



European Maritime Day

Brest 24 & 25 May 2023

24 May

Time	Event	Details
09.00-09.30	Welcome coffee	
09.30-10.15	Opening session	<p>Key note speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Virginijus Sinkevičius, Commissioner for Environment, Oceans and Fisheries• Hervé Berville, Secrétaire d'état chargé de la Mer (FR) <p>Welcoming remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pierre Karleskind, Member of the European Parliament and Chair of the Fisheries Committee• Loïg Chesnais-Girard, President of Region of Brittany, FR• François Cuillandre, Mayor of Brest <p>Master of ceremony: Sasha Vakulina, Business Editor at Euronews</p>
10.15-11.45	High level panel on a new approach to a Sustainable Blue Economy: preparing for the future	<p>Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Energy transition of fisheries and aquaculture• Marine Renewable Energy• Maritime Spatial Planning• Algae• Regional cooperation and Smart Specialisation• Blue skills <p>Scene-setter: Charlina Vitcheva, Director General of DG MARE at the European Commission</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eric Banel, Director General at the Direction Générale des Affaires Maritimes, de la Pêche et de l'aquaculture (FR)• Pierre Karleskind, Member of the European Parliament Chair of the Fisheries Committee• Jakob Granit, General Director for the Swedish Agency for Water and Marine Management• Marisa Lameiras da Silva, Director General for Maritime Policy and Chair of the Atlantic Sea Basin Strategy• Cees Loggen, President of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions of Europe (CPMR) and Regional Minister of the Province Noord-Holland.• Helena Abreu, Vice President of the International Seaweed Association <p>Moderator: Sasha Vakulina, Business Editor at Euronews</p>
11.45-12.15	coffee break - networking	

12.15-13.30	Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Future Skills for Sustainable Blue Economy: What challenges and opportunities?" By CPMR, ENSTA BRETAGNE, FORMARE and PROSEA. • "Sustainability from producers to consumers" by the European Association of Fish Producers Organisations (EAPO) • "Women in the blue economy" by the Università degli Studi Roma Tre – Dipartimento di Scienze Politiche • "Path to decarbonisation: cross-sea basin synergies" by the Sea basins Assistance Mechanism
13.30-14.30	lunch break - networking	
14.30-15.45	Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Invertebrates' aquaculture: towards circular model" by the Marine and Environmental Sciences centre • "Fostering Atlantic renewable energy" by Gobierno de Canarias/Cluster marítimo de Canarias, France Energies Marines and Atlantic Action Plan (Marine Renewable Energy Pillar) • "How CISE can strengthen the EU's maritime security" by the European Maritime Safety Agency and the Secrétariat Général de la Mer. • "Reaching sustainable ocean: role of ocean literacy in linking science with blue sectors, education and society" by ACTeon, JPI-Oceans, UBO and IOPAN
15.15-16.15	Pitch session 5 - Common Fisheries Policy – today and tomorrow	<p>Presentation by DG MARE and exchange with stakeholders</p> <p>Scene-setter / moderator: Stephen Davies, Advisor to the Deputy Director General of DG MARE at the European Commission</p>
15.45-16.15	coffee break - networking	
16.15-17.30	High level panel on Maritime Security: The EU Maritime Security Strategy; the role of the EU Agencies and inter-Agency cooperation	<p>Scene setter/moderator: Charlina Vitcheva, Director General of DG MARE at the European Commission</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Didier Lallement, Secrétaire Général de la mer (FR) • Susan Steele, Executive Director at the European and Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA) • Leendert Bal, Head of the Safety, Security & Surveillance Department at the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) • Lars Gerdes, Deputy Executive Director at the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) • Xavier Rebour, Director of France Cyber Maritime <p>Master of ceremony: Sasha Vakulina, Business Editor at Euronews</p>
	Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "EU4Algae Roadshow" by EurA AG on behalf of EU4Algae • "Industry 5.0 towards a responsible seafood sector" by the European Regions Network for the Application of Communications Technology • "Shipping Decarbonisation – opportunities and challenges of new propulsion technologies and fuels" by the European Community Shipowners' Associations (ECSA) and Wind Ship

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Benefiting from Maritime Data to Drive Marine Innovation" by Technopôle Brest-Iroise, Blue-Cloud 2026, European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet), VesselAI and The European Ocean Observing System Framework (EOOS)
19.00-21.00	networking cocktail reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gift exchange between EMD 2023 and 2024 hosts, Brest-Svendborg

25 May

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08.30-09.00	Welcome coffee	
09.00-10.00	High level panel session on innovation in the Blue Economy - preparing for future	<p>Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mission Ocean Ocean Observation EU Blue Economy Observatory <p>Scene-setter: Kestutis Sadauskas, Deputy Director General in DG MARE at the European Commission</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salla Saastamoinen, Deputy Director General at the Joint Research Centre (JRC) Eric Banel, Director General at the Direction Générale des Affaires Maritimes, de la Pêche et de l'aquaculture (FR) François Houllier, Président-directeur général at IFREMER Margherita Cappelletto, Technologist at the Department of Earth System Science and Environmental Technologies of the National Research Council of Italy <p>Moderator: Stephen Davies, Adviser to the Deputy Director General in DG MARE at the European Commission</p>
10.00-10.30,	coffee break - networking	
10.30- 11.45	Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "The EU as a Maritime Security Actor in the Gulf of Guinea and in the Indo-Pacific" by the European External Action Service (EEAS), Expertise France and the French Institute of Strategic Research "Achieving marine biodiversity protection targets in the EU: improving governance for planning & management" by the European Union's Ocean Governance for MPAs Project and the WWF European Policy Office "Decarbonising European Ports with Hydrogen" by Steinbeis Europa Zentrum and Bretagne Développement Innovation (BDI) "The Digital impact on maritime and naval training" by the Ecole nationale supérieure maritime, Ecole navale, and the Belgium Navy Academy

10.30-15.30	EMD Cities Network - Part 1-3	<p>Mayors of EMD cities (past, present and future) including a presentation on CINEA funded projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CINEA session - EU projects accelerating the energy transition • Round Tables of the EMD Cities Network • EMD Cities Network: Mayors' statements
11.45-12.15	coffee break - networking	
12.15-13.30	Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Sunken ammunition - hybrid and environmental threat in Baltic Sea" by the Helsinki Commission Contracting Parties who are also EU Member States and the EU and the Polish Naval Academy • "Sustainable aquaculture for the 21st century" by Crowdhelix • "How to plan & deploy nature friendly offshore wind" by the Renewables Grid Initiative and the Ligue pour la protection des oiseaux • "Marine Materials in a new European testing mechanism" by the Research Institutes of Sweden (RISE), EConcrete and Titanium Technology
13.30-14.30	lunch break - networking	
14.30-15.45	Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Blue Bioeconomy: latest trends and innovations" by the European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture products (EUMOFA) • "Predictable Green Energy out of the Blue" by Ocean Energy Europe and Nova Innovation • "Sustainable ocean observation, from open sea to coast: shared responsibilities" by the Institut français de recherche pour l'exploitation de la mer (Ifremer), EurofleetsPlus, Euro-Argo ERIC, European Global Ocean Observing System (EuroGOOS) and Esprit de Velox • "Marine ecosystem services: a decision-making tool" by HAEDES
16.00-17.15	Closing session	<p>Closing remarks by Charlina Vitcheva, Director General of DG MARE at the European Commission Remarks by Ambassador Olivier Poivre d'Arvor EU4Ocean award Ceremony Handover Ceremony between Brest and Svendborg</p>
17.15-17.30	End of EMD	