

The Final Conference

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1. When and where was the event held?

The final conference (“Conference on reducing the impact of anchoring on seagrasses”) of the project was held on June 9th and 10th, 2022, at the Hotel Atrium, Split, Croatia.

2. Who organized the event?

Association for nature, environment and sustainable development Sunce (PP4) organized this event with the help of the University of Rijeka (PP5) which was the responsible partner for the whole WP 2.

3. Agenda



EU Interreg Italy – Croatia project final conference

SASPAS „Safe Anchoring and Seagrass Protection in the Adriatic Sea“

Conference on Reducing the Impact of Anchoring on Seagrasses

Hotel Atrium, Split, Croatia
June 9 – 10, 2022

PROGRAMME

1st day - Thursday, June 9, 2022

9:00 - 9:30	Participants registration
9:30 - 12:00	Welcome speech and Conference opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of Split – Dalmatia County • Commune di Monfalcone • Joint Secretariat - Italia-Croatia
	Challenges in seagrasses good management, Zrinka Jakl, Association Sunce
	SASPAS project results, Andrea Rismondo, SELC
	Legal framework and mooring management on Balearic Islands, Marcial Barolet Richter, Posidonia Surveillance Service, Ministry of the Environment of the Balearic Government
12:00 - 12:30	Coffee break
12:30 - 14:00	Panel 1: Establishment and management of ecological anchorages, moderator Duška Milinković <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jelena Kurtović Mrčelić, Public institution More i krš • Ana Marija Jakas, Prijatelji otoka Šćedro • Zlatko Vodanović, Adriatic Sailing • Milena Ramov, Public institution Nature Park Telašćica
14:00 - 15:00	Lunch break
15:00 - 16:00	Poster session and exhibition
20:00 – 22:00	Dinner at Trattoria Tinel (Ul. Tomića stine 1, Split - Matejuška)

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2nd day - Friday, June 10, 2022

9:00 - 9:30	Participants registration/Press conference
9:30 - 10:00	<p>Presentation of Mediterranean Posidonia Network, Daisee Aguilera Fletcher, Whitesand Solutions</p> <p>Key stepstones in stakeholder communication and involvement, example from Balearic Islands, Daisee Aguilera Fletcher, Whitesand Solutions</p>
9:30 - 12:00	<p>Panel 2: Control of free anchoring impact on seagrasses, moderator Duška Milinković</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saul Ciriaco, Shoreline • Jelena Kurtović Mrčelić, Public institution More i krš • Ana Marija Jakas, Prijatelji otoka Šćedro • Zlatko Vodanović, Adriatic Sailing • Milena Ramov, Public institution Nature Park Telašćica
12:00 - 12:30	Coffee break
12:30 - 13:30	Conclusions and conference closure
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch

4. Attendance list

See Annexes.

5. A Number and type (SMEs, civil society organisations, general public, etc.) of participants

June 9th, 2022

43 participants, including the lead partner (1 representative), PP1 (3 representatives), PP3 (2 representatives), PP4 (11 representatives), PP5 (2 representatives), PP6 (1 representative), PP7 (1 representative) and among 4 regional authorities, 3 environmental associations, 1 external government, 2 yachting companies, 1 port authorities, 1 national authority, 2 MPAs, 1 LTD, 7 external.

75 via the YouTube channel

June 110th, 2022

36 participants, including the lead partner (1 representative), PP1 (2 representatives), PP3 (2 representatives), PP4 (7 representatives), PP5 (2 representatives), PP7 (1 representative) among 3 regional authorities, 3 environmental associations, 2 yachting companies, 1 port authorities, 2 MPAs, 1 LTD, 3 external.

60 via the YouTube channel.

6. Purpose of the event, outputs and main conclusions

The final conference (“Conference on reducing the impact of anchoring on seagrasses”) of our project was organized to not only present projects’ results but to also to discuss the next steps with the relevant stakeholders - mapping and monitoring of meadows; simplifying the process of awarding concessions for ecological anchorages; establishment of mechanisms for financing the protection of Posidonia; education of boaters and informing the public; strengthening of competence and capacity for better supervision of anchoring and strategic thinking of sustainable nautical tourism. The conference also gathered panellists who, from the point of view of different sectors and organizations, presented their experiences and recommendations.

Conclusions from our conference are that it is important to simplify and speed up the procedures for issuing concessions for ecological anchorages and to integrate nature protection conditions into them. Public institutions that manage protected areas need to be able to finance the protection of Posidonia meadows from fees obtained through concessions. It is necessary to strengthen cooperation between sectors and communication with the public, especially boaters.

On the first day (June 9th, 2022)), at the conference 43 participants, and 75 people joined in via the YouTube channel to get information and discuss the topic of establishing ecological anchorages and control of free anchoring. On the second day (June 10th, 2022)), at the conference 36 participants, and 60 people joined in via the YouTube channel to get information and discuss the topic of establishing ecological anchorages and control of free anchoring.

Participants were coming from various institutions from the Ministry of agriculture, Port Authority, and Public institutions for protected areas, to charter companies and several nature protection associations. The conference was opened by Sunce President Zrinka Jakl, and Deputy Prefect of Split-Dalmatia County Stipe Čogelja addressed the participants with a welcome speech.

7. Invitation

<https://suncesplit.wixsite.com/saspasconference>



We invite you to the final conference of the EU Interreg Italy-Croatia project

SASPAS "Safe Anchoring and Seagrass Protection in the Adriatic Sea"

June 9 and 10, 2022, Split, Croatia

You can find the program and the application form [HERE](#)

Applications for participation are open until May 31, 2022.

The conference will be held live, participation is free, with a limited number of participants with the possibility of following and through the YouTube channel. The conference will be in Croatian and Italian with translation provided, while part of the presentations will be in English.

At the conference, representatives of various institutions from Croatia and Italy will present the results of the SASPAS project and discuss challenges and possible solutions to reduce the impact of anchoring on seagrass in the Adriatic.

You can find more about the SASPAS project at <https://www.italy-croatia.eu/web/saspas>

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Vi invitiamo alla conferenza finale del progetto EU Interreg Italia-Croazia

SASPAS "Safe Anchoring and Seagrass Protection in the Adriatic Sea"

9 e 10 giugno 2022. a Spalato, Croazia

Puoi trovare il programma e il modulo di domanda [QUI](#).

Le domande di partecipazione sono aperte fino al 31 maggio 2022.

La conferenza si terrà in diretta, la partecipazione è gratuita, con un numero limitato di partecipanti con possibilità di seguire e attraverso il canale YouTube. La conferenza si terrà in croato e italiano con traduzione fornita, mentre alcune presentazioni saranno in inglese.

Alla conferenza, rappresentanti di varie istituzioni croate e italiane presenteranno i risultati del progetto SASPAS e discuteranno le sfide e le possibili soluzioni per ridurre l'impatto dell'ancoraggio sulle fanerogame marine nell'Adriatico.

Puoi trovare maggiori informazioni sul progetto SASPAS su: <https://www.italy-croatia.eu/web/saspas>

SASPAS partner di progetto

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Pozivamo Vas na završnu konferenciju projekta EU Interreg Italija-Hrvatska

SