

# DRAFT AGENDA OCEANIDS Workshop: Shaping the Future of Resilient and Inclusive Coastal Societies

11 March 2025, Port of Antwerp, Belgium ( *Zaha Hadidplein 1, 2030  
Antwerpen, Belgium* )

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09:30 – 10:00	Registration & Coffee	
10:00-11:30	<b>I. Introductory Part</b>	
10:00-10:10	<b>Welcome by Port authority Antwerp</b>	Vice Mayor, Johann Klaps (TBC)
10:10-10:30	<b>Short introduction by NEREUS &amp; CDP</b>	NEREUS & CDP
10:30-10:40	<b>Short Introduction on the project’s strategic objectives and state of play</b>	Geosystems Hellas coordinator – <b>Betty Charalampopoulou</b>
10:40-11:30	<b>Setting the ground for the thematic panels (Scientific and technological findings/tools)</b>	<b>by OCEANIDS partners</b>
	<b>EO for the port of the future</b> (Operations planning with seamless forecasting: weather, seasonal and climate information downscaled for each port - wind, temperature and precipitation extremes preparedness)	<b>Joris Jaruschewski, OHB</b> <b>Mikko Strahlendorff, FMI- Finnish Meteorological Institute</b>
	<b>The blue-green port and citizens interactions</b>	<b>DG MARE Policy Officer - Hatziyianni Eleni</b>

	<b>Digitization and cloud infrastructure</b>	<b>Joris Jaruschewski, OHB</b>
	<b>The port economy and jobs growth</b>	<b>Betty Charalampopoulou and the ports of Herakleion/Malaga</b>
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<b>II. Views by different user groups about OCEANIDS and their expectations</b>	
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<b>Empowering Policy Through User-Driven Tools: Climate-Informed Maritime Spatial Planning for the Blue Economy and Coastal Resilience</b>	Round table with the <b>public authorities</b>
<b>12.30-13:10</b>	<b>OCEANIDS Advisory Board short talks</b>	Francois Soulat, Space Oceanography & Maritime Services, Oceanography Operations Department at CNES
		Alejandro J.Roman M, General Director of Aerospace Development, Paraguay
		Dr Sagi Dalyot, TECHNION, Crowdsourcing and citizen science on usability aspects of GIS, Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI) and environmental information
<b>13:10-13:30</b>	<b>Q&amp;A</b>	

13:30 -14:30	Lunch break	
14:30-15:30	<b>III. Part: Views by Industry and Academia about OCEANIDS and their expectations</b>	
	<b>Inclusive Innovation:</b> How OCEANIDS Tools Shape the Future of Sustainable Coastal Communities	<b>Round table</b> with the industry (SMEs, companies) and universities/research centres
15:30-15:40	<b>Q&amp;A</b>	
15:40-15:50	<b>Closing session:</b> Outlook to the future by NEREUS/CDP	
15:50	<b>End of OCEANIDS WORKSHOP</b>	

## Background

### Objectives of the Workshop

This 1-day workshop has the overall objective to promote and present the OCEANIDS first deliverables towards potential users from the public and private sector but also to raise awareness to key EU policy stakeholders and relevant associations. Thus, it will **serve advocacy purposes towards public users (local and regional authorities) and private entities e.g. discuss how to facilitate the development of a more resilient and inclusive coastal society through enhanced seascape management that is better informed and integrated.**

In a nutshell the conference will:

- Raise awareness about OCEANIDS tools and results to regional and local authorities; ports and industry
- Discuss at a political level how Copernicus data and integrated applications can benefit local and regional authorities and EU citizens, based on the OCEANIDS results
- Serve as platforms for broader public discourse on research and development within OCEANIDS and the broader industrial community
- Demonstrate to a wider audience of non-specialist stakeholders the tangible impacts of OCEANIDS on their everyday lives

### Logistics

- Conference language: **English**
- Date: **11 March 2025**
- Workshop style: **In presence event: Zaha Hadidplein 1, 2030 Antwerpen**
- Duration: **10.00 am- 15.50 pm (Brussels time)**

Workshop comprised of **a)** the presentation of the OCEANIDS solution, **b)** round tables with the port authorities, industry, other maritime initiatives; and **c)** an open discussion between experts and audience to gather input on current and future needs in terms of maritime services that could be fostered, implemented and integrated into the climate adaptation strategies.

## Target Audience

- **Regional representatives** based in Brussels
- **High-level EU representatives** from relevant institutions (**European Commission - DG GROW** and **DG MARE**, the **European Parliament-ITRE** and **REGIO Committee**, the **Committee of the Regions**)
- Representatives from **private sector** (start-ups and companies, Oil/gas and shipping industries, Off-shore industries)
- **Sectorial users** (Port Authorities, Port Operators, Local/Regional Public Administrations of the vicinity of the ports, Coast guards, coastal/nautical tourism associations, Environmental protection Agencies)
- **Research Centres & Academia**
- Representatives from **relevant stakeholder associations** (such as **CPMR**, the **Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions**, **AER-Association of European Regions**)
- Representatives from **Mercator Ocean, Entrusted Entity for CMEMS**
- Representatives from **other maritime initiatives (Marine EO, Atlantic Regional Initiative)**

## The project

**OCEANIDS** stands for creating tools and applications driven by users. These tools focus on Climate-Informed Maritime Spatial Planning and integrated seascape management, all aiming to contribute to a resilient and inclusive Blue Economy.

The overall project objective is to develop the tools and applications that enable a more resilient and inclusive society in coastal regions via better-informed and integrated seascape management.

The central concept is to collect, harmonize, and curate existing climate data services, making data accessible, reusable, and interoperable for developing local adaptation strategies.

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