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AGENDA

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From skills gaps to blue opportunities: connecting education, research and industry for a sustainable blue economy

TIME	SESSION	DETAILS
09:30–10:00	Registration & Welcome Coffee	Registration of participants and informal welcome.
10:00–10:15	Opening & Welcome Addresses	Welcome by the Lead Partner and invited institutional / Programme representatives.
10:15–10:30	MareSkill Journey: From Skills Gaps to Blue Opportunities	A concise overview of the project journey, objectives and the challenges MareSkill set out to address.
10:30–10:33	MareSkill Results – Introduction	Lead Partner – introduction to the joint project results block.
10:33–10:42	From Skills Gaps to Education: What Does the Blue Economy Need?	Ana Gundić – University of Zadar Skills needs, stakeholder involvement and the link between identified gaps and education.
10:42–10:51	Turning Needs into Learning: MareSkill Training Programmes & Pilot Experiences	Zlata – MareSkill partner Training programmes, pilot implementation, participant experience and key lessons learned.
10:51–11:00	Skills for a Sustainable Blue Economy: Lessons from Training & Capacity Building	Alessandra – OGS Skills development for a sustainable blue economy, training experiences and key messages for the future.
11:00–11:08	From Knowledge to Innovation: Connecting Education, Research & the Blue Economy	Valeria Patruno A project contribution focused on connecting knowledge, innovation, education and the needs of the blue economy.
11:08–11:10	MareSkill Legacy – What Comes Next?	Lead Partner – short conclusion and transition to the coffee break.
11:10–11:25	Coffee Break	

11:25–12:25	Stakeholder Round Table	Blue Skills for the Future: Are Education and Industry Ready for the Next Generation of the Blue Economy?
		Panelists to be confirmed by the Lead Partner.
12:25–12:40	MareSkill Beyond the Project	Key messages on the continuation, uptake and sustainability of project results and cross-border cooperation.
12:40–12:50	Closing Message: Skills for the Blue Future	Final reflections and closing remarks.
12:50–13:00	MareSkill Final Moment	Group photo / short MareSkill video.
13:00–14:00	Networking Lunch	
14:00–15:00	OMU & SC Meeting	Project partners.
18:00 onwards	Blue Networking Experience in Šibenik	Networking with local blue economy stakeholders and connection with SHIP Festival activities.