



## Mapping for the Future: Interactive Design of MPA Corridors

### Aboard METEOR: From science to ocean action

**Hosted by:** The MPA Community Network facilitated by SUBMARINER Network for Blue Growth EEIG

**Date and Time:** 11 June 2025, 13.00 - 15.00 CET

**Location:** Port Lympia, at Quai Île de Beauté, Nice, France

**Register [here](#).**

Join us for our interactive workshop aiming to bring together a wide spectrum of UNOC 2025 attendees by facilitating knowledge exchange and promote critical thinking. The event will commence with a short introductory session about the alignment with UNOC 2025 objectives and introducing the MPA Community Network with associated EU-projects. The interactive workshop and main activity of the event will focus on designing Marine Protected Area corridors to balance ecological connectivity, socio-economic benefits, and industry needs. Using the mockup of tools that are being developed in different EU projects including **BioProtect**, **Blue Connect**, **Blue4All**, **MSP4BIO**, **PHAROS**, and **Marine Plan**, you will work with maps, data layers, and connectivity metrics to collaboratively design MPA corridors. The session will aim to explore trade-offs, EU Mission Ocean objectives, and decision-making challenges, generating actionable insights for MPA planning.

#### **Why you should join?**

You will have the change to engage in discussions, tackle trade-offs, and present results, leading to actionable insights for sustainable MPA planning. In the end, even a final group winner will be chosen depending on the impacts different scenarios would create in MPA planning. The event is aimed to foster collaboration and knowledge sharing among science, policy, and community leaders for a more sustainable future for our ocean.





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### Agenda

Time (CET)	Session
13.00 - 13.15	Boarding the RV METEOR and Welcome
13.15 - 13.30	Setting the Scene: Introducing the MPA Community Network and associated EU-projects
13.30 - 14.30	Interactive Workshop – <b>Design your MPA corridor game!</b>
14.30 - 14.40	Q&A and Key Takeaways
14.40 - 15.00	Final remarks, Group Photo and Departing the Ship

