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Blue Invest 2018 took place on 7 May

A delegation from SUBMARINER Network participated as part of the "dream team" delegation from the Baltic Blue Biotechnology ALLIANCE and the InnoAquaTech projects: Eftalia Arvaniti (SUBMARINER Network), Hilary Karlson (DTI), Rainer Cramm (BCV), Valentin Eckart (BCV) and Tobias Tuttlies (nidus-the brand incubator GmbH).

Twenty exciting companies were pre-selected from more than 100 applications and invited to pitch in front of a panel of top investors.

Parallel to the pitching, multiple 1-to-1 bilateral meetings had been arranged throughout the day among participants seeking investment and project development opportunities.

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Interested in promoting multi-use in maritime space? Register for MUSES action plan workshop in Venice!

The second MUSES (Multi-Use in European Seas) project workshop will take place on Wednesday 27th of June 2018, Venice, Italy. This EU wide workshop will gather actors from the maritime business community, planning, policy and regulatory agencies, financing bodies - including EU programmes - and research institutions, to discuss the draft Ocean Multi-Use Action Plan. The workshop aims to provide a suitable environment where actors can meet and discuss potential synergies among sectors and collaborations for establishing Multi-Use. If you wish to register your interest for attending the workshop, and any possible need for financial assistance in attending, you can fill in the registration form, available here. If you have any questions about the event, please don't hesitate to contact the MUSES team at ms.musesproject@gov.sco

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Call for Participants: Workshop on Ecodesign and Marine Litter on 15 June 2018, Berlin

Globally, an estimated 4.7 million to 12.7 million tonnes of plastic enter the ocean annually from land. Marine litter significantly impacts the marine environment, its organisms as well as human beings. In order to find design-based solutions, the HELCOM and the INTERREG-Project "EcoDesign Circle" are jointly organising a workshop on the 15th of June 2018 in Berlin, Germany. A few places are still available.

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Register for the BalticBlueBioAlliance Conference: 22-24 August 2018!

The conference is part of the project „Baltic Blue Biotech Alliance“, funded by EU INTERREG BSR. The initiative represents a step forward in the implementation of the BLUE GROWTH strategy of the European Union. Up to 120 scientists, entrepreneurs and stakeholders from the public and the private sector will attend. There is no registration fee for your participation.

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Smart Blue Regions project Workshop: Offshore Wind Energy Supply Chain – future outlook for technologies and cooperation

A workshop was organized under the Smart Blue Regions project on the 26th April by Pomorskie Association in EU and Maritime Institute in Gdańsk, both Submariner Network members, together with GSG Towers Ltd. The objective of the workshop was to explore and define possibilities of transnational cooperation among entrepreneurs representing offshore industry in the Baltic Sea Region making use of RIS3 processes and EU funding.

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Stakeholders get together to discuss blue mussels in the Baltic Sea

It's been a busy few months for the project partners and stakeholders involved in the project Baltic Blue Growth. Several stakeholder workshops have taken place, providing a forum for stakeholders to discuss legal issues and business opportunities for mussel farmers in the Baltic Proper. In Germany, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Environment, Nature and Digitalization, together with the Coastal Union Germany organized a workshop specifically aimed at civil servants granting permits for mussel farms. A model permit application was set up for civil servants to work through. In Malmö, a Danish-Swedish mussel meeting was organized focusing on business opportunities for mussel farmers in the region. Further meetings were organized in Latvia, Estonia and on the east coast of Sweden. In the next couple of months more meetings will be organized in the participating regions. Keep an eye out for a meeting near you on the Baltic Blue Growth website.

[Read more about the Baltic Blue Growth project](#)

Upcoming events

EurOcean Prof. Mario Ruivo Tribute and Ocean Literacy Event, 06 June



The Icelandic Saga or the InnoAquaTech study visit in March 2018

In the end of March, project partners of the InnoAquaTech project invited SMEs from the South Baltic Region to join them on their study visit to Iceland, a place which is famous for a strong entrepreneurship and sustainable approaches, including aquaculture.

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4 new cases accepted to the ALLIANCE mentoring programme

The new candidates were selected during the project partner meeting on 9-11 April, 2018 in Copenhagen. The new comers are: LoondSPA OÜ (Estonia), Phytolinc (Germany), DoS - Department of Seaweed (Germany), Biotrino - DTU (Denmark). The ALLIANCE mentoring programme encompasses in total 26 cases, who benefit from the blue biotechnology expertise offered by the ALLIANCE experts. For more information about the cases, please visit [our website](#) (the material is updated on an on-going basis). We are looking forward to a fruitful cooperation with the new and exciting case ideas!



Curious about blue mussels in the Baltic Sea?

Lots of questions have come up regarding cultivating and harvesting blue mussels in the Baltic Sea proper. So, the Baltic Blue Growth project's communication team put together a list of **frequently asked questions (FAQs)** to answer all those nagging questions about the environmental impacts, technical challenges and legal issues regarding blue mussel cultivation in the Baltic Sea. Of course, the FAQs will be continuously updated and revised as the BBG project progresses.

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2018, Bruxelles, Belgium

EurOcean is organising an event to pay tribute to its co-founder, Prof. Mário Ruivo, and to raise awareness on Ocean Literacy. Prof. Mário Ruivo made many key contributions to marine science and policy in Europe. Discover who he was from the people who knew him best. Reflect on his vision and discuss what we still have to achieve.

Baltic Symposium “Clean and Safe Baltic Sea and Energy Security for the Baltic countries”, 12 June – 15 June 2018, Klaipėda University, Klaipėda, Lithuania

The event will be hosted by the Klaipėda University Marine Research Institute and association Baltic Valley (Lithuania), in cooperation with the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and Oceanic Engineering Society (United States of America). Registration and abstract submission is now **open**.

Please visit our website for more upcoming events <https://www.submariner-network.eu/events>

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