

# **European Maritime Day**

# Events in Europe 2013

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#### France

Title: Territorial meeting of the Network of Straits

Date: 22 May 2013

Location: To be decided

Organiser: European Straits Initiative (ESI)

Website: www.europeanstraits.eu

Event description: Under the framework of NOSTRA (Network Of STRAits) Interreg IVC project, which is the first result of the European Straits Initiative, a territorial meeting will be organised on the territory of Pas-de-Calais (North part of France). Participants will be both actors and beneficiaries of the project.

Two-step approach of this territorial meeting:

- Identify good experiences to share with European partners: valorization of local practices

- Implement the good practices identified in the territory

This meeting intends to be a springboard for:

- Developing new projects;

- Collecting experiences for lobbying in favour of the specificity of the straits at the European level which is carried out in the framework of the European Straits Initiative (2014-2020 programming, integrated maritime policy).

#### Germany

Title: Masterplan Marine Biotechnology Schleswig-Holstein

Date: 24 May 2013

Location: Landtag Schleswig-Holstein (Parliament), Kiel, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany

Organiser: Ministry of Economic Affairs, Employment, Transport and Technology of Land Schleswig-Holstein Norgenta North German Life Science Agency

Website: http://schleswig-holstein.de/MWAVT/EN/MWAVT node.html, www.norgenta.de

Event description: The northern German federal state Schleswig-Holstein is known as "land between the seas". Its economy is closely linked to the North and the Baltic Sea. Marine Biotechnology as a future key technology is an integral part of it.

Within the SUBMARINER project, Norgenta generated a regional strategy for the development of marine biotechnology in Schleswig-Holstein. The process included identification of the main

industrial topics and markets (neutraceuticals, renewable energy, functional food, active pharmaceutical ingredients, and cosmetics) as well as academic topics (marine genomics, marine microbial diversity, biologically active substances, and biobanking). Stakeholder panels have been put in place, and called in to participate in this process. An overview of on-going projects, as well as products and services already on the market has been conducted. In addition, a SWOT analysis had been carried out and a set of future measures have been proposed.

Title: Legal Aspects of Blue Growth

Date: 22 May 2013

Location: University of Applied Sciences Bremerhaven, An der Karlstadt 8, Bremerhaven, Building "S", Room 207

Organiser: Institute for the Law of the Sea and International Marine Environmental Law (ISRIM)

Website: www.isrim.de; www.hs-bremerhaven.de

Event description: The event intends to raise awareness and to increase the understanding regarding the two "Blue Growth Focus Areas", i.e. "Marine mineral resources" and "Blue technology" according to the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, The European Economic and Social Committee of the Regions "Blue Growth - opportunities for marine and maritime sustainable growth" from 13 September 2012 (EU Doc. COM(2012) 494 final).

#### Greece

Title: European Maritime Day 2013 in Aegean Sea Islands

Date: (NC): 20-21/5. 2 (OD): 22/5. 3 (SC): 23-24/5

Location: 1: 20-21/5 GSAIP, Lesvos. 2: 22/5 Lesvos, Chios, OnBoard. 3: 23-24/5 UoA (Shipping & Tourism), Chios

Organiser: Hellenic Republic, Ministry of Shipping and Aegean, General Secretariat for the Aegean and Island Policy (GSAIP)

Website: www.ypai.gr (www.yen.gr, www.hcg.gr)

Event description: Multi-level event, with 3 parts: a) national conference on "The Role of IMP on Island Development", b) international on "IMP for Blue Growth & Blue Jobs on Islands", c) modular information day: OpenDay on University of Aegean (3 departments: Shipping & Tourism, Marine Science, Environment) located at 2 islands; Dissemination of information for the public at 2 ports & onboard 1 ferry en route; School visits by university students presenting a local maritime story.

Title: Beach Clean Up Action

Date: 21-22 May 2013

Location: Attica Region

Organiser: MEDITERRANEAN SOS Network (MedSOS)

Website: www.medsos.gr

Event description: The MEDITERRANEAN SOS Network (MedSOS) with the participation of the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (HCMR), and more specifically the PERSEUS EU project, the support of the Palaio Faliro Municipality and the cooperation of educational institutions (peripheral education offices and schools) is organising a clean up event on the Palaio Faliro coastal zone which will take place on the morning of Wednesday 22nd of May. MedSOS and HCMR will inform participants, among others students, volunteers, local organisations, on the pressures and issues surrounding our coasts and seas and train them so as with their guidance they will be able to carry out a beach clean up, whilst documenting the litter they gather as well as the natural characteristics of the area on Beach Observation Questionnaires (BOQs). Anyone can participate in the event which will be organised as part of the European Maritime Day celebration and of the 18th Clean up the Med campaign MedSOS is organising in 2013 from the 1st of May until the 10th of June 2013 with the participation of thousands of volunteers across Greece.

#### Ireland

Title: Streaming Sustainability in Aquaculture

Date: 25 May 2013

Location: Malahide, County Dublin, Ireland

Organiser: Federation of European Aquaculture Producers

Website: www.feap.info

Event description: To finalise and publicly launch the guiding principles of "Streaming Sustainability in Aquaculture" – five core values to ensure the future of European aquaculture – Launch of a European wide set of principles to guarantee that the next generation of European aquaculture producers inherit by ensuring that key sustainability issues are highlighted and promoted as central policy objectives by the industry and its representatives in dealing with the public, consumers, regulators and investors.

## Italy

Title: "Unity in diversity: the future cultural and economic bridge on the Mediterranean" Key issues: Maritime Traffics, Ports and Education

Date: 24 May 2013

Location: Naples, Castel dell'Ovo,

Organiser: International Propellers Club of Italy

Website:

Event description: The biannual convention of International Propellers Club is dedicated this year to the Mediterranean sea to try to discuss and establish an economic and cultural bridge over the area. A bridge that joins the various aspects of maritime traffic, culture and education could unify the different souls of the Mediterranean people. Key speakers will come from the business, institutional and academic community from both north and south Mediterranean. The event is organised in partnership with the Italian Maritime Cluster (Federazione del Mare), the City of Naples, the Region Campania and the local Chamber of Commerce.

Title: Sustainability of shipbuilding and yachting

Date: 22 May 2013

Location: Conference Hall of the Hydrodynamic Central at the Ancient Port of Trieste

Organiser: ICMP - Trieste

Website: www.icmp.porto.trieste.it

Event description:  $1^{st}$  session – problems :

Rules, codes, surveillance and controls (Italian Coast Guard Officer); Environmental impact of port activities (Port Authority of Triest); Maritime tourism a threats to the protected areas (WWF Italia); New skills need to protect maritime environment (progettoMare) 2nd session – solutions:

Ship design focused to the blue growth (Fincantieri); New technologies to mitigate the impact and reduce emissions (Wartsila Italia); Oil spill response by microbiological systems and ballast waters treatment (Oceanography Dep. of OGS); Waste water treatment on mega and maxy yachts (Waterloop System)

#### Malta

Title: Coastal Life

Date: 24 May 2013

Location: Il-Majjistral Nature and History Park + Ghajn Tuffieha

Organiser: Majjistral Nature and History Park

Website: www.majjistral.org

Event description: The Park will team up with adjacent coastal protected area managed by Gaia Foundation to bring an event to the public which will highlight different features of the Maltese northwest coast. The visit will start at Golden Bay to highlight the importance of coastal sand dunes as well as marine species and will proceed to visit a 17th century coastal Tower built by the Knights of St John. Followed by local organic olive tasting and a public lecture on marine life.

Title: Sunset shearwater boat trip

Date: 20 May 2013 at 18.00

Location: Ta' Cenc cliffs. Boat departing from Ramla Bay (in front of the Riviera Resort), Malta

Organiser: BirdLife Malta

Website: www.birdlifemalta.org

Event description: A guided boat to visit the Scopoli's Shearwater breeding colony at Ta' Cenc, Gozo (the most important colony for this bird in the Maltese Islands). The trip is intended as a demonstration of sensitive coastal wildlife tourism, highlighting interest and importance of this pelagic bird, potential threats (of insensitive tourism) and how to avoid negative impacts (e.g. disturbance to the birds during the breeding/chick-rearing period).

Title: Kids on the Coast

Date: 21 May 2013

Location: Golden Bay Mellieha, Malta

Organiser: Majjistral Nature and History Park

Website: www.majjistral.org

Event description: A morning activity aimed at schoolchildren to explore coastal life on a sandy beach -a habitat comprising less than 2% of the Maltese coastline.

#### Norway

Title: Dialogue conference - Antifouling in shipping

Date: 23 May 2013

Location: Haugesund, Norway

Organiser: Maritime CleanTech West

Website: www.mctw.no

Event description: Several companies and R&D-institutes are working on systems and different technologies to protect the ship, and in particular the hull of harmful fouling organisms. These technologies also have an indirect fuel saving effect. These technologies are often new and need to be demonstrated. At this event we plan to invite developers and suppliers of this technology to present their concept for ship owners and yards in order to find common interest in future collaboration.

Title: Environmental solutions for maritime activities

Date: 24 May 2013

Location: Norge

Organiser: Polytec R&D Institute

Website: www.polytec.no

Event description: The objective of the regional workshop will be focusing on technology that

reduces damaging emissions to air and sea from maritime activities ensuring more energy-optimized

management in the process. Securing access to research and expertise in specialized fields within the development off maritime environmental technology will be a key focus of the workshop.

### Romania

Title: Black Sea-Danube Social-Economic Innovation Forum

Date: 23-24 May 2013

Location: Romanian Banking Institute (Bucharest-Romania)

Organiser: EUROLINK - House of Europe Foundation

Website: www.HouseofEurope.ro

Event description: High Level Stakeholders Event - working and debate sections (Danubian and Coastal Tourism; Energy and Connectivity; Danubian Social Innovation); Project Market Place (face-to-face negotiations); Awarding Ceremony of the Trophies "Black Sea – Danubian Social & Economic Innovator - 2013"; Photo Exhibition "Austrian Dream". This event is the third edition of the celebration of European Maritime Day in Romania (since 2011).

#### Slovenia

Title: EU Maritime Law, Policy and the Adriatic Sea

Date: 24 May 2013

Location: Portoroz, Slovenia

Organiser: Maritime Law Association of Slovenia

Website: www.dpps-mlas.si/en/

Event description: The main goal of the event (roundtable) will be the presentation of the recently adopted Communication 'An EU Maritime Policy for the Adriatic and Ionian Seas.' Reference will be also made to the division of competencies between the EU and its member States in the field of maritime affairs. The roundtable will be followed by a presentation of a new consolidated version of the Maritime Code of the Republic of Slovenia (book). Speakers will include representatives from the Slovenian, Italian and Maltese Maritime Law Associations. Proceedings from previous events-roundtables (EU Maritime Days 2009-1012) may be found on the following link: www.dpps-mlas.si