

Sustainability Impact Assessment of
Blue Economy Strategies in Island and Coastal Regions

Blue Impact Lab

TRAINING SCHOOL PROGRAMME



Wednesday-Saturday

02-05 April, 2025



Location

University of the Aegean
Dimokratias 47-49, Rhodes,
Greece





PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 2

Day 1: Impact Assessment & Participatory Method



Icebreaking Welcome !	17:00 p.m. - 17:15 p.m.
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Participatory Method Works Maria Lekakou (UoAegean)	17:15 p.m. - 18:15 p.m.
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Break	18:15 p.m. - 18:30 p.m.
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Impact Assessment: Key indicators for islands and blue activities Dimitris Gavalas (UoAthens) Michael Nikitaridis (LKN Analysis Ltd)	18:30 p.m. - 19:30 p.m.
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Q&A & Wrap-up	19:30 p.m. - 20:00 p.m.
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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 3

Day 2: Chalki the first GR-eco Island

Departure from Rhodes to Chalki 08:00 a.m. - 09:55 a.m.

Exploring the island of Chalki 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Transition to Sustainable Islands
Communities 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Ioannis Spilanis, Maria Lekakou (UoAegean)

Discussion: Local Priorities for a
Sustainable Blue Future 12:00 p.m. - 13:00 p.m.

**Mayor of the island of Chalki and the
local initiators**

Break & Departure from Chalki to
Rhodes at 14:30 13:00 p.m. - 14:30 p.m.

On-Board Learning: From Chalki to
the European Maritime Regions
Lessons Learned for Socio-
Ecological Impacts and Opportunities 14:30 p.m. - 16:30 p.m.

Stavros Kalognomos (UoAegean)

Return from Chalki to Rhodes 16:30 p.m.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Friday, April 4

Day 3: Methods of Environmental & Socio- Economic Impact Assessment

**Socio-Economic and Environmental
Impact Assessment and ESG
Perspectives**

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Georgios Remoundos (UoAegean)

Coffee Break

11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Methodologies for Assessing the
Contribution and Impact of European
Strategies on Social Cohesion and
Sustainable Regional Development

12:00 p.m. - 13:30 p.m.

Ioannis Katsounis (UoAthens)

Lunch Break

13:30 p.m. - 14:30 p.m.

Lab for Assessing Sustainable
Blue Economy on Islands

14:30 p.m. - 16:30 p.m.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 5

Day 4: Stakeholder Engagement & Policy Simulation

Local Initiatives & Sustainable Blue
Economy: Best Practices 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Coffee Break 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Role-Playing Simulation:
Stakeholders and Policy Experts in
Blue Economy 12:00 p.m. - 13:30 p.m.

(25 participants rotating roles)

Fact Findings and Future Trips 13:30 p.m. - 14:30 p.m.

Farewell Lunch 14:30 p.m. - 15:30 p.m.
