

Diving Into Blue Horizon

European Maritime Day Satellite Event EMD

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10:00 CET
Hybrid

**Institutional Headquarters of the
University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria**



Programme

09:00–09:30 | Registration & Welcome

Registration, accreditation and welcome.

09:30–09:50 | Lecture 1

María Dolores Pérez Hernández

Canarias ante la previsible alteración de la Corriente Meridional de Vuelco del Atlántico Norte (AMOC)

09:50–10:10 | Lecture 2

Dr. Elina Tragou

Physical Oceanography & Climate Resilience: Observing Marine Dynamics in Insular Basins

10:10–10:30 | Lecture 3

Mr. Spyros Spondylidis

Earth Observation & Drone Technologies: Remote Sensing Applications for Coastal and Marine Monitoring

10:30–10:45 | Coffee Break

10:45–11:15 | Opening Session

Official welcome and opening of European Maritime Day 2026.

11:15–11:30 | Lecture 4

Miguel Borja Aguiar González

Understanding a Connected Ocean to Anticipate Change: Challenges for the Climate and Ecosystems of the Canary Islands



11:30–11:50 | Lecture 5

Prof. Iosif Botetzagias

Blue Governance & Environmental Policy: Bridging Scientific Evidence and Citizen Engagement in Insular Regions

11:50–12:10 | Lecture 6

Prof. Athanasios Stasinakis

Circular Water Management & Emerging Contaminants: Protecting Island Coastal and Marine Ecosystems

12:10–12:30 | Lecture 7

Jorge Cabrera Gámez

Cuando la ingeniería escucha al mar: robótica, inteligencia artificial y biodiversidad en Canarias

12:30–13:00 | Networking Time

13:00–13:20 | Lecture 8

Daura Vega Moreno

Microplastic in the Open Ocean Down to 2000 Meters Depth

13:20–14:00 | El Eco de las Aulas: Student Flash Talks

14:00–15:15 | Lunch Break

15:30–16:30 | Round table: From Research to Action

Banco de Algas, Autoridad Portuaria de Las Palmas, ITC, Cluster Marítimo de Canarias

16:30–16:45 | Conclusions and closing remarks

Student Flash Talks

13:20–13:25 - Erika Rojas Aranda (ULPGC Alumni)

Structure and Trophic Role of Zooplankton in an Oligotrophic Coastal System

13:25–13:30 — Jose Roberto Sierra Salcedo (ULPGC)

Blue Carbon Storage in Canary Island Seagrass Meadows: Why Protection Matters

13:30–13:35 — Adrián Antonio Cuntín Pastoriza (ULPGC)

Time Series Analysis of Meteorological Variables at the ESTOC Station: Data Quality Control, Interannual Variability, Anomalies and Trends

13:35–13:40 — África Marrero del Rosario, Alba Martínez López y Manuel José Chica González (ULPGC)

Can Maritime Decarbonisation Measures Make Our Oceans Quieter?

13:40–13:45 — Alessandro Grimon Nuñez (ULPGC)

Del sensor al rating: por qué la descarbonización marítima es un problema de software

13:45–13:50 — Maria-Ioanna Dritsa (UAEGEAN)

Marine Cultural Heritage in the Blue Economy: Perspectives for Sustainable Development

13:50–13:55 — Vangelis Zaftis (UAEGEAN)

Lifelines on the Water: What the Aegean and the Canaries Share Beneath the Waves

13:55–14:00 — Manel Soria i Campmajó (ULPGC)

Remolinos mesoescalares como trampas de ondas, ¿cómo ocurre eso?



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