



Marine Beacon

MONITORING & ELIMINATION OF BYCATCH
OF ENDANGERED & CONSERVED SPECIES
IN THE NE & HIGH SEAS ATLANTIC REGION

Annual Meeting – 1st to 3rd April 2025

Agenda*

Venue: [InnovOcean campus](#), Ostend, Belgium

Online Plenary session access via Microsoft Teams ([meeting link to be provided](#))

The meeting will operate on a hybrid format basis. Sessions highlighted in green will be streamed on-line for remote participants.

All times are in CET

*Please note this agenda may still be subject to slight changes before the meeting.

Tuesday 1st April

Time	Session	Comments
11:30	Meeting organisation committee setup	
13:30	Arrival and registration	Tea/Coffee available
14:00	Introduction and Welcome	
14:10	Meeting Objectives & Progress so far	Speaker – Julia
14:20	Overviews of other projects of interest	Sofie Derycke (ILVO): Automatic eDNA collection for improved fisheries management Lancelot Blondeel (ILVO): VISTools. Fishing vessels as automatic data-gathering platforms a win-win for fishers and scientists Klaas Deneudt (VLIZ): Introduction to related biodiversity projects Marco Bolo and DTO-BioFlow Emanuela Fanelli (LIFE PROMETHEUS): The activities of LIFE PROMETHEUS to reduce the by-catch of threatened elasmobranchs in the Mediterranean Sea
15:15	Coffee Break	Tea/coffee provided
15:45	WP3	WP Lead
16:15	WP4	WP lead
16:45	Dissemination etc (WP2)	Keegan



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Parallel sessions				
17:15	Task 3.1 data collation	Additional break out space available for ad-hoc meetings	Additional break out space available for ad-hoc meetings	

Wednesday 2nd April

				Comments
9:00	Arrival and registration			
9:20	Welcome to Day 2			Speaker - Julia
9:30	WP5			Speaker – WP Lead
10:00	WP6			Speaker – WP Lead
10:30	Overview of other projects of interest cont..			Esther Beukhof (DTU): From bycatch to litter: documenting the ecological impacts of fishing in Europe
10:45	Coffee Break			Tea/coffee provided
11:30	WP7			Speaker – WP Lead
12:00	WP8			Speaker – WP Lead
12:30	Project collaboration (REDUCE + CIBRRiNA etc)			Speaker – Julia & Sebastian briefly highlight some of the work we have done over the last year working together + future possibilities including Springer book proposal
12:50	Lunch			Lunch provided
Parallel sessions				
14:00	WP3 catch up (All WP3 members) Further break out for 3.2 SDM	WP6 catch up – <i>focus on 18M milestones</i>	Additional break out space available for ad-hoc meetings	
15:00	Coffee Break			Tea/coffee provided
15:30	WP8 stakeholder platform & dissemination plan (WP leads + WP8 members) 1.5 hours	ECRs (<i>post-docs and PhDs</i>)	Additional break out space available for ad-hoc meetings	



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17:00	Steering group planning for 18M reporting (<i>Steering group members</i>)		Additional break out space available for ad-hoc meetings	
Group dinner				

Thursday 3rd April

				Comments
9:00	Arrival and registration			
9:30	Welcome to Day 3			Speaker - Julia
9:40	Data Management			Speaker – Julia
10:00	Active selectivity (<i>WP5+6</i>)	Advisory committee (catch up on-line for feedback from meeting?)	WP4 meeting (WP4 members)	
11:00	Coffee Break			Tea/coffee provided
11:30	WP7 tools discussion (<i>WP7</i>)	eDNA chat (<i>WP3 and 5</i>)	Additional break out space available for ad-hoc meetings	
12:30	What next – planning for the coming year including highlighting financial and project reporting at end of 18M			Speaker –Julia
13:00	Wrap up and close			Speaker – Julia
13:15	Lunch			Lunch provided People free to leave at any point from this time



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