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EU4Ocean: Baltic workshop

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**Speaker Profiles** 



Angela Schultz-Zehden is the managing director of SUBMARINER Network. She is highly experienced in the development and management of complex international cooperation projects and strategic project pipelines covering the whole spectrum of sustainable development. She has been involved in the development of Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) and Integrated Maritime Policy since 2001. In this time, she has developed and led a whole string of projects related to MSP and sustainable use of marine resources in the Baltic Sea Region and beyond.



Lisa Simone de Grunt is a maritime planning and policy consultant with SUBMARINER Network, where she applies her knowledge of maritime affairs to 'blue' projects, including the Blue Platform. She is one of the Youth4Ocean Forum's founding members. Her interdisciplinary professional background was formed by working as an editor and includes completion of the MSP traineeship with DG MARE. She has an international Masters degree in Maritime Spatial Planning and an academic background in Literary Studies and Spatial Planning & Human Geography.



Dominika Wojcieszek is Head of Education at the Gdynia Aquarium, a department of the National Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Poland. By education she is an oceanographer, Gdansk University and San Francisco State University graduate. She used to do research on past climate changes, reconstructing sea surface temperatures with the use of microfossils. During the time spent in academia she was always involved in voluntary work with kids and younger students. Her vision is to create long-term programs for students of all ages that will help develop an ocean literate society. She believes that this goal cannot be achieved without a qualified team of educators specializing in different aspects of marine science and the art of education.





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**Tymon Zielinski** is a leader of the Climate and Ocean Research and Education Unit at IO PAN, where he is an associate professor. Since 2016, Tymon has been a member of the UN group of experts of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment. Since 2019, Tymon is a member of the Steering Committee of the European Marine Board Communication Panel and since 2020, a chair for the Climateand Ocean Working Group within the EU4Ocean Platform. Tymon has been involved in numerous projects focused on climate change and marine environment, organized numerous meetings and has been a PI in both national and international projects.



Joachim Hjerl is the founder of the Danish nonprofit Havhøst ("Ocean Harvest" in Danish). The organization aims to create public awareness and offer concrete ways to get involved in regenerative ocean farming of seaweed, mussels and oysters based on blue community gardens as well as small-scale commercial operations with a strong local anchorage. Havhøst runs an extensive educational program targeting schools all over Denmark and is active in more than 20 Danish coastal cities. A recent innovation from Havhøst is the new Bølgemark (Danish for "Wave Field") — a floating platform designed for cultivation and educational activities. More info at www.havhoest.dk.



**Dominik Littfass** is a seasoned communications practitioner and has been the Communication Secretary of the Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission, also known as the Helsinki Commission or HELCOM, since April 2018. Prior to HELCOM, Dominik was a consultant for UN-Habitat based in Nairobi, Kenya and later in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil where he coordinated the agency's Latin American communications. He also worked eight years as creative director in one of East Africa's leading publishing houses overseeing the production of several magazines. Previously, he also served as press, protocol and cultural affairs officer at the German Embassy Nairobi, Kenya, and was the cultural coordinator of Alliance Française de Kampala, Uganda. Holding both German and French nationalities, Dominik has studied communication sciences in Lyon, St Etienne and Dijon, both in France, and has a university diploma in communications.



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Malin Rosengren is Project coordinator at the transdisciplinary Centre for Sea and Society, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. She is also Project leader for the communication project "Ocean Blues – from anxiety to action", where the scientific community reach out to secondary schools, teaching about environmental issues, their solutions and different ways for citizen to take action. Malin has a PhD in Biology.



Ida Wendt is Project manager at the Swedish Institute for the Marine Environment. She is also Coordinator of the Swedish National Network for Ocean Literacy. A network for organisations and persons working with ocean literacy which includes a wide variety of organisations, from science centers and universities to NGOs and municipalities. Ida has a PhD in marine biology.