

# Agenda of the international conference

## “Let’s save the Mediterranean”

Corum | Montpellier  
29th of September 2022

- **8:30 a.m.** | Welcome & coffee
- **9:00– 9:40 a.m.** | Opening of the Conference
  - **Michaël Delafosse**, Mayor of Montpellier
  - **HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco**, video message
  - **Jean-Louis Chauzy**, President of the CESER Occitanie
  - **Virginijus Sinkevičius**, European Commissioner for Environment, Oceans and Fisheries, video message
- **9:40 – 9:50 a.m.** | **Isabelle Autissier**, President of WWF France, Special witness  
Video presentation of the topics of the debate

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- **10:00 – 11:00 a.m.** | **Roundtable 1: REDUCE**
  - **Nathalie Gontard**, INRAE – [Alternatives to traditional plastics](#); Montpellier, Occitanie
  - **Ignasi Mateo Rodriguez**, Waste agency of Catalonia - Interreg Med Project - [Plastic Busters MPAs](#), Elimination of single-use plastics in the Ebro Delta Natural Parc; Italy/France/Spain
  - **Sebastià Sansó Jaume**, General director of Waste and Environmental Education, Balearics Islands Government - [Presentation of the Balearic Islands' Waste Law](#); Balearics Islands
  - **Céline Mahfouz**, Doctor – CNRSL, Lebanon; Restitution of work on marine solid waste and micro plastic pollution; Beirut, Lebanon
- **11:00 – 11:25 a.m.** | **Pitch time 1: REDUCE**
  - **Tupa Rangel Cárdenas**, “Balearic Islands without plastics” programme coordinator, [Save The Med Foundation](#); Balearics Islands
  - **Joan Sabartés I Pardo** – [Bonpreu Group](#) – Food trade : Reducing the use of plastics; Catalonia



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- **Xavier Desmarest**, [Grand Large Yachting](#) – Production of a racing boat with biosourced materials; La Grande-Motte, Occitanie
- **Luis Cabedo Mas and José Gámez Pérez**, University Jaume I of Castelló - [PIMA](#) – Development and study of the biodegradability in the marine environment of new renewable plastic materials in the context of a biocircular economy; Valencian Community
- **François Vessière and Thomas Pétreault** - [Manufacture of masks from fully biodegradable biosourced materials](#); Saint Gaudens, Occitanie

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- **11:25 - 11:30 a.m.** | Transition, presentation video of the three Economic and Social Councils (ESCs) of the [Euroregion Pyrenees Mediterranean](#).
  - **11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | Roundtable 2: REUSE**
    - **Joan Miquel Matas Rosselló**, Director – [Chemical Industry Cluster of the Balearic Islands](#) – Reuse of plastic containers; Balearic Islands
    - **Daniela Brunsó Welker**, Product Stewardship Manager, [BASF España SL](#) – “Circular economy: dissociating growth from resources’ consumption”, Use of recycled products from plastic waste; Catalonia
    - **Anne Leila Meisterzheim**, [Plastic@Sea](#), Innovative solutions for testing the biodegradability of plastics in the environment; Banyuls, Occitanie
    - **Lucie Courtial**, Executive secretary, [BeMed | Beyond Plastic Med](#) ; Monaco. Presentation of the project of the Mare Vivu association; Corsica
  - **12:30 - 1:00 p.m. | Pitch time 2: REUSE**
    - **Andrea Ruzo García**, Director, [Ecoalf Foundation](#) – Upcycling the Oceans : Giving a second life to marine litter; Catalonia.
    - **Sabine Meneut** - [Click Dive](#), Partner in the structuring and implementation of a chain for the collection and recovery of fishing nets; Marseille, Région Sud
    - **Erica García Núñez**, Sustainability Department coordinator - [Garden Hotels](#), Circular economy and smart purchasing; Balearic Islands.
    - **Rosa María Martínez Espinosa**, Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology - Multidisciplinary Institute for the Study of the Environment "Ramón Margalef", University of Alicante - [Appl Biochem](#), Haloarchaea (extremophilic micro-organisms) as cell factories for the production of bioplastics; Valencian Community

