

Venue: Patella meeting room, Jacobsenstraat 1, 8400 Ostend, Belgium

Day 1

Time	Event	Content
09:30	Opening welcome and introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of EMB Secretariat and Ambassadors
09:50	EMB Ambassador Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short outline of the Ambassador Programme, Alumni Programme and Mentoring Programme Short outline of how logistics and financial matters work Any questions?
10:00	European Marine Board and the European marine science policy landscape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Who are EMB? What does EMB do? What does the European marine science policy landscape look like? Where does EMB fit into this landscape and how?
11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30	European Marine Board and the European marine science policy landscape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuation of presentation and Q&A
12:00	<i>Lunch and walk</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take group photo
13:00	Third Thursday Science Webinar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Ecosystem effects of offshore windfarms: understanding and use for a sustainable future”
14:00	Interactive session on engaging communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on VLIZ training offered in March 2023
15:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15:30	Interactive session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How do you communicate in an engaging manner? Use example of planned output from EMB ECOP Forum on how to engage ECOPs in European marine science policy landscape?
16:00	Discussing the future of the ECOP Network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What would we like to see in the future? How could the network operate? Communication platforms Process for engaging in suggesting and pre-voting on new EMB activity topics
17:00	<i>Close</i>	Drinks then dinner at 19:00 at TBC in Ostend

Day 2

Time	Event	Content
09:30	EMB Ambassador bi-monthly meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Usual discussion points from bi-monthly Ambassador meetings
11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30	Wrap-up session / further discussion on EMB ECOP Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reflection on what has been learnt• Final points to discuss on EMB ECOP Forum• Any final questions or comments?• Feedback on the training
12:30	<i>Lunch and close</i>	