



ODYSSEA

Operating a network of integrated observatory
systems in the Mediterranean Sea

Project Deliverable Report

Deliverable Number: 11.6

Deliverable Title: Final Conference

Author(s): Kathryn Keeble

Work Package Number: 11



This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 727277

ODYSSEA Project Information	
Project full title	ODYSSEA: Operating a network of integrated observatory systems in the Mediterranean Sea
Project acronym	ODYSSEA
Grant agreement number	727277
Project coordinator	Georgios Sylaios, DUTH
Project start date and duration	1 st June 2017, 54 months
Project website	http://odysseaplatform.eu/

Deliverable Information	
Work package number	11
Work package title	Dissemination, Communication and Visibility
Deliverable number	11.6
Deliverable title	Report on the Final Conference
Description	Report on the final conference of the ODYSSEA project
Lead beneficiary	BLIT
Lead Author(s)	Kathryn Keeble
Contributor(s)	Menelaos Chatziapostolidis
Revision number	V1.0
Revision Date	08-11-2021
Status (Final (F), Draft (D), Revised Draft (RV))	F



Dissemination level (Public (PU), Restricted to other program participants (PP), Restricted to a group specified by the consortium (RE), Confidential for consortium members only (CO))	PU
--	----

Document History			
Revision	Date	Modification	Author
0.1		Initial draft	Kathryn Keeble
0.2		Revised draft	Menelaos Chatziapostolidis
1.0		Final	Kathryn Keeble

Approvals				
	Name	Organisation	Date	Signature (initials)
Coordinator	Georgios Sylaios	DUTH	08-11-2021	GS
WP Leaders	Simon Keeble	BLIT	08-11-2021	SK

PROPRIETARY RIGHTS STATEMENT

This document contains information, which is proprietary to the ODYSSEA consortium. Neither this document, or the information contained within may be duplicated, used or communicated except with the prior written permission of the ODYSSEA coordinator.

Table of Contents

1	EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	5
2	INTERNAL ODYSSEA VIRTUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING, 2ND NOVEMBER 2021	6
2.1	Introduction	6
2.2	Agenda	6
2.2.1	Final Project Reporting and timelines	6
2.2.2	Status of pending project deliverables.....	6
2.2.3	The open session section of the Final Conference agenda and presentations.....	6
2.3	Summary of Actions	7
3	ODYSSEA VIRTUAL FINAL CONFERENCE, NOV 3, 2021 09:00-16:15 CET (OPEN SESSION)	8
3.1	Introduction	8
3.2	Agenda	8
3.3	Dissemination	10
3.4	Registration and Participation.....	10
3.5	Presentations	10
4	SUMMARY	11

1 Executive Summary

The ODYSSEA final conference was held as a virtual event on 2-3 November.

An internal ODYSSEA Virtual General Assembly Meeting was held on Tuesday 2nd November 2021 using Zoom. The purpose was to inform partners of the end of project reporting requirements, discussed pending deliverables and to fine tune the agenda for the main Final Conference to take place on Wednesday 3rd November 2021.

The main Final Conference was an open session and was held on Wednesday 3rd November 2021.

The purpose of the conference was to present the key ODYSSEA outputs and results to key target audiences including project partners, the scientific community, marine-based industry (including SMEs), policymakers, public authorities, media, consumer organisations and the general public. The meeting was held via Zoom. Participants were required to pre-register to attend the meeting.

The final conference was promoted widely on the project's website, across social media and through the extended networks of the project and its consortia.

325 individuals registered to attend the Final Conference, 164 of registrants participated in the meeting in 433 sessions for a total of 640 hours.

2 Internal ODYSSEA Virtual General Assembly Meeting, 2nd November 2021

2.1 Introduction

An internal ODYSSEA Virtual General Assembly Meeting was held on Tuesday 2nd November 2021 using Zoom. The meeting was attended at least 1 representative from each of 28 beneficiaries. The purpose was to inform partners of the end of project reporting requirements, discussed pending deliverables and to fine tune the agenda for the main Final Conference to take place on Wednesday 3rd November 2021.

The full meeting minutes are available on the project website (https://odysseaplatform.eu/download/meeting_reports/Internal-Final-GA-2021_11_02_Minutes.pdf).

2.2 Agenda

The agenda covered 3 main topics:

- Final Project reporting requirements and timelines
- Status of pending project deliverables
- The open session section of the Final Conference agenda and presentations

2.2.1 Final Project Reporting and timelines

The Final Report will have to be submitted within 60 days after the end of the project, i.e until 31st January and WP leaders will need therefore to prepare a full draft version of the Narrative technical report before the Christmas holidays.

The financial report will also need to be sent early to mid-January and partners who require an audit will need to contact them very soon, possibly within this month.

Templates will be sent for both Narrative and Technical Reports.

Final batch of payment will be made after Final Technical and Financial report are submitted to and approved by the REA services.

2.2.2 Status of pending project deliverables

Each pending deliverable was discussed, and all involved partners confirmed that they would be able to submit them until the formal closure of the project, November 30th.

2.2.3 The open session section of the Final Conference agenda and presentations

The Agenda of the Open Session (Wednesday, 3rd November) was reviewed and fine-tuned. It was agreed that Partners would need to take into account that the session was targeting a very broad, diverse and numerous audience (with already almost 300 registrations) and avoid raising issues that do not add value

in such a context while Speakers would have to make sure that they do not exceed the time allocated and give lively presentations.