- **Lucas Debièvre** - [APER](#), Eco-organism in charge of the dismantling of pleasure boats in Occitanie; Occitanie
- **Martine Marragou** – President Emmaüs Montpellier; Occitanie

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- **1:00 – 2:20 p.m. | Lunch break**

- **2:20 – 2:30 p.m.** | Transition, video interventions by Javier Noriega, President of the Maritime-Marine Cluster of Andalusia, and by the ESC of Murcia; Spain

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- **2:30 – 3:30 p.m. | Roundtable 3: REPAIR**

- **Jorge Terrados Muñoz**, Researcher - [IMEDEA](#), Mediterranean Institute for Advanced Studies – [Regeneration of Posidonia meadows](#); Balearic Islands
- **Mario Vizcarro Gianni**, [Pescaneta](#) - Fishermen who contribute to cleaning the sea by collecting waste in their nets; Catalonia.
- **Pauline Constantin** - Marine Institute [Seaquarium](#), Awareness-raising and beach cleaning actions; Grau du Roi, Occitanie
- **Omar Kcharem**, [Kerkennah Plastique](#) – Collection, export and recovery of marine plastics in a natural area; Kerkennah Islands, Tunisia

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- **3:30- 4:00 p.m. | Pitch Time 3: REPAIR**

- **Salud Deudero Company**, Research professor, [Balearic Oceanographic Centre](#), Plastics in marine ecosystems: common solutions for a global problem; Balearics Islands
- **Wolfgang Ludwig**, [CEFREM](#), University of Perpignan; Knowledge and collection of waste at the watershed scale; Perpignan, Occitanie
- **Isabelle Poitou**, [Association Mer - Terre](#), Accompanying actions for citizen collection and participatory science to characterize and quantify the waste collected; Marseille, Région Sud
- **Didier Bardy**, [Rescue Ocean](#); Montpellier, Occitanie

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- **4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | BREAK**

- **Carlos Álvarez**, President of the Club of Rome
- **Francis Vallat**, Former President of the 7th Continent & SOS Méditerranée
- **François-Michel Lambert**, President of the Institute for the Circular Economy

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- **4:30 – 5:00 p.m. | Intervention of the CES Presidents**

- In the presence of the Presidencies of the ESCs of the Mediterranean arc:  
**Antonio Jiménez Sánchez**, Murcia, **Ángel Gallego Morales**, Andalusia and  
**Arturo León López**, Valencian Community (ES), **Marie-Jeanne Nicoli**, CESEC of Corsica and **Marc Pouzet**, CESER Région Sud (FR) and of the Euroregional ESCs:  
**Jean-Louis Chauzy**, CESER Occitanie, **Toni Mora**, CTESC and **Rafel Ballester**, CESIB.
- Adoption of the manifesto of the ESCs of the Mediterranean arc

- **5:00– 5:45 p.m. | Conclusion of the conference**

- Presence of **Carole Delga**, President of the Region Occitanie, President of the Euroregion Pyrenees-Mediterranean
- Representatives of the member governs of the Euroregion Pyrenees-Mediterranean: **Miquel Mir Gual**, Minister for the Environment and Territory of the Balearic Islands; **Lluís Baulenas i Cases**, Secretary General of the Exterior Action and Open Government Department, Government of the Generalitat of Catalonia; and of the partner Mediterranean arc regions: **Christophe Maderolle**, Vice-President of the Biodiversity, Sea, Coastal and Regional Natural Parcs Commission of the PACA Sud de France Region; **Joan Piquer Huerga**, Director General of Quality and Environmental Education of the Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development, Climate Emergency and Ecological Transition of the Valencian Community; **Rosa María Porras Sánchez**, Head of the Planning and Environmental Assessment Service of the Government of the Region of Murcia; Andalusia and Corsica.

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- **5:45 – 6:00 p.m. | Closing by Etienne Guyot, Prefect of the Region of Occitanie**