

Dear Sir / Madam,

For some years now, the European Union has been promoting an Integrated Maritime Policy (IMP) with the aim of offering a more coherent approach to maritime and marine affairs and an improved coordination between relevant actors and sectors.

The Director General of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs in charge of coordination of Common Policies and General Affairs of the European Union, the Regional-Minister of Presidency of the Government of the Balearic Islands together with the Presidency of the Maritime Cluster of the Balearic Islands, have the pleasure to invite you to a Conference under the title **“Blue Growth in the Mediterranean. Perspectives of Spain”** which on this occasion is taking place in the Auditorium of Palma de Mallorca, Spain, on 2-3 May 2013. The conference is supported by the European Commission, Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries.

The conference will seek to present solutions to different issues about the potential of the seas and oceans for growth and jobs. To this end, seven workshops will take place on the following subjects:

Workshop 1: Maritime Security and integrated management of emergencies, threats and maritime risks prevention.

Workshop 2: Marine Research: Contribution to science, industry and needs of society, support elements for IMP.

Workshop 3: Priorities of investments and funding.

Workshop 4: The ecosystem approach: maritime spatial planning /marine reserves, aquaculture and fisheries.

Workshop 5: Blue economy in the maritime sector: innovation & technology in marine and maritime industries.

Workshop 6: Maritime and coastal tourism.

Workshop 7: “The specificity of the insularity. Disadvantages in comparison with continental territories and the determined maritime political action to compensate the insularity. Simple insularity, double and triple insularity. Common problems of the insular regions.”



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The registration and the draft programme will be soon available at the following link:

[www.amiando.com/Med-BlueGrowth-ES](http://www.amiando.com/Med-BlueGrowth-ES)

Registration code: **Attendee-Mallorca**

We look forward to seeing you in this event in Palma de Mallorca.

Yours faithfully,

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