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STAKEHOLDER AGENDA

Thursday, 5 October

- 09:30** Visit tour to the National Institute of Nuclear Physics – National Laboratories of the South
- 10:00** A Novel Research Infrastructure in the Mediterranean Sea: Km3net Project
INFN-LNS
- 10:30** Towards a Mediterranean Network of Energy Communities and Waste Management Distribution in Ports (English language)
- Port Authority of Eastern Sicily
 - Transport Malta
 - Federazione del Mare
 - Assarmatori
 - SRM SRM Centro Studi e Ricerche
 - Port Authority of Northern Tyrrhenian Sea
 - Port Authority of Ionian Sea (online)
 - OMMP Tunisie, MEDPORTS (online)
 - Caronte & Tourist SpA (tbc)
 - Adriafer (online)
 - University of Oran – Algeria (tbc)



12:00 Marine Renewables & Desalination (English language)

- Ministry for the Civil Protection and the Sea Policies (tbc)
- CTN BIG
- INFN Catania
- University of Palermo
- University of Malta
- WSENSE
- AQP (online)
- CORILA Venice (tbc)
- Selmar Technologies srl (tbc)

13:00 Lunch break & Informal Networking

MEDBLEUE 2023

14:00 Achievements of the MEDBLEUE 2022: MoU between the Port of Taranto and Port of Rades (English language)

- Federazione del Mare
- CTN BIG
- Cluster Maritime Tunisien

14:30 Presentation of the INTERREG Italy-Malta, INTERREG NEXT MED Italie-Tunisie, AICS engagement in the Blue Economy (English language)

- INTERREG Italy-Malta
- INTERREG Italy-Malta (tbc)
- CTE Italie-Tunisie
- AICS Tunis (online)

15:30 EU funded programs: 2021-2027 priorities and funding calls (English language)

- **EMFAF – LIFE**, CINEA (online)
- **NEXT MED** - Managing Authority INTERREG NEXT MED
- **I3** - Manufacturing Activities Dept. – Region Sicily (tbc)
- **EUROMED** - Managing Authority (tbc)
- **EU Mission Restore Ocean and Waters** – Lighthouse for Mediterranean (tbc)
- **Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership calls** - CNR INM (online)
- **WestMED Embedding**: the role of cohesion programs, other EU programs and initiatives, Presidency of the Council of Ministers – DPCoe



16:30 Networking and matchmaking sessions

- Maritime Clusters
- Aquaculture
- Coastal Tourism
- Cultural Heritage
- Blue-biotech
- Blue Skills

Parallel events & Story-telling

- Sustainable Fishery and Aquaculture, DuWo srl
- Aqua Biotech, Malta
- Harmony (Interreg Project), BESS (Interreg Project)
- Marine Robotics, WSENSE
- Bioengineering, marine robotics, medicine, Signo Motus srl (tbc)
- School, sport and educational tourism, Circolo Velico Ventotene (tbc)
- Accelerators & Incubators, FAROS Blue Economy Accelerator (tbc)
- Exclusive Economic Zones – University of Bari (tbc)
- The promotion of SBE supply chains across the Mediterranean – IBG srl (tbc)
- Cultural identity and heritage of fishing villages in Sicily – Le Vie dei Tesori (tbc)
- Good practices in gathering coastal cities for a better SBE governance – Rete Antenna PON – Coalition of Mayors (tbc)



Friday, 6 October

09:30 Sustainable and adaptive fishery in the next Mediterranean scenario (English language)

- Ministry for the Civil Protection and the Sea Policies (tbc)
- Fishery Dept. – Region Sicily
- CTN BIG Sicily
- COSVAP Sicilian Cluster of Fishery and Sustainable Blue Economy (tbc)
- Federpesca
- Assoittica (tbc)
- DuWo srl
- SGD4MED Foundation
- Aqua Biotech, Malta
- WestMED National Hub for Algeria
- Mauritanian Marine Cluster
- WestMED National Coordinator for Libya

11:00 Geology, Oceanography and Ecology in the Mediterranean Basin (English language)

- INFN Catania
- Department of Oceanography, University of Malta (tbc)
- Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn Sicily
- University of Palermo; NBCF
- University of Messina
- University of Catania
- OGS (tbc)
- CNR IRBIM (online)
- Sapienza Università degli Studi di Roma – CIRPS (tbc)
- Signo Motus srl
- CTN BIG Sicily

12:00 Parallel Networking Sessions & Story-telling: initiatives, projects, startups, SMEs

- Story-telling and Testimonials
- Networking & matchmaking sessions

13:00 Final summary, conclusions and greetings

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