom.
- The Brine Reservoirs, relatively deep, wherein the high density brine is stored.
- The Pumping Stations, with the help of which the brine is pumped and handled.
- The Harvesting Equipment, transportation, washing and depositing at large heaps for temporary storage.
- The Weather Station.
- The Chemical Laboratory for testing the quality of the produced salt.

Title: Days of the Sea: The secrets of the sea are forgotten on the shore...

Date: 28/05/2016

Location: Peraia – Neoi Epivates, Thermaikos Municipality

Organiser: Thermaikos Municipality

Website: www.thermaikos.gr

Event description: Environmental School Project: "The secrets of the sea are forgotten on the shore...". The project includes a documentary on the sea, a lecture by a professional diver on the "secrets of the sea" and a sand sculpture contest at the Thermaikos Municipality beach on the importance of the protection of the sea.

Title: Days of the Sea: Epanomi Lagoon, Fauna-Flora Eco tour

Date: 18, 19 & 22/05/2016

Location: EPANOMI Lagoon, on location Epanomi, Thermaikos Municipality

Organiser: Thermaikos Municipality

Website: www.thermaikos.gr

Event description: Eco tour in Epanomi lagoon for students and families. Visitors will be informed on the local Fauna and Flora and on the environmental issues related to the protection of the lagoon.

Title: Sea Days 2016, "Go Piraeus !"

Date: 28/05/2016

Location: City of Piraeus

Organiser: Municipality of Piraeus

Website: www.pireasnet.gr

Event description: The 'Sea Days 2016, Go Piraeus', is a panorama of events taking place in more than 14 central spots in Piraeus: exhibitions, tours, concerts, theatrical performances, traditional dances, film screenings, contests, bike rides, sport events, parties and many surprises for the inhabitants and the visitors of Piraeus and the nearby cities.

Title: BLUE ENTREPRENEURSHIP 4 YOUTH in ISLANDS

Date: 18/05/2016

Location: Chios Island

Organiser: University of the Aegean, Department of Shipping, Trade and Transport

Website: www.stt.aegean.gr

Event description: A participatory workshop on connectivity, accessibility and entrepreneurship towards smart and inclusive growth for islands.

The workshop will be about defining connectivity and ENTREPRENEURSHIP as proxies of accessibility and mobility, by posing questions, facilitating understanding and building consensus.

Italy

Title: Seafarers: skills, training and proficiencies

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Trieste

Organiser: MarineLAB

Website: www.marinelab.it

Event description: Workshop on maritime skills and proficiencies, needed in seafarers' training.

Marine industry and stakeholders discuss on how to match problems, ideas and experiences and share the best solutions. The meeting is organized in partnership with the Fire and Safety School and with the Adriatic Nautical Academy.

Title: Area of the Strait of Messina, the integrated planning of coastal zones and their potential for development

Date: 11/05/2016

Location: Mediterranea University of Reggio Calabria

Organiser: Mediterranea University of Reggio Calabria

Website: www.unirc.it

Event description: A roundtable which brings together experts and stakeholders with the goal of brainstorming on the potential for development of the coastal zone of the Strait of Messina as a challenge for future integrated planning which could trigger sustainable development in the area.

Title: Discovering the northernmost harbours of the Mediterranean Sea

Date: 13, 20 & 27 May 2016

Location: Trieste, Monfalcone (GO), San Giorgio di Nogaro (UD)

Organiser: Maritime Technology Cluster FVG - mareTC FVG

Website: www.marefvg.it

Event description: The initiative will involve the 3 commercial ports of the region Friuli Venezia Giulia (Trieste, Monfalcone and Porto Nogaro) and will take place on May 13, 20 and 27.

Each regional port has its own history, a different location and reflects different territorial and geographical conditions that led to the development of tailored port facilities, structures and activities.

The activities include visits in the port areas and some information conferences on the port activities (eg goods transportation routes, vessel specifics and port related jobs).

Some laboratories and simulations will also be held: visit to the control room, realization of sailing knots, how to read a nautical chart, understanding of latitude and longitude.

Title: Blue economy and coastal and maritime tourism: emerging segments, opportunities and challenges in Sardinia

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Port of Cagliari, headquarters of Italian Navy

Organiser: ALTurEgo

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/AlturEgo> and <http://www.alturego.org/index.php/it/>

Event description: Half day conference on Blue Growth and the coastal and maritime tourism in Sardinia: best practices of different coastal and maritime tourist segments, outline of the opportunities and challenges, debate among key stakeholders).

Title: Me&Sea, Sicilian EAst Coast

Date: 28/05/2016

Location: Messina and East Coast of Sicily

Organiser: FeelLand Group

Website: www.feelland.it

Event description: The second edition of the project "Me&Sea" wants to enhance the most important elements that identify the city of Messina which survived the earthquake and tsunami in of 1908: its close and deep relationship with the sea.

The name of the project wants to enhance the relationship between the city and the sea (ME is the international code of Messina's city) and, at the same time, between people and the sea not only in front of Messina, but throughout the whole east coast. Messina is the first city you meet arriving in Sicily from north, from the European continent. The project includes art exhibitions, performances, guided tours, sports and environmental activities.

Title: Blue Horizon

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: San Benedetto Del Tronto Yachting club

Organiser: BLU MARINE SERVICE

Website: WWW.BLUMARINESERVICE.IT

Event description: A series of workshops on how the marine environment, the local traditions and the excellence of the territory can work as drivers for the coastal development.

Lithuania

Title: Baltic Marine Cooperation Initiative: bringing Lithuania closer to its neighbours

Date: 16/05/2016

Location: Klaipėda

Organiser: Business Dynamics

Website: www.bamics.eu/

Event description: This workshop aims in helping lead participating countries towards increased sustainability opportunities for a healthier and cleaner environment in the Baltic Sea, with the major focus on Lithuania, as it is the hosting country. Major goals are to answer the questions: how can Lithuania increase closer cooperation with its neighbours? How can Lithuania and its neighbours each benefit from closer cooperation?

Slovenia

Title: EU Maritime Law & Policy: Ports, Off-Shore and Blue Growth

Date: 27/05/2016

Location: Portoroz

Organiser: Maritime Law Association of Slovenia

Website: www.dpps-mlas.si

Event description: Round- table with a panel of international speakers on the legal aspects of regulation of ports, the offshore and blue-growth in EU, with a specific emphasis on the Adriatic and Mediterranean.

The event is hosted by the Maritime Law Association of Slovenia (MLAS) and co-organized by the Italian and Croatian Maritime Law Associations. This is the eighth annual conference on EU Maritime Policy and its implementation in the Mediterranean/Adriatic.

Portugal

Title: Opening of the 2016 Açores Entre Mares Campaign

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Horta, Faial, Azores

Organiser: Regional Directorate for Sea Affairs

Website: <http://www.azores.gov.pt/GRA/srmct-mar>

Event description: The event consists on the 2016 Açores Entre-Mares campaign public presentation at the Professional School of Horta, Faial Island, Azores. The main goal of this campaign is to raise awareness and improve knowledge about the sea and its sustainable use. The 2016 Açores Entre-Mares campaign aims at contributing for the academic success of the Azorean students, by providing online multimedia educational resources about the Azorean Sea and promoting several events and activities on environmental protection and sustainable use of the ocean.

Spain

Title: LET'S GO SAILING

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Hondarribia - Gipuzkoa

Organiser: NAVEGAVELA

Website: www.navegavela.com

Event description: Sailing tours for children under 8 years old where experienced skippers will have the opportunity to teach them why and how we have to look after the ocean while sailing.

Title: CONOCE TU PUERTO (Know your Port)

Date: 16/05/2016

Location: Port of Algeciras

Organiser: AUTORIDAD PORTUARIA BAHÍA DE ALGECIRAS

Website: www.apba.es

Event description: Port Authority of Algeciras Bay (APBA) is organizing its fourth CONOCE TU PUERTO (KNOW YOUR PORT) activity, which offers our neighbours the opportunity to discover the port facilities from the sea. From 16 May to 27 May 1,500 visitors will participate in ten scheduled boat trips, having the chance to spot the dolphins that inhabit in the waters of the bay.

Title: Save Our Seas

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Aquarium San Sebastian (Gipuzkoa)

Organiser: AZTI TECNALIA

Website: www.azti.es

Event description: A sailing tour and a tour and a press conference at the Aquarium of San Sebastian, where two divers will show a message underwater: Save Our Seas!

Title: Smart and sustainable solutions for Blue Growth in the Region of Murcia

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Region of Murcia

Organiser: CTN - Marine Technology Centre

Website: www.ctnaval.com

Event description: The Region of Murcia joins once again the celebration of the European Maritime Day with the organization of different activities (open door day, conference, scuba diving activities, boat trips) on the importance of the sea in our daily life, in economy and in employment, especially in a region with such a long maritime tradition like the Region of Murcia. This year the events focus on smart and sustainable solutions for Blue Growth.

Title: Commemoration of the European Maritime Day in Andalusia

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Málaga (Andalusia)

Organiser: Andalusian Maritime Cluster

Website: www.cmma.eu

Event description: The event consists of a series of activities that include a professional orientation working day for the high school in the Port of Malaga, a cycle of conferences about Blue Growth and information on a number of topics: maritime innovation and technology, maritime research, marine and environmental richness of Mediterranean and Atlantic sea, historical and archaeological wealth of the area, a hallmark of European culture.

A special activity named “Orientando el Rumbo” (Guiding the Course), will show to the schoolchildren the main professions related to the sea. This event includes an exhibition of photographs, a visit to the Alborania Museum, a drawing contest for children on European Maritime Day, a live demonstration of techniques and underwater technologies (diving, robotics, security, oceanography, etc.) and a visit to a research ship.

United Kindom

Title: Knowing the Sea. The Prospects of Maritime Domain Awareness

Date: 20/05/2016

Location: Cardiff, Wales

Organiser: University of Cardiff

Website: <http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/>

Event description: Maritime Domain Awareness aims at understanding of what happens at sea. New approaches to information sharing, surveillance and tracking technology, and big data analysis aim at providing a full picture of movements at sea and the identification of anomalies and threats. Maritime Domain Awareness is one of the pre-conditions of better ocean governance and improved law enforcement at sea. Indeed it has been described as the key enabler. Knowing the sea is important for ensuring Blue Growth and the sustainable exploitation of the sea, but also for addressing maritime security. Maritime Domain Awareness is a significant technical challenge, yet, it also raises socio-political questions. It requires to build trust and effective relations across borders and organizational cultures. It also raises concerns over privacy, legality and ethics.

This one day workshop takes stock of the current state of maritime domain awareness. It discusses the technical frontier in surveillance and anomaly detection, the perspective of end users and stakeholders, as well as the political, social and legal questions that emerge.

Tunisia

Title: Blue biotechnology laboratory and its clusters: The Cross border challenge toward promoting research and investment in Mediterranean.

Date: 31/05/2016

Location: INSTM-La Goulette

Organiser: Institut National des Sciences et Technologies de la Mer- INSTM

Website: www.instm.agrinet.tn

Event description: Located in the port of La-Goulette, the INSTM center hosts the new BIOVecQ laboratory, which was build and equipped thanks to Tunisian and EU funds (Cross Border Cooperation Italy-Tunisia programme). The BIOVecQ laboratory was inaugurated on the 25th of February 2016.

The open day brings together students, researchers, scientists and business stakeholders to find out about our research and innovation related to the marine and freshwater environment. This is also an opportunity for participating in brainstorming sessions focused on future research priorities and how to better coordinate cross border Mediterranean efforts in blue biotechnology.