



ATLANTIC ARC
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BUILDING A STRONG ATLANTIC NETWORK OF BLUE INNOVATION

*Workshop in the framework of FANBEST
project*

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Agenda

**When: Friday 16 June 2023 | 10.00 to 13.00 WEST
(11.00 to 14.00 for CEST connections)**

Where: Lisbon

Comissão de Coordenação da Desenvolvimento Regional (CCDR) de Lisboa e Vale do Tejo
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Working languages: EN, PT, FR, ES (tbc according to participants in Lisbon)

Background

In a context where the Atlantic Area benefits from a strong network of research and test centers for technologies, especially to be applied in the maritime industries, and while the EU is multiplying initiatives and programmes to boost R&I in Europe, support entrepreneurship and scale-up Start-ups and SMEs, this meeting co-organised with CCDR Lisboa e Vale do Tejo aims at:

- 1- Understanding what are the priorities of Atlantic Regions in terms of R&I and Start-up/SME scale-up,
- 2- Evaluating the adequacy of existing EU schemes with regards boosting innovation in the Atlantic regions
- 3- Identifying what could be done to improve the capacity of Atlantic Start-ups “made in Atlantic” to overcome the “Valley of Death”

10:00-10:20 (11:00-11:20 CEST)	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Teresa Almeida, President of CCDR Lisboa e Vale do Tejo, AAC First Vice President- Joao Fonseca Ribeiro, CEO of Blue Geo Lighthouse
10:20-11:30 (11:20-12:30 CEST)	How to better structure a strong ecosystem of innovation in the Atlantic <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Video address by Boris Teillant, Project developer at Atlanpole, partner of FANBEST

	<p><u>Panel discussion</u> moderated by Ruben Eiras, Secretary General of Forum Oceano</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - David Rodeiro Pazos, University of Santiago de Compostela, leader of FANBEST project - Philippe Monbet, Director General of the Pôle Mer Bretagne Atlantique (tbc) - Niall McDonough, Director Policy, Innovation and Research Support of the Marine Institute of Ireland (tbc) - Alvaro Rodríguez Ruiz, Centro Tecnológico CTC (tbc) - Sergio Leandro, Deputy Director of the Maritime Polytechnic Institute of Leiria and scientific coordinator of SmartOcean Park, Peniche <p>Questions for panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) What challenges (current and future) deserve an Atlantic cooperation on R&I? 2) What are the current initiatives you have developed to boost R&I cooperation at Atlantic level and what could be done further? 3) Who are the main stakeholders to involve in a more structured R&I cooperation? 4) Are the current EU tools sufficient to boost R&I in the Atlantic? 5) Would you have further recommendations to share with policy makers? <p><u>Debate</u> with participants moderated by Ruben Eiras</p> <p><u>Wrap-up</u> by Ruben Eiras</p>
<p>11.30-12.00 (12:30-13:00 CEST)</p>	<p>Coffee break</p>
<p>12.00-12.50 (13:00-13:50 CEST)</p>	<p>Participation of Atlantic stakeholders in EU and national funding schemes: how to overcome the “Valley of Death”?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Video address by Ana Panagopoulou, Director for European Research Area and Innovation, DG RTD: Regional Innovation Valley, Blue KICs, Ocean ERANET and Blue Economy Partnership <p><u>Panel discussion</u> moderated by Duarte Rodrigues, Cohesion and Development Agency, the national agency on cohesion policy (tbc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representative of Caixa Geral de Deposito (tbc) - Yoann Nesme, CEO of Orange Bird, platform of crowdfunding, crowdsourcing and open innovation in Portugal, member of FANBEST - Representative of Camara de Comércio (tbc) - Reka Rozsavolgyi, Policy Officer, Unit A3: Sea Basin Strategies, Maritime Regional Cooperation and Maritime Security, DG MARE, European Commission (tbc) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) What is the rate of Atlantic stakeholders’ use of EU instruments fostering R&I? Is the use of the EU tool territorial balanced? 2) How your tool connects with regional strategies on R&I (Smart Specialisation Strategies notably)?

	<p>3) How your tool enables Atlantic Start-ups to grow and overcome the “Valley of Death”?</p> <p>4) Could you assess how those tools have been working (assets and bottlenecks)? What is the ambition for the future?</p> <p>5) What would be your recommendations to policy makers to support innovation “made in Atlantic”?</p> <p><u>Debate</u> with participants moderated by Duarte Rodrigues, Cohesion and Development Agency, the national agency on cohesion policy (tbc)</p> <p><u>Wrap up</u> by the moderator</p>
<p>12.50-13.00 (13:50-14:00 CEST)</p>	<p>Conclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conclusions by a representative of the Atlantic Arc Commission: draft of policy recommendations on Building a Strong Atlantic Network of Blue Innovation