

News Release

GLOFOULING WEBINAR - ROLE OF BIOFOULING IN RECREATIONAL SAILING, YACHTING AND MARINAS

WOC Reaches Out to Ocean Industries re Solutions to Biofouling and Invasive Aquatic Species: Second GloFouling Webinar, 20 February

18 February 2020

The World Ocean Council (WOC) – the lead GloFouling Project Partner for engaging the wider ocean business and investment community – invites interested parties to the 2nd GloFouling Webinar: "The Role of Biofouling in Recreational Sailing, Yachting and Marinas as a Pathway for Non-Indigenous Species", 20 February at 10:00 am (GMT).

The webinars are part of the <u>GEF-UNDP-IMO GloFouling Partnerships Project</u> which is working to better understand and tackle the multi-sectoral challenge of biofouling and its impacts on marine biodiversity and the Sustainable Blue Economy.

The 20 February webinar will highlight biofouling on recreational boats as a major pathway for the introduction of non-indigenous species with potential to become invasive. It will focus on extensive research conducted in the Mediterranean Sea, and reveal key challenges that are highly relevant to marine biosafety in our oceans.

<u>Click here</u> to register for the webinar.

Upcoming webinars in the series include:

 17 March, 2:00 pm (GMT): Monitoring Biofouling in the Offshore Renewable Energy Industry

Webinars are open to all participants free of charge.

For more information, visit https://www.glofouling.imo.org/webinars.

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11-12 March, COPENHAGEN

Green Ship Technology (GST) Europe 2020 (Supporting Organization)

17-19 March, ANTWERP

IAPH World Ports Conference 2020 (Supporting Organization)

24-25 March, HAMBURG

3rd Green Maritime Forum (Partner)

23 March-3 April, NEW YORK

U.N. Law of the Sea, BBNJ Treaty – 4th (Final) Negotiation Session on the international, legally binding instrument under the U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea re the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ) (Industry Representative)

31 March-2 April, STAMFORD, USA

CMA Shipping 2020 (Plenary Speaker on Law of the Sea/BBNJ Treaty)

21 April, BRUSSELS

4th **Meeting of the EU Marine Knowledge Expert Group** (Participant)

World Ocean Council (WOC) – The Global Blue Economy Business Organization

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WOC Members are listed <u>here</u>, a part of the WOC Network of 35,000+ ocean industry stakeholders around the world. The WOC is a registered not-for-profit organization in the US, UK and France.

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