

**Swimming forward!**  
Conference on **Blue Growth**

Blue technologies - Fisheries - Marine services



**Center of Mediterranean Architecture, Chania, Crete**

1 and 2 April, 2020

**Draft Agenda**

**1 April 2020**

**Introductory speeches**

9:00 - 9:30 Registration

9:30 - 10:30

**Ioannis Firbas**

*EUSAIR National Coordinator for ESI Funds  
General Director, National Coordination Authority for ESIF,  
Greek Ministry of Development and Investments*

**Prefecture of Crete**

**Christos Economou (TBC)**

*DG Mare, Head of Unit A3 'Sea-basin Strategies, Maritime Regional  
Cooperation and Maritime Security'*

**Blue Biotechnologies & Innovation**

10:30 - 12:00

**The European Marine Biological Resource Centre (EMBRC) -  
A practical support for Blue Growth**

**Dr Nicolas Pade**

*Executive Director, European Marine Biological Resource Centre, Paris,  
France*

**Precision underwater localization for cartography, location-  
aware sampling (pollution monitoring) and autonomous  
navigation**

**Dr Dimitris A. Pados**

*Charles E. Schmidt Chair Professor of Engineering and Computer Science  
Director, Center for Connected Autonomy & Artificial Intelligence,  
Florida Atlantic University, USA*

**Blue Technology & Marine Bio-Inspired Materials: an alternative  
to the mitigation of climate change and sustainable use of  
natural resources**

**Dr Susana Fernandes**

*Associate Professor (Tenure Track)  
Principal Investigator Chair MANTA - E2S UPPA, France  
Guest Researcher, Uppsala University, Sweden*

## Marine organisms as a source of new drugs and cosmeceuticals

**Dr Marijana Zovko Koncic**

*Professor, University of Zagreb, Faculty of Pharmacy and Biochemistry,  
Department of Pharmacognosy, Zagreb, Croatia*

Moderator: **Javier Gomez**

*Expert, Smart Specialisation analysis of the blue economy, Joint Research  
Center – European Commission*

12:00 – 12:30

Coffee break

## Fisheries & Aquaculture

12:30 - 14:00

### **‘VIOAXIOPPIO’, a project funded by GSRT under the RTDI Action ‘Research – Create – Innovate’**

**Dr Yannis Kotzamanis**

*Senior Researcher, Hellenic Centre for Marine Research, Institute of Marine  
Biology, Biotechnology and Aquaculture, Laboratory of Fish Nutrition and  
Omics Technologies*

### **Harmonized management of marine pollution in Ionian and Adriatic Seas (the data from ADRION ‘Harmonia’ project)**

**Dr Jerina Kolitari**

*Associate Professor, Agricultural University of Tirana, Department of  
Aquaculture and Fishery, Aquaculture and Fishery Laboratory, Durrës,  
Albania*

### **Land based and offshore aquaculture, fish health & nutrition, aquatic research facilities**

**George D. Mantas**

*Business Development Director, AquaBioTech Group, Malta*

### **PerformFISH - Ensuring sustainable growth of the Mediterranean Marine Fish Farming (MMFF) industry**

**Dr Nikos Papandroulakis**

*Researcher, Hellenic Centre for Marine Research*

Moderator: **TBC**

14:00 - 15:00

Lunch break

## Marine & Maritime services

15:00 – 16:30

**HCMR activities with respect to marine pollutant models, climate dynamics, development and application of Individual Based Models (IBM) that describe to full life circle of small pelagic fish**

**Dr George Triantafyllou**

*Research Director, Institute of Oceanography, Hellenic Centre for Marine Research*

**European University for Smart Coastal Sustainability (EU-CONEXUS) and 'Blue Career Centre'**

**Dr Eleni Miliou**

*Professor, Lab of Applied Hydrobiology, Agricultural University of Athens*

**Marine and Maritime R&I driven by industry and society needs**

**Dr Zacharias Siokouros**

*Chief Executive Officer, Cyprus Marine and Maritime Institute (CMMI)*

**Helping shape projects & businesses and raising finance in the Blue Economy sector**

**Andrew Smith**

*Owner, Deja Blue Consulting*

*Partner, Greenbackers Investment Capitals, UK*

Moderator: **TBC**

20:00

Official dinner offered by the EUSAIR Facility Point GR

## 2 April 2020

### WP2 Presentation

9:00 - 9:15

**Linking Blue Growth and Pillar I of EUSAIR**

**Sofia Loukmidou**

*Coordinator TSG1 "Blue Growth" (EUSAIR)*

*Head of Unit A 'Programming & Evaluation', Managing Authority of the Fisheries and Maritime Operational Program, Greek Ministry for Rural Development and Food*

9:15 - 11:00

**Blue Growth & integrated territorial investments promoting island regions and counterbalancing insularity handicaps**

**Dimitrios Skalkos**

*Secretary General, General Secretariat of Public Investments & PA, Greek Ministry of Development & Investments*

**Dr Evangelos Kyriazopoulos**

*Secretary General, General Secretariat of Maritime and Port Infrastructure, Greek Ministry of Maritime Affairs & Insular Policy*

**Christiana Kalogirou**

*Secretary General, General Secretariat of Aegean & Insular Policy, Greek Ministry of Maritime Affairs & Insular Policy*

**Dr Konstantinos Baginetas**

*Secretary General, General Secretariat of Agricultural Policy and European Funds Management, Greek Ministry for Rural Development and Food*

**George Stavros Kremlis**

*Principal Advisor to the Prime Minister for energy, climate, environment and circular economy matters*

**Moderator: Ioannis Firbas**

*EUSAIR National Coordinator for ESI Funds  
General Director, National Coordination Authority for ESIF,  
Greek Ministry of Development and Investments*

11:00 - 14:00	<b>Round table discussions &amp; networking with start-ups</b>
14:00 - 15:00	Lunch
20:00	Farewell dinner offered by the Prefecture of Crete