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# THE MARINE ECONOMY A KEY COMPONENT OF THE EU INTEGRATED STRATEGY FOR THE ATLANTIC AREA



**Grand Hotel, Malahide, Co. Dublin, Ireland. Tuesday February 7th 2012**

**Morning session chaired by Mr. Gerry Finn, Director, BMW Regional Assembly.**

Teas/Coffees on arrival

9.00am Registration

9.30am Conference official opening by Councillor Cyril Burke, Chairman of the BMW Regional Assembly.

9.45am **Key Note address by Mr. Simon Coveney, TD.**, Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

10.15am **The components of the EU Atlantic Area Strategy** - Mr. Bernhard Friess, Director, Directorate for Atlantic, Outermost Regions and Arctic, DG MARE European Commission.

10.45am Questions & Answers

11.00am Coffee Break

11.30am **The Atlantic Area of co-operation** - Features, Opportunities and Maritime Challenges: IFDR, Portugal. Presidency of the Atlantic Area Programme 2012

11.50am **Marine co-operation in the Atlantic Area Programme** - Achievements and perspectives for the future. Managing Authority, Atlantic Area Programme.

12.10pm **The importance of the Atlantic Area Strategy to the development of the Atlantic Marine Economy** - Ms. Pauline Caumont, Executive Secretary, Atlantic Arc Commission, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR)

12.35pm **Ireland's Marine Economy and its relationship with other Atlantic Area Member State Marine Strategies** - Dr. Peter Heffernan, CEO, Marine Institute.

1.00pm Questions & Answers

1.15-2.15pm Lunch

**Afternoon session chaired by Mr. Pat Colgan, CEO, Special EU Programmes Body**

2.15pm-2.40pm **The Socio Economic Development of the Marine Sector in the Atlantic Area** - Dr. Stephen Hynes, SEMRU, National University of Ireland Galway.

2.40pm – 3.40pm **Panel discussion on value added of selected marine projects funded under the Atlantic Area Programme 2007-2013**

Maritime Transport & Short Sea Shipping - **PROPOSSE project**.  
Capt. Michael Mc Carthy, Port of Cork, IE

Coastal Risk management & sustainability - **ANCORIM project**.  
Ms. Florence Bouteau, Regional Council of Aquitaine, FR

Marine Renewables as a growing sector - **MAREN project**.  
Ms. Bettina Bockelman Evans, Cardiff University, UK

Response management to marine disasters - **ARCOPOL project**.  
Ms. Marisa Fernandez, Centro Tecnologica del Mar Fundacion, ES

Integrated Coastal Fisheries management - **PRESPO project**.  
Mr. Miguel Gaspar, Instituto Nacional de Recursos Biologicos (IPIMAR), PT

3.40pm – 4.15pm Questions/Answers & Concluding remarks.

Conference close

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