



BLUE SKILLS EVENT

Blue Skills for a Sustainable Blue Economy in Adriatic and Ionian Region

EU Strategy for the Adriatic & Ionian Region (EUSAIR) - Pillar 1 (Blue Growth)

European Commission - DG REGIO, DG MARE

10 December 2024, Piraeus (Greece)

09:30 - 17:00 (Athens, CET+1)

Venue

Piraeus Chamber of Commerce and Industry (“EVEP”)
Georgiou Kasimati 1, Plateia Odissou (Metro Station “Piraeas”)
Piraeus, Greece



Participants

EUSAIR Thematic Steering Group 1 (TSG 1)
Representatives of the Commission Services
Invited Panellists and Guests
Stakeholders and general interested public

Chairs

EUSAIR Pillar 1 Coordinators: Greece and Montenegro
EC DG REGIO
EUSAIR National Coordinator for Greece

DRAFT AGENDA

10 December 2024	
09:30 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 - 10:05	Introduction Blue Skills in Pillar 1 for a Sustainable Blue Economy Michael Chatziefstathiou, Irina Vukcevic EUSAIR TSG1 Pillar Coordinators
Moderators: Michael Chatziefstathiou, Irina Vukcevic	
10:05 - 10:15	Hellenic Presidency of EUSAIR Welcome Adress and Presentation of the Hellenic Presidency Programme Mathilde Konstantopoulou EUSAIR National Coordinator for ESI Funds Special Service for the Coordination of Planning, Evaluation & Implementation General Directorate of Strategy, Planning and Implementation of the PA Ministry of Economy & Finance
10:15 - 10:45	Welcome Adresses & Greetings - DG MARE - Christos Economou , Deputy Director, Head of Unit, A.3. Maritime Cooperation, Sea basins strategies, and Maritime Security - DG REGIO - Gilles Kittel , Team Leader - South East Europe, DG Regio, D1

	<p>Ministries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foreign Affairs - Rural Development & Food - Maritime Affairs & Insular Policy - Employment (tbc) - Piraeus Chamber of Commerce & Industry
10:45 - 11:00	<p>Presentation of the IPA ADRION Blue skills projects, Masters and partnerships granted and planned calls Lodovico Gherardi, Coordinator of the Managing Authority Unit “Interreg IPA ADRION Programme 2021-2027” (online)</p>
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee Break
Moderators: Mathilde Konstantopoulou, Theodora Koutsogaki	
11:15 - 11:30	<p>DG GROW EU Pact for Skills Daniela Santapolo, Policy Officer, European Commission, DG GROW, D1 Skills for Industry and Professions</p>
11:30 - 11:45	<p>DG EMPL Regional Scale Partnerships and Good Practices Felix Rohn, Policy Officer, DG EMPL, B2 Skills Agenda</p>
11:45 - 12:00	<p>DG MARE EU initiatives supporting the development of Blue Skills Arturo Incerti, Policy Officer, European Commission, DG MARE, A.3</p>
12:00 - 12:15	<p>DG MARE Stakeholder's dialogues on skills in the Energy transition Partnership for fisheries and aquaculture Ana Peralta Baptista, Policy Officer, European Commission, DG MARE, A.4</p>
12:15 - 12:30	<p>DG REGIO EU Policies embedding and Funding in the revised EUSAIR Action Plan Georgios Emmanouil, Policy Officer, European Commission, DG REGIO, D1</p>
12:30 - 12:35	<p>EUSAIR Youth Council The next blue generation - Info and Needs Youth Council representative</p>
12:35 - 12:45	Q & A
12:45 - 14:00	Lunch Break
Moderators: Michael Chatziefstathiou, Sofia Pournara	
14:00 - 14:15	<p>The skills needed by a succesful graduate to work at the sectors of Fisheries, Aquaculture, Biotechnology, and Blue Economy Panagiota Panagiotaki Professor of Aquaculture. University of Thessaly, Department of Ichthyology & Aquatic Environment (DIAE), Director of the Aquaculture Laboratory, Director of the MSc Course “Mediterranean Aquaculture”</p>



14:15 - 14:30	<p><i>Maritime professions in European societies: Challenges for tomorrow's seafarers and societal engagement</i></p> <p>Ioannis Katsounis Adjunct Lecturer / Postdoctoral Researcher, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Department of Ports Management and Shipping</p>
14:30 - 14:45	<p><i>High Level and Market-respondent Competences for a Blue and Digitalized "Smart and Skilled South Adriatic"</i></p> <p>Radoje Laušević Policy Analysis, Stakeholder Engagement, Communication, and Monitoring & Evaluation, University of Montenegro, Institute of Marine Biology</p>
14:45 - 15:00	<p><i>Blue Skills: aquairing and validating skills through experiential learning</i></p> <p>Lekakou Maria Professor in Maritime Economics, University of the Aegean, Department of Shipping Trade and Transport</p>
15:00 - 15:15	Q & A
15:15 - 15:30	Coffee Break
Moderators: Georgios Emmanouil, Michael Chatziefstathiou	
15:30 - 15:45	<p>Italian Friuli Venezia Giulia <i>Brief presentation of the cluster, the way to its establishment, problems during that process, and opportunities arising from its function</i> Representative of the Italian Cluster (TBC)</p>
15:45 - 16:00	<p>Croatian Maritime Innovation Cluster (Marinn) <i>Brief presentation of the cluster, the way to its establishment, problems during that process, and opportunities arising from its function</i> Representative of the Croatian Cluster (Ana Odak, President of MARINN cluster, or Boze Colak, TBC)</p>
16:00 - 16:15	<p>Greek Maritime Cluster <i>Brief presentation of the cluster, the way to its establishment, problems during that process, and opportunities arising from its function</i> Representative of the Hellenic Maritime Cluster (George Alexandratos, Vice President of the Hellenic Chamber of Shipping, TBC)</p>
16:15 - 16:30	Q & A
16:30 - 16:40	<p>Pact for Blue Skills in the Sustainable Blue Economy in the EUSAIR <i>Proposal to establish a Regional Scale Partnership, under the Pact for Skills initiative, on Blue Skills in the Sustainable Blue Economy in the EUSAIR</i> Georgios Emmanouil DG REGIO</p>
16:40 - 16:50	<p>Conclusions & Next Steps Michael Chatziefstathiou, Irina Vukcevic EUSAIR TSG1 Pillar Coordinators</p>
16:50 - 17:00	<p>Closure Ms Mathilde Konstantopoulou Hellenic Presidency of EUSAIR</p>