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CINEA.D - Natural resources, climate, sustainable blue economy and clean energy **D.3 - Sustainable Blue Economy**

Synergies and Clustering between Maritime Projects (EASME/EMFF/2020/3.1.12) – SI2.850620

"Workshop on Financial engineering"

Location: Online (Zoom).

Link provided separately to registered participants.

Format: The workshop will take place in two parts, with the second being exclusively for networking

Timing: 10:00 – 13:00 CET, 5 May 2022

Moderator: Cogea

Registration link: https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/financial engineering

Workshop Objective:

The workshop seeks to address a shortcoming identified in many EMFF-funded projects, namely: what happens when the grant support ends?

Ideally, grants are awarded to innovative projects, products, and / or services that hold great potential, but are not yet sufficiently developed to enter the market or to raise capital from private investors. The purpose of a grant is to "nurture" these ideas until they grow mature and are ready to stand on their own feet.

However, for a number of reasons, several EMFF-funded projects often end up finishing with the grant itself. There is often limited consideration of sustaining or developing projects following grant funding.

Agenda

Chair: Alessandro PITITTO, Cogea

Part 1: Financial engineering challenges and options

10:00-10:05	Welcome and introduction Charlotte JAGOT, CINEA
10:05-10:10	Policy context and investment landscape Claus SCHULTZE, DG MARE
10:10-10:20	New technologies: funding opportunities and eligibility conditions Antonella CALVIA-GÖTZ / Alberto CASORATI, European Investment Bank
10:20-10:30	BlueInvest Renata ALMEIDA PELOSO, PwC Luxembourg
10:30-10:40	Funding engineering through TRLs Enric VILLARÍN, CorPower Ocean
10:40-10:50	<u>Digicirc</u> : Blue Economy Call María BERNABÉ, Centro Tecnológico Naval y del Mar
10:50-11:20	Panel discussion Gauthier CLAR, CINEA and Pierre ERWES, <u>Blue Forward Fund</u> ; Chair: Alessandro PITITTO, Cogea
11:20-11:35	Comfort Break

Part 2: Knowledge sharing and networking

11:35-11:40	Introduction to Part 2 Alessandro PITITTO, Cogea
11:40-12:25	Parallel breakout rooms* 1. Introduction to post-grant business planning (Moderator: Anna KĘSICKA, Cogea) 2. Getting market ready (Moderator: María BERNABÉ, Centro Tecnológico Naval y del Mar 3. Business valuation and equity investment (Moderator: Renata ALMEIDA PELOSO, PwC Luxembourg)
12:25-12:40	In plenary – Summary of discussions Reporting back from rapporteurs (Rod CAPPELL/Vincent DEFAUX/Wasseem EMAM, Poseidon)
12:40-12:45	Formal meeting close

 $^{^{*}}$ Project-beneficiaries will be assigned to breakout rooms, based on what reported on their registration forms.