



## Mission Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030

### Deploying Mission Ocean and Waters across cities, ports and fleets

#### The Shared Transition Plan of Mayors

26 June 2023

#### Ocean Race - The Grand Finale – Ocean Live Park, Genova

The event is organised by the European Commission and the Municipality of Genova, with the support of the LIFE4MEDECA Preparatory Project and the BlueMissionMed Co-ordination and Support Action, as part of the celebrations for the Ocean Race Grand Finale (24 June - 2 July at the Ocean Live Park of Genova).

The aim of this event is to further disseminate the **EU Mission ‘Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030’** and engage with a broad range of stakeholders from **waterfront cities, ports and fleets**. In particular, the event will **launch the Shared Transition Plan of Mayors for the Mission** as a good practice showcasing how Cities and Competent Authorities can **actively cluster a broad range of actors** (shipowners, ports, green technology providers, fishermen, maritime tourism/leisure organisation and boat license & seafarers course providers) **in the common deployment of the Mission Implementation Plan**. It will also focus on how different types of **fleets, ports and the shipping sector with its many activities** contribute to support the implementation of the Mission Ocean and Waters.

The Italian Navy’s training ship *Palinuro* will be accessible to delegates at the end of the event.

The next day (27 June) the final Ocean Summit will be held which, ending the Genoa Process, will lead to the draft **principles of the Declaration of Ocean Rights** that will be presented to the **United Nations** General Assembly, in New York, in September 2023.



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### PROGRAMME

**26 JUNE** *Ocean Race – The Grand Finale – Ocean Live Park, Genoa  
Jean Nouvelle Pavillon – Mezzanino Terrace*

**10:00 - 12:30** **Arrival of hosts and tour of the Ocean Live Park** (the sustainability pavilion, the sustainability village, Ocean Race sailing boats) **and of the Ocean Race Grand Finale**

**13:00** **Speakers working lunch (Mezzanino terrace - restricted participation)**

**14:00** **Registration (Mezzanino meeting room)**

**14:30** **Welcome and introduction**

- *Marco Bucci, Mayor of Genova*
- *Roberta Metsola, President of the European Parliament* (video message)
- *Antonio Tajani, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Italy* (video message)
- *Marco Campomenosi, Member of the European Parliament*
- *Kestutis Sadauskas, Deputy Director General DG MARE, Mission Manager*
- *Luca Dal Fabbro, President of Gruppo IREN*

**15:00 – 15:30** **The Shared Transition Plan of Mayors: a best practice for the Mission “Restore our Ocean & Waters by 2030”.**

- **Outline of the Transition Plan of Mayors for Mission Ocean**  
*Stefania Manca – Municipality of Genova*
- **Supporting the transition of Municipalities**  
*Thomas Van Gilst, European Investment Bank*
- **The voice of Mayors**

*Members of the Coalition of Mayors from Italy and Spain and the Fundacion Philippe Cousteau are given the diploma by **Marco Bucci** (Mayor of Genova) and **Salvatore Quinci** (Mayor of Mazara del Vallo)*



## 15:30-17:15 Deploying the Mission: the role of shipping, ports and fleets

- **Opening**  
*Edoardo Rixi, Vice Minister of Infrastructure and Transport*
- **Mission Ocean & Waters and the Navy**  
*Massimiliano Nannini, Commanding Admiral, Italian Navy Hydrographic Institute*
- **Mission Ocean & Waters and the Coast Guard**  
*Sergio Liardo, Commanding Admiral of the Genova Harbour, Italian Coast Guard*
  
- **Panel discussion on leading actions for Mission Ocean and Waters by 2030**
  
- **Introduction**  
*Elisabetta Balzi, Head of Unit Healthy Ocean and Seas, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission*

**Shipowners & Ports:** *Andrea Zito* Swan Hellenic, *Michele Francioni* MSC Cruises, *Stefano Messina* Messina Group, *Figen Ayan* MEDCRUISE, *Paolo Emilio Signorini* port of Genoa, *Francescalberto De Bari* port of Livorno.

**Mediterranean Initiatives & Fishermen:** *Leonardo Manzari* WESTEMED, *Gilberto Ferrari* Mediterranean Advisory Council, *Suzan Kholeif* PROMEC UN Ocean Decade, *Antonio Novellino* ETT

**Sport&Leisure, Education & Future Workforce:** *Antonietta De Falco*, Federazione Italiana Vela, Ministry of Education tbc, *Angela Di Febbraro* University of Genova, *Manuel Picardi* European Driving Schools Association

## 17:15 Conclusions

*Marco Campomenosi, Member of the European Parliament*  
*John Bell, Director DG RTD, Deputy Mission Manager, European Commission*  
(video message)

**17:30 – 19:00 Visit on board *Palinuro* boat (sailing training ship of Italian Navy) and aperitif**