



EMSEA 2017

Draft Programme

Saturday 7 October 2017

09:00-16:00 Teachers' Training Seminar

Opening:

Karmenu Vella (via video message)
EU Commissioner for the Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Theme:

Promoting a further penetration of Ocean Literacy in School Curricula: challenges and opportunities

Venue: Malta National Aquarium, Qawra, sponsor of the event

Sunday 8 October 2017

08:30-18:00 Gozo Field Trip

18:00-20:00 ice-breaker session (welcome drink and quiz) *sponsored by the Ministry for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change (MSDEC)*

Monday 9 October 2017

Venue: University of Malta Valletta Campus, St Paul's Street, Valletta

- 08:30** Registration
- 09:00** Video Message/Address by Karmenu Vella
EU Commissioner for the Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
- Opening:*
Maltese Minister for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change (MSDEC)
and
Dr Therese Comodini Cachia, MEP
and
Professor Alfred J Vella, Rector, University of Malta
- 09:15** Opening Addresses by EMSEA and local Organising Committee (Professor Alan Deidun, main convenor – University of Malta); Ms Fiona Crouch, EMSEA)
- 09:30** *Keynote Speech:*
Dr Awni Behnam
Honorary President of the International Ocean Institute
- 10:00** Summary of outcome of Teachers' Training Seminar
Professor Paul J Pace (University of Malta); Francesca Santoro (UNESCO-IOC); teachers and students from the Our Ocean conference
Overview of One Ocean Conference Proceedings and School Projects, Challenges faced by schools in promoting OL
- 11:00** **Coffee Break**
- 11:30** Two concurrent Plenary Sessions (*six presentations in each session*) covering the following topics:
- The digital age of Ocean Literacy
 - Ocean and Human Health
- 13:30** **Standing Lunch**
- 14:30** Workshop sponsored by the *Environment and Resources Authority (ERA)* and the *Ministry for Sustainable Development, Environment and Climate Change (MSDEC)*, Malta on the following thematic:

- Lost in translation: How the scientific outputs from EU-Funded Projects can contribute to Ocean Literacy

15:30 Technology corner – overview of different Ocean Literacy tools available online through a number of 10 sponsored tablets –

- HAB ebook (SeaChange)
- MOOC

16:30 **Coffee Break**

17:00-18:00 Flash Poster Presentations

19:30 **Optional Conference Dinner** (venue and fees still to be confirmed)
(*not included in Registration Fee*)

Tuesday 10 October 2017

Venue: University of Malta Valletta Campus, St Paul's Street, Valletta

09:00 *Keynote Speech:*
Dr Alessio Satta
Mediterranean Sea and Coast Foundation (MedSea)
EMSEA in the Mediterranean – penetration of ocean literacy initiatives within the Mediterranean

09:30 *EMSEA in the Mediterranean: Overview of progress so far from the EMSEA-MED Network*
Melita Mokos, Martha Papathanassiou

10:00 Ecoschool Network – Youth Summit
Screening of short documentary demonstrating the gist of the Youth Summit being held on 03.10.17 and reading by students of Declaration on the Oceans

10:30 **Coffee Break**

11:00 Overview of Our Ocean conference school projects by invited teachers and students

12:00 Open Space sessions

14:00 **Standing Lunch**

15:00 *Keynote Speech:*
Professor Evangelos Papathanassiou
Research Director, HCMR

The contribution of OL in a landscape dominated by Blue Growth

- 15:30** Two concurrent Plenary Sessions (*six presentations in each session*) covering the following topics:
- future scenarios and roles for Ocean Literacy
 - Open Session (*presentations which do not fit in any of the other 3 thematic sessions*)
- 17:00** **Coffee Break**
- 17:30** **EMSEA 2018 Announcement**
- 18:00** Closure of Conference
- 18:30** Screening of 'Plastic Ocean' conference documentary, courtesy of US Embassy in Malta

7 June 2017