



Draft programme

Mission “Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030” Conference

Marseille, 13- 14 June 2022

13 June 2022

Side events organised by the of Aix-Marseille University

- *Launch of the Ocean Sciences Institute of Aix-Marseille University*
- *First meeting of the European Ocean Research and Education Alliance (EOREA)*

19:00-20:00: Opening Ceremony: Torchlight initiative at the Parc du Pharo

Welcome

- **Benoît Payan**, Mayor of Marseille
- **Young people's voices**
- **Kestutis Sadauskas**, Mission Manager and **John Bell**, Deputy Mission Manager
- **Karim Amellal**, Ambassador, interministerial delegate of the French Republic

Mediterranean lighthouse: a path from France to Italy

- **Renaud Muselier**, President of Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur region (to be confirmed)
- **Maria Cristina Messa**, Italian Minister for Universities and Research

20:00: Exhibition and Networking cocktail, Salle Eugénie, Palais du Pharo”



14 June 2022

How to engage with the Mission “Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030” –

A Mediterranean Lighthouse

Auditorium Gastaut room

Professional moderator: Christopher Burns

9:15-9:45 | Welcome and opening session

Eric Berton, President of Aix-Marseille University

Mariya Gabriel, Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth

Kestutis Sadauskas, Deputy Director-General, European Commission DG MARE, and Mission Manager Mission “Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030”

Olivier Poivre d’Arvor, Ambassador for the Poles and Maritime Affairs, France

Nasser Kamel, Secretary-General of the Union for the Mediterranean (TBC)

Benoît Payan, Mayor of Marseille (TBC)

09:45-10:30 | Session 1: Implementing the EU Mission “Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030”

John Bell, Director Healthy Planet, European Commission DG Research and Innovation, and Deputy Mission Manager Mission “Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030”

Tatjana Hema, Coordinator of UNEP/MAP-Barcelona convention

Catherine Chabaud, Member of the European Parliament

Geneviève Pons, Director General and Vice President

François HOULLIER, President and CEO of Ifremer

10:30-11:15 | Session 2: Towards the Mediterranean Lighthouse



Siri Granum Carson, Director of NTNU Oceans and member of the Ocean University Alliance

Isabelle Poitou, Director of Association MerTerre from Provence-Alpes Côte d'Azur region

Erik Orsenna, Chairman of the Initiatives for the Future of Great Rivers

Christophe Avellan, Director of Pôle Mer Méditerranée

Bukem Belen, Youth Ambassador from Turkey

Alessandra Sensi, head of sector Environment and Blue Economy at Union for the Mediterranean

11:15-11:30 | Coffee break

11:30-12:15 | Session 3: Mission Charter and regional engagement

Presentation of the Mission Charter by the **European Commission**

Gaetano Armao, Vice President of the Sicilian Region and Economy Councillor

Renaud Muselier, President of Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur region (TBC)

Phoebe Koundouri, Environmental Economics Professor and Director, Sustainable Development Unit and EIT Climate- KIC HUB Greece, ATHENA Information Technology Research Center

Maria Garcies i Ramon, Project & Policy Officer, Intermediterranean Commission at Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions

12:15-12:50 | Session 4: Mission for, with and by Youth

Mateja Grego, Scientific Associate at Slovenian National Institute of Biology

Elyne Dugeny, Youth Ambassador from Toulon

Inès Boujmil, Youth Ambassador from Tunisia and winner of BlueMed Hackathon

Selma Menabit, Youth Ambassador from Romania

Martino Kuntze, from Youth4Ocean Forum

Yi hyun Kang, Postdoctoral researcher, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, Belgium



12:50-13:20 | Conclusion

Maria Cristina Messa, Italian Minister for Universities and Research

Denis Robin, French General Secretary of the Sea (TBC)

Karim Amellal, Ambassador, interministerial delegate of the French Republic to the Mediterranean

13:30: NETWORKING LUNCH

14:30: Side event Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership (SBEP) workshop