



ERASMUS+ BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME 2024

Title: First EUNICoast Summit: Introduction and Working Group Formation

Virtual Workshop date: 27 September 2024

Presential workshop:

- Location: Campus UIB, Palma
- Dates: 11– 15 November 2024
- Duration: 5 days, Monday to Friday
- Time: 9:30 to 17:30 (except Friday until 14:00)

Numbers of Instructors: 12

Numbers of Learners: 65*

Number of Partner Institutions: 12

*Based on 5 learners/institution and 1 learner/HUB. Perhaps not all Institutions have learners for all 5 HUBs.

Objectives and Description

The BIP pursues to be a crucial starting point and a landmark event in EUNICoast collaborative efforts towards educational and research excellence. It is designed to foster deep collaboration and innovation across our universities. Through a mix of online and in-person activities, we aim to enhance our collective expertise through the creation of the 5 teaching and research HUBs as future knowledge-creation teams. It also aims to consolidate a unique European community of educators and researchers devoted to the study and enhancement of our coastal territories.

The European University alliance, EUNICoast, is formed by the following universities:

HA: Aland University of Applied Sciences

BFU: Burgas Free University

EMUNI: EMUNI University

UA : University of the Antilles

ULHN: Université Le Havre Normandie

UNISS: University of Sassari

Uac: University of the Azores

UIB: University of the Balearic Islands

UNIDU: University of Dubrovnik

UPATRAS: University of Patras

HOST: Stralsund University of Applied Sciences

ZUT: West Pomeranian University of Technology in Szczecin

The University of the Faroe Islands (SETUR) will also take part in the BIP as third country.

Methods and Outcomes

The BIP combines online and in-person activities to enhance collaboration and innovation. The initial virtual workshop focuses on sharing research and educational experiences across five scientific domains. The presential BIP in Palma will deepen these collaborations through presentations and Working Group sessions focused on specific academic areas.

Virtual Workshop

Date: 27 September 2024

Time: 13:00 - 18:30

Sessions:

- 13:00 - 13:30: Welcome and Presentation of EUNICoast
- 13:30 - 15:30: Domain-specific sessions (5 Domains Identity and Local Knowledge, Logistics, Governance, Monitoring, Health, Biodiversity, Data-driven Solutions)
- 15:30 - 16:00: Break
- 16:00 - 18:00: Continuation of Domain-specific sessions
- 18:00 - 18:30: Conclusion

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Day-by-Day Overview:

- Day 1: Introduction, Presentation of Work Packages (WPs), Formation of Working Groups
- Day 2: WP Presentations, Working Group Meetings
- Day 3: Continued WP Presentations, Working Group Meetings
- Day 4: Group Preliminary Conclusions, Debate
- Day 5: Collective Decisions, Lunch Break and Farewell

Key Activities:

- Instructors' Presentations of WPs
- Formation of Working Groups for focused discussions
- Preliminary conclusions and debates
- Collective decision-making

Scientific Domains:

- Identities, Local Knowledge, and Cultural Heritage
- Blue Circular Economy, Port Logistics, Sustainable Blue Tourism
- Governance, Planning, Management, and Monitoring
- Health, Biodiversity Protection, Nature-based Solutions
- Engineered and Data-driven Solutions for Coastal Infrastructures

Methodology and Expected Outcomes

General Objectives:

Instructing our universities' communities on the formation and long term objectives of our alliance considering the ultimate goals:

- Establish a European University model promoting European values.
- Develop a shared campus with tailored educational proposals.
- Enhance educational, research, and social engagement.

Methodology.

After the instruction parts, the working groups will exchange information and try to answer the following questions:

1. Identify common activities in education, research, and social engagement.
2. Discuss distinctive activities at each university and how they complement others.
3. Explore ways to enhance current activities and collective efficiency.
4. Define future directions for education, research, and social engagement.

Preparation for Learners:

- Study a copy of Part B of the submission project and EMUNI's conclusions on Blue Skills.
- Prepare a mapping of curricula/research on coastal territories in their respective universities. This information will be attained from each partner's website, together with information provided by the Heads of the different departments.

Specific learning outcomes

- **Networking for HUB Creation:**
 - Establish and strengthen networks among academics from all partner universities.
 - Initiate and participate in the creation of the 5 researcher and educational HUBS focused on:
 - Identities, Local Knowledge, and Cultural Heritage in Islands & Coastal Communities.
 - Blue Circular Economy, Port Logistics, and Sustainable Blue Tourism.
 - Governance, Planning, Management, and Monitoring of Islands and Coastal Communities.
 - Health, Biodiversity Protection, Nature-based Solutions, and Sustainable Exploration of Coastal/Marine Resources.
 - Engineered and Data-driven Solutions for Coastal Infrastructures, Marine Renewable Energy, Marine Safety, and Navigation Systems.

Knowledge of Work Packages (WPs):

- Gain detailed knowledge of the objectives, tasks, and milestones of EUNICoast's Work Packages, such as management, education, research, community engagement, and digital infrastructure.

- **Sustainability Practices:**
 - Learn specific sustainability practices applicable to ports, islands, and coastal communities, including nature-based solutions and renewable energy initiatives.
- **Technological Competence:**
 - Develop technological competence in using data-driven solutions and digital tools for coastal infrastructure and marine safety.
- **Policy Development and Implementation:**
 - Acquire skills in developing and implementing policies that promote sustainable blue tourism, circular economy, and biodiversity protection.

General Learning Outcomes

1. -Understanding Coastal and Maritime Challenges-
2. -Familiarity with European Maritime Policies-
3. -Insight into Cultural Heritage and Local Knowledge-
4. -Research Methodologies and Innovation Strategies-
5. -Interdisciplinary Research and Analytical Skills-
6. -Effective Project Management-
7. -Enhanced Collaboration and Networking Abilities-
8. -Improved Communication Skills-
9. -Problem-Solving in Sustainability-
10. -Strategic Planning and Implementation-
11. -Leadership and Decision-Making Competence-
12. -Intercultural Competence and Respect for Diversity-

The ultimate goal of EUNICoast is to leverage partners' maritime expertise and diverse perspectives to integrate academic blueprints and action plans, thereby contributing to the sustainability