



Blue Accelerators & Incubators

The main challenge for Blue Growth in Italy

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National Event organized by the WestMED Initiative
Darwin Dohrn Museum, Villa comunale, Naples

AGENDA

Thursday, 26 May

- 09:20 Registration**
- 09:30 Welcome**
- Fabrizio Vecchi, Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn
- 09:35 Naples and its vocation for Blue Economy in the Mediterranean**
- Gaetano Manfredi, Mayor of Naples
- 09:40 The policy of the Campania Region for the development of the Blue Economy**
- Valeria Fascione, Councilor for Research, Innovation and Start up of the Campania Region
- 09:45 The WestMed Initiative and the Assistance Mechanism: implemented activities since January 2019: main objectives achieved**
- Manuel Pleguezuelo, European Commission - DG Mare
- 09:55 From clusters to accelerators and incubators: how the way of tackling the BE/BG challenge in a Mediterranean perspective evolves**
- Alessandra Sensi, Union for the Mediterranean
- 10:05 The Italian experience in the two-year WestMED co-presidency**
- WestMED National Coordinators for Italy:
- Daniele Bosio, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - Massimo Gerli, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Department for Cohesion Policies (DPCoe)



10:15 | Cluster Tecnologico Nazionale BIG and Federazione del Mare, a systemic alliance for the benefit of the Italian Blue Economy ecosystem

- Giovanni Caprino, Cluster Tecnologico Nazionale BIG - Blue Italian Growth
- Mario Mattioli, Federazione del Mare

10:35 | The first results of the CTN BIG – FdM Alliance, and the perspective of further consolidation

Projects COSME Euroclusters MEDBAN, Erasmus + MARMED; Acceleratore ISABELLA

- Roberto Cimino, Cluster Tecnologico Nazionale BIG - Blue Italian Growth
- Fabrizio Monticelli, Polo ForMare

10:55 | Pitching sessions (English language)

Italian Maritime Clusters: regional/sectoral

- Lorenzo Forcieri, DLTM
- Umberto Masucci, Propeller's Club
- Marcello Risitano, MAR.TE. Logistics, online
- Cristina Pedicchio, FVG MARE, online
- Giuseppe Palma, ASSOITTICA, online
- Concetta Messina, COSVAP, online

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- Ilaria Pais, FAROS Blue Economy Accelerator
- Raffaele Del Monaco, ENTOPAN – Harmonic Innovation Hub
- Andrea Sianesi, POLIHUB, online
- Valentina Battista, MATERIAS, online
- Maria Bernabé, DIGICIRC, online
- Mahdi Khomsi, BUSINESSMED
- Abdelfettah Herizi, LEANCUBATOR

Investors, Venture capital funds and private equity

- Umberto Masucci, F2i Holding Portuale SpA
- Daniele Pulcini, Actarus Investments
- Daniela Cedola, BlueInvest, online
- Alberto Giusti, Guanxi, online
- Mevin Kistnassamy, Blue Pelican Capital, online
- Markus Boehm, Planet Ocean Fund, online
- Carlos Esteban, Blue Pioneers Fund, online
- Brian Marrinan, ABC Team VC, online

SMEs/Startups/Spinoff etc

- Antonio Amendola, Boatsandgo
- Michele Grassi, Matchclick
- Alessandro Taini, Test1, online
- Murat Gurhan, Boatmate, online
- Matteo Ballottari, ASTEASY, online

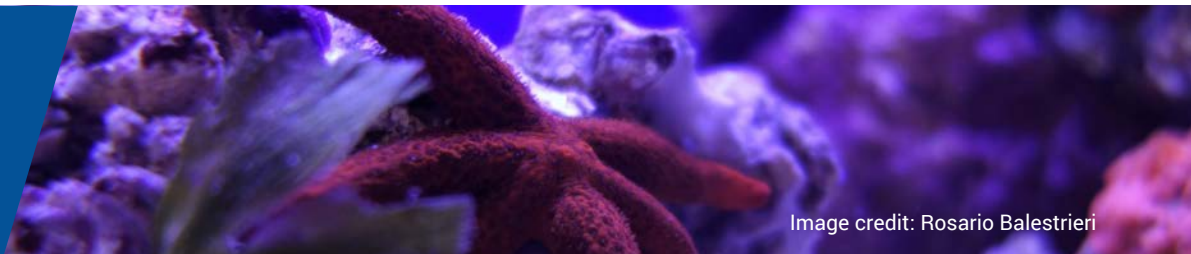


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13:00 Lunch break & informal networking

14:30 Presentations of organizations

Research & Innovation Institutes

- Marco Borra, Anton Dohrn
- Mounir Ghribi, OGS – ICAP
- Gianmarco Luna, CNR IRBIM online
- Chiara Lombardi, ENEA, online
- Massimo Zuccaro, Damiano Petruzzella, CIHEAM

EU sectoral platforms

- Fabio Fava, Fedra Francocci, BlueMed
- Thanos Smanis, EU-MSP Platform
- Antonio Novo Guerrero, European Clusters Alliance, online
- Maria Boile, WATERBORNE Partnership, online

National & regional agencies

- Margherita Marré Brunenghi, Regione Liguria
- Stefano Valentini, ART-ER Emilia Romagna, online
- Carlo Gadaleta Caldarola, ARTI Puglia online

Foreign delegations

- Stephanie Vella, WestMED National Hub Malta
- Matteo Bocci, WestMED Initiative – Assistance Mechanism – Central Team

Parallel Session

Networking & matchmaking sessions

16:00 Visit to the new Darwin-Dohrn Museum



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Friday, 27 May

10:00

**WestMED Embedding:
the role of cohesion programs, other EU programs and initiatives**

- Monica Bellisario, Presidenza Consiglio dei Ministri – Dipartimento Politiche di Coesione (DPCoe)
- Manuel Pleguezuelo, European Commission - DG Mare
- Ivano Magazzù, INTERACT, online
- Mercedes Acitores INTERACT, online
- Rosario Sapienza, TESIM, online
- Federico Lasco AdG mainstream Regione Sicilia, INTERREG Italia-Malta, Italia-Tunisia
- Antonio Bernardo AdG mainstream Regione Basilicata
- Antonella Giglio, Aldo Puleo, AdG ENI CBC/INTERREG NEXT MED
- Filippo Giabbani, AdG INTERREG ITA-FR Marittimo, online
- Ivana Sacco, DPCoe (EUSAIR)
- Serena Borgna, APRE

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Coordination meeting MEDBLEUE 2022

12:00

Final conclusions and greetings

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