

Discover and discuss innovative Blue Science concepts to advance Blue Growth with EuroMarine

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A EuroMarine event, entitled "Blue Science for Blue Growth: EuroMarine, connecting ideas and people" and hosted by MEP Ricardo Serrão Santos of the SEARICA Intergroup, will take place at the European Parliament in Brussels, Belgium, on 8 February 2017. This three-hour event will provide a platform to discuss the need for scientific research and integrative approaches to successfully tackle the marine related challenges society is facing.

This event takes place in conjunction with the EuroMarine General Assembly meeting, from 7-8 February 2017. EuroMarine is a consortium of research and academic organisations advancing marine science. Since 2014 EuroMarine has, with its limited budget, supported over 50 scientific activities to bring together more than 700 stakeholders to collectively address these challenges by understanding and building scenarios for marine systems under change, and developing marine science as a provider of new concepts and as a driver for innovation and technology. The work of EuroMarine will be placed in a wider context, connecting ideas with people to share, collaborate and push boundaries. Two panel discussions with diverse participants will bring together these concepts and highlight their importance to Blue Growth.

Dr Patrizio Mariani, EuroMarine Steering Committee Chair and Senior Researcher at the Technical University of Denmark, has acknowledged the endeavours needed to achieve this goal: "In an era of rapid transformations affecting our oceans, societies and life we are asked to provide the scientific knowledge necessary to face future challenges and to guarantee a sustainable future to the next generations".

The event is open to all those interested but advance registration is required. Please register online at: https://goo.gl/forms/d7x6O5Jol2ZknjaL2.

Find out more about the EuroMarine network by visiting www.euromarinenetwork.eu. See the latest event updates at www.euromarinenetwork.eu. See the latest event updates at www.euromarinenetwork.eu. See the latest event updates at www.euromarinenetwork.eu. See the latest event updates at www.euromarinenetwork.eu/activities/BSBG, or follow EuroMarine on twitter (www.euromarinenetwork.eu/activities/BSBG, or follow EuroMarine on twitter (www.euromarinenetwork.eu/activities/BSBG, or follow EuroMarine on twitter (www.eu/activities/BSBG, or follow EuroMarine on

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MEP Ricardo Serrão Santos is current member of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament. As Vice-Chair of the Seas, Rivers, Islands and Coastal Areas (SEARICA) Intergroup, he promotes European based marine science and its links to ocean governance.

EuroMarine is a European, marine science network launched in 2014. It represents the merger of the scientific communities of three former European Networks of Excellence: EUR-OCEANS, Marine Genomics Europe, and MarBEF. It was designed by the EuroMarine preparatory project (2011-13; funded under the seventh European Framework Programme) and has grown to 73 member organisations in 2016. AquaTT undertakes the communications aspects for the EuroMarine network.