2.3 Summary of Actions

#	Action Description	Lead	Date
1	Prepare and send Narrative Technical Report template	Menelaos Chatziapostolidis	30-11-2021
2	Prepare and send Financial Report template	Simon van Dam	30-11-2021
3	Prepare and send draft version of WP technical report	WP Leaders	25-12-2021
4	Prepare and send financial report	All partners	10-01-2022
5	Prepare and send D4.3, D4.4, D4.5	Katerina Spanoudaki / Nikos Kampanis	30-11-2021
6	Prepare and send D6.4	Nicolas Grainier	15-11-2021
7	Prepare and send D8.4 & D8.5	Lorinc Meszaros	15-11-2021
8	Prepare and send D9.2	Simon van Dam	30-11-2021
9	Prepare and send D9.3	Simon Keeble	15-11-2021
10	Prepare and send D9.4	Menelaos Chatziapostolidis	30-11-2021
11	Prepare and send D10.2, D10.3	Slim Gana / Daniel Cebrian	25-11-2021
12	Prepare and send D11.4, D11.5, D11.6	Simon Keeble	30-11-2021
13	Submit Final Report	Menelaos Chatziapostolidis / Simon van Dam	31-01-2022

3 ODYSSEA Virtual Final Conference, Nov 3, 2021 09:00-16:15 CET (Open Session)

3.1 Introduction

The final conference of the ODYSSEA project will be held on Wednesday 3rd November virtually.

The purpose of this conference is to present the final results to key target audiences: partners, the scientific community, marine-based industry (including SMEs), policymakers, public authorities, media, consumer organisations and the general public.

The conference has been arranged into 6 specific areas of focus:

- Capacity-building around the Mediterranean (with emphasis in North Africa)
- Marinomica – the data visualisation platform
- Development of Marinomica products and services.
- Observatories – the new Med observatories.
- End user services and contribution to policy processes
- Impacts and the future
 - Blue growth
 - Continued operation of Marinomica.
 - Continued operation of the observatories.
 - EcoScope – fisheries management
 - Iliad – The EU’s digital twin of the ocean

3.2 Agenda

09:00 - 09:45 (CET)

Welcome and introduction to project achievements

Professor Georgios Sylaios (DUTH), Project Coordinator

09:45 - 10:30 (CET)

Capacity building around the Mediterranean, Europe, Israel and North Africa

Daniel Cebrian (SPA-RAC)

10:30 - 10:45 (CET)

Break

10:45 - 11:30 (CET)

Marinomica - the data visualisation platform & data harmonisation

Simon Keeble (Blue Lobster) & Nicolas Grainier (CLS)

11:30 - 12:30 (CET)

Development of Marinomica products and services

Lorinc Meszaros and Ghada El Serafy (Deltares)

12:30 - 13:30 (CET)

Break

13:30 - 14:30 (CET)

Observatories - the new Med observatories

Hussein Nibani (AGIR)

14:30 - 14:45 (CET)

Break

14:45 - 15:15 (CET)

Contribution to outreach and policy-making

Claire Dufau (CLS) and Laura Friedrich (UNEP-WCMC)

15:15 - 15:45 (CET)

Impacts and the future

Simon van Dam (Agora)

- Blue growth
- Continued operation of Marinomica
- Continued operation of the observatories
- EcoScope - fisheries management

- Iliad - The EU's digital twin of the ocean

15:45 -16:15 (CET)

Discussion and feedback

16:15 (CET)

Close

Professor Georgios Sylaios (DUTH), Project Coordinator & Simon van Dam (Agora)

3.3 Dissemination

The main approach for inviting participants was to identify key stakeholder groups and through the extended networks of the consortia e.g. JERICO-S3, Eurofleets-plus, Iliad and EcoScope partners. Also, participants of the ODYSSEA Summer Schools and training workshops as well as partners from similar Territorial Cooperation projects were approached.

The event was distributed on Social Media networks and posted on the ODYSSEA project website (<https://odysseaplatform.eu/events/odyssea-final-conference-nov-3-2021-0900-1700-cet/>).

3.4 Registration and Participation

325 individuals registered to attend the Final Conference via Zoom. Of these, 164 participated in the meeting in 433 sessions for a total of 640 hours.

3.5 Presentations

All of the presentations given at the Final Conference are available to the public in PDF format on the project website (<https://odysseaplatform.eu/final-conference-presentations/>).

Recordings of the presentations were collected. They will be edited and made publicly available on the Meetings section of the project website (<https://odysseaplatform.eu/project-information/meeting-reports/>).

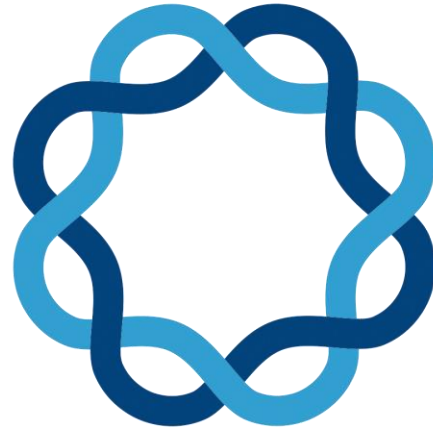
4 Summary

The ODYSSEA final conference was held as a virtual event on 2-3 November.

An internal ODYSSEA Virtual General Assembly Meeting was held on Tuesday 2nd November 2021 using Zoom.

The main Final Conference was an open session and was held on Wednesday 3rd November 2021.

325 individuals registered to attend the Final Conference, 164 of registrants participated in the meeting in 433 sessions for a total of 640 hours.



ODYSSEA



This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 727277. The report reflects only authors' views and the Commission is not responsible for any use that may be made of the information it contains.