



## Newsletter September 2017

Welcome to the relaunch edition of the SUBMARINER Network newsletter. We have expanded our newsletter to contain a greater variety of features. Alongside the news items from our projects and members, you will now find a few more in-depth pieces. Our new lead article sheds light on a topical issue of great importance to the work of the Network. The "members' corner" is a platform for voices directly from the members. Don't forget to check our events calendar, now with an added "featured event" in each edition. Communication with our members and stakeholders is very important to us. If you would like to get in touch, please email [newsletter@submariner-network.eu](mailto:newsletter@submariner-network.eu). We hope you enjoy this edition!

Greetings from the SUBMARINER Network communications team.

## Bringing our actors together and creating synergies



A lot has happened in the four years since the **1st SUBMARINER Conference** was held in Gdańsk in September 2013 to mark the launch of the **SUBMARINER Roadmap** and the network itself. Together with the active support of its members, the SUBMARINER Network has been able to secure more than €18 million of funding for a whole set of projects such as Baltic Blue Growth, the Baltic Blue Biotechnology Alliance, InnoAquaTech, Smart Blue Regions, MUSES and Baltic RIM. These projects allow us to reach our aims to commercialise innovative blue ideas such as large-scale mussel cultivation, marine biobased product development or recirculating aquaculture systems and promote cross-sectoral and multi-actor combinations at regional, national and transnational scale.

The **2nd SUBMARINER Conference 'Better off Blue'**, will take place in Berlin on 27th-28th September 2017 and marks another milestone in the work of the SUBMARINER Network.

Bringing together a broad range of actors from within the network, its projects and beyond, the 'Better off Blue' Conference will provide a unique opportunity to take stock of advances made in various fields, including critically reviewing on-going or new challenges and possible solutions. Fostering dialogue and networking between stakeholders and coming together to agree on next steps and responsibilities on the path to sustainable blue growth are other important aspects of the conference.

We hope that you will be able to join us in Berlin to gain insights, discover new contacts and new ideas, which will inspire and motivate you in your work towards promoting the blue-green economy.

**Angela Schultz-Zehden**  
Managing Director



### We are hiring: join our secretariat's team

We currently have two open positions in our network secretariat's team. Are you our new programme manager/senior blue bioeconomy expert or our new project manager/consultant? Check our job openings and apply now!



### The Alliance is growing: become a part of it!

20 great ideas for new marine biobased products and services are already part of the Baltic Blue Biotechnology Alliance ... could yours be next? Submit your idea by 2 October 2017 and join our free mentoring programme.

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## Join the InnoAquaTech matchmaking event during Aquaculture Europe!

Stakeholders of innovative aquaculture from the South Baltic area are kindly invited to exchange their ideas and gain business contacts.

The InnoAquaTech team is holding a matchmaking event during the Aquaculture Europe 2017 conference in Dubrovnik, Croatia on 18 October 2017.

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## The 2nd International Conference of Marine Fungal Natural Products held in Kiel

Hosted by GEOMAR Centre for Marine Biotechnology (GEOMAR-Biotech)/Research Unit Marine Natural Products Chemistry, the conference assembled 13 different nationalities of leading international experts on marine fungal natural products.

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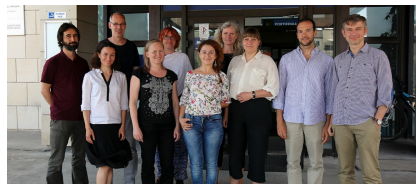
## Consultation Seminar of Blue Growth Stakeholders in Pomorskie

Within the framework of the Smart Blue Regions project, Maritime Institute in Gdańsk together with Pomorskie in the EU Association organised a consultation seminar of Pomeranian Blue Growth stakeholders.

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The Smart Blue Regions also project sparked up a lot of interest at the **Smart Regions 2.0 Conference** with over 850 professionals in Helsinki.

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## 2nd ICES Workshop on DEveloping Integrated AdviCE for Baltic Sea ecosystem-based fisheries management held at NMFRI in Gdynia

The ICES WKDEICE workshop focused on progress towards integrated ecosystem assessments. This initiative was triggered by the need for more comprehensive advice that considers environmental and socioeconomic conditions and uses novel modelling multi-species and ecosystem modelling approaches.

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## Further News

- **Work on the European Standard for labelling of distribution units and pallets in the trade of fish and seafood products.** [Read more](#)
- **Gulborgsund Zoo Pilot - a (fishy) tale of technology transfer.** [Read more](#)
- **German scientists working on revolutionary vaccines for fish aquaculture.** [Read more \(in German\)](#)

### Members' Corner

## Schleswig-Holstein as model maritime region

Back in 2004, the State Government of Schleswig-Holstein set up the „Sea Our Future“ initiative, the building block of our maritime governance. With Sea Our Future we attempt to gather all maritime initiatives in research, environment and economy under one umbrella. This enables the different Ministries in Schleswig-Holstein



to better cooperate on common issues, such as marine ammunition or marine biotechnology.

One important part of our maritime governance is the strong cluster policy in Schleswig-Holstein. There is a mutual understanding and support between clusters and ministries, resulting in robust regional policies. Clusters cover the entire value chain, and we have a particularly strong maritime cluster, including networks such as the Kompetenznetzwerk Aquakultur (KNAQ) bringing together a wide variety of actors in the field of aquaculture.

The Schleswig-Holstein maritime action plan will be revised next year, setting us up as a model maritime region with a wide range of on-going and planned maritime projects in the region.

**Steffen Lüsse**

dpt. Head of Unit "Technology Policy and Technology Transfer", Ministry of Economic Affairs Schleswig-Holstein

**2ND SUBMARINER Conference**

**Better  
off Blue**

Berlin, 27–28 September 2017

Creating synergies for a biobased society

Featured event

**Better Off Blue - Creating synergies for a biobased society**

Register now for the second SUBMARINER conference "Better off Blue" taking place in Berlin, Germany on **27-28 September 2017**! The conference aims to unite actors from the public, private and research domain working towards a blue bioeconomy throughout the Baltic Sea Region to showcase advances, to create synergies and stimulate active cooperation between the multitude of ongoing projects and initiatives in the region.

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## Upcoming events

**18th International Conference on Diseases of Fish and Shellfish**

04 September – 08 September 2017, Belfast, United Kingdom

**World Seafood Congress 2017**

10 - 13 September 2017, Reykjavík, Iceland

**19th International Exhibition and Conferences BALTEXPO**

11 September – 13 September 2017, AmberExpo, Gdańsk, Poland

**South Baltic GreenTech 2017**

12 September 2017, Roskilde, Denmark

**Nordic Life Science Days 2017**

12 September – 14 September 2017, Malmö, Sweden

**MeLA – Agricultural Exhibition Mecklenburg-Vorpommern**

14 September – 17 September 2017

MAZ – Messe- und Ausstellungszentrum Mühlengeez, Güstrow, Germany

**Matchmaking workshop on Nordic-Baltic water business cooperation**

20 September 2017 in Submarina, Turku, Finland

**52nd European Marine Biology Symposium**

25 September – 29 September 2017 Grand Hotel Bernardin, Portorož, Slovenia

**Rendez-vous de Concarneau 2017**

25 September – 26 September 2017 Marine Station of Concarneau, Concarneau, France

**2nd SUBMARINER Conference: Better Off Blue - Creating synergies for a bio-based society**

27 September – 28 September 2017 Representation of the Land Schleswig-Holstein to the Federal Government, Berlin, Germany

**Baltic Clean Technology – Conference for sustainable solutions**

28 September – 29 September 2017 HanseMesse, Rostock, Germany

**BioMarine Business Convention 2017: Grab the Opportunities**

01 October – 03 October 2017 Hotel Rimouski, Rimouski, Canada

**DanAqua 2017**

11 October – 12 October 2017 Aalborg Congress & Culture Center, Aalborg, Denmark

**MSP for Blue Growth – How to plan for a sustainable Blue Economy**

11 October – 12 October 2017 Brussels, Belgium

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