



## FRIDAY, 8 MARCH 2024 VENUE: SPARKS | 60 RUE RAVENSTEIN, BRUSSELS

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: LAVINIA GIULIA POMARICO, JPI OCEANS

09H00	Registration and welcome coffee + Ocean Literacy Island
09H30	OPENING ACT BY IMPROBUBBLE
09H45	SETTING THE SCENE
	Video message from Commissioner Virginijus Sinkevičius Dialogue between Charlina Vitcheva (Director-General of DG MARE - European Commission) and Young Ocean Advocates:
	<ul> <li>Letizia Artioli, Venice Climate Change Pavilion, Young Ocean Advocate</li> <li>Rada Pandeva, The Thalassophile Project, Young Ocean Advocate</li> <li>Stavriana Neokleus, Eurocean's Youth Ambassador, Surfrider Foundation Europe</li> </ul>
10H10	SESSION 1: OCEAN LITERACY AS PRE-CONDITION FOR A SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY
	Discussion on key conditions that can help deliver a sustainable blue economy, building on experience in strengthening ocean literacy and blue skills:
	<ul> <li>Evelyn Paredes Coral, Researcher PhD Student, Ghent University</li> <li>Philip Easthill, Secretary-General, European Boating Industry</li> <li>Caroline Bocquel, CEO, BIM - Ireland's Seafood Development Agency</li> <li>Farhat-Un-Nisá Bajwa, Young Ocean Advocate, Centro de Investigação Marinha e Ambiental</li> <li>Ruben Eiras, Secretary-General, Fórum Oceano</li> </ul>
	Facilitator: Lisa Picatto, Young Ocean Advocate
11H00	Elevator pitch by Frank Schweikert from the German Ocean Foundation Coffee break + Ocean Literacy Island
11H3O	SESSION 2: BRINGING THE OCEAN TO THE CLASSROOMS
	Discussion on best practices from teachers and educators in Europe and beyond in developing blue projects in their classrooms and communities, including the challenges they face and the ways forward:
	<ul> <li>Melita Mokos, Assistant Professor, University Zadar</li> <li>Francesca Santoro, Programme Specialist, IOC-UNESCO</li> <li>Irene Pateraki, Pedagogical Manager, European Schoolnet</li> <li>Christian Esteva Burgos, Project Manager, SeaTeach</li> <li>Rita Borges, Project Manager, Oceano Azul Foundation</li> <li>Fotigui Camara, Deputy-Mayor, Den Helder</li> <li>Facilitator: Rada Pandeva, Young Ocean Advocate</li> </ul>
12H30	Elevator pitch by Nathalie van Isacker from Seascape Belgium & EMODnet Lunch + Ocean Literacy Island







## 13H45 **OCEAN LITERACY QUIZ!** 14H00 **SESSION 3: ENGAGING THE WIDER PUBLIC IN OCEAN LITERACY** Discussion among artists, journalists, media, and influencers on how to best engage citizens and young people in ocean literacy: Margaux Vaghi, Talk C.E.C. • Louise Haxthausen, Director of the Liaison Office in Brussels and Representative to the EU, UNESCO • Adélaïde Charlier, Climate Activist • Stuart Reigeluth, Founder, REVOLVE • Greet Brauwers, Artist, Filmmaker and Journalist Facilitator: Valentina Lovat, IOC-UNESCO & Youth40cean 15H00 **SESSION 4: IMAGINING OUR FUTURE SUSTAINABLE OCEAN** Forward-looking session bringing together the ideas of children, young people, citizens and the audience, wishes/pledges from #MakeEUBlue net, outcomes of other European Ocean Days events as well as the visions of the EU Mission Ocean & Waters and the UN Decade of Ocean Science: Pegah Moulana, Advocacy Coordinator, Youth and Environment Europe Stephen Davis, Adviser, DG MARE - European Commission Maria Cristina Pedicchio, Board Member, EU Mission Ocean & Waters · Yolanda Sanchez, Marine Education Consultant • Gaëlle Haut, EU Affairs Coordinator, Surfrider Foundation Europe Facilitator: Stavriana Neokleous, Eurocean's Youth Ambassador 16H00 **CLOSING SESSION: DELIVERING OUR VISION** EU4Ocean Coalition: Olga Mashkina (ACTeon), Nathalie van Isacker (Seascape Belgium), Guillaume Lheureux (Nausicaa) & Evy Copejans (EMSEA) • Andreea Strachinescu, Head of Unit, DG MARE - European Commission 16H30 Networking coffee + Ocean Literacy Island







