# Observatory for Sustainable Blue Economy Staff Week

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## General information

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| Hosting Institution: | University of Malta, Valletta campus |
| Staff Week Title | OSBE Staff Week |
| Abstract: (few lines describing the staff week that SEA-EU partners can use for dissemination) | The Staff Week on Blue Economy gathers researchers with the final aim to develop a common framework for longitudinal research on blue economy topics within the SEA-EU. In order to establish a solid foundation for discussion, the meeting aims to stimulate a broader reflection on definitions and methodological approaches, proceeding with the identification of the common research areas for collaboration of the researchers in OSBE. The participants are invited to present their existing research on the blue economy, while a specific section is dedicated for the human resource management in the blue economy. The first set of activities serves to establish a common ground for the second set of activities which are dedicated to the projection of the topics for common research projects and papers. The emphasis is on defining and delineating the roles of stakeholders within OSBE. The meeting wraps up with reflections on the OSBE webpage and the planning of upcoming activities.<br><br>The Staff Week will coincide with the 'Being SEA-EU' Conference, and arrangements will be made to ensure that OSBE Staff Week participants can both deliver and attend presentations on topics related to the Blue Economy during the conference. |
| Application details and deadline | Deadline: 17th of May 2024<br><br>Link:  Register here |
| Dates of the staff week | 10-12th of June 2024 |

| Number of participants | Each SEA-EU 2.0 university can propose up to 3 participants. |
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| Mobility costs | SEA-EU Budget / Erasmus KA1 |
| Contact | SEA-EU Office at UM<br><br>[sea-eu@um.edu.mt](mailto:sea-eu@um.edu.mt) |

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| Target group / Expected profile of participants | Observatory of Sustainable Blue Economy Nominees |
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| Requirements | B1 English |
| Agenda | **Day 1 – 10th June 2024**<br><br>● Welcome and opening<br>● Presentation by Dr. Stephanie Vella Malta National Hub, WestMed Initiative<br>  ○ Introduction to OSBE with Organization<br>  ○ Website<br>● Definition, methodology and topics of the Blue Economy<br>● Presentation from maltese local stakeholders (tbc)<br>● Identification of common research areas in the Blue Economy<br>● Project fair 1. Presentation of current research projects and discussion on the blue Economy<br><br>**End of Day One Group Photo**<br><br>**Day 2 – 11th June 2024**<br><br>**9:00 - 12:30 Guided Tour of Valletta**<br><br>Meeting point in front of Phoenicia Hotel for a walking tour of Valletta, the capital city of Malta.<br><br>During this tour, participants will be able to learn more about the history of Valletta by walking along its main thoroughfares, as well as enjoy a beautiful view of the Grand Harbour from the Upper Barrakka Garden. Included is also a visit to the National Museum of Archaeology.<br><br>**Lunch at Valletta Campus** |

|  | • Project Fair 2. HRM for the Blue Economy<br>• Project Fair 3 Development of the common research project proposals of OSBE<br>• Identification of the OSBE research papers<br><br>**17:30 - 18:30 Guided Walking Tour** Upper/Lower Barrakka<br>Socio-economic activities and pressures in Grand Harbour **- TBC**<br><br> **Day 3 – 12th June 2024**<br><br>• Stakeholders mapping methodology for OSBE<br>• OSBE research on the webpage<br>• How to improve the OSBE webpage: suggestions<br>• Glossary for the OSBE webpage<br>• Next steps: OSBE planning/outputs for the project period |
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## Practical information

| Accommodation | ☐ 'BEING SEA-EU' Conference - Welcome to Malta |
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| Address of the course | Valletta Campus |
| Important Information | Please remember to bring sunscreen, a hat, and stay well hydrated during the walking tour, as Malta experiences very high temperatures during this time of year. |

| **How to join the staff week:** |
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| If you are interested in joining this staff week, please contact:<br><br>SEA-EU Office at your University<br><br>SEA-EU Office : sea-eu@um.edu.mt<br><br>— Or —<br><br>The organizers of the staff week invite you to fill in the following form if you are interested in joining in: Register here<br><br>Please contact the people in charge of mobility within your own institution to apply |

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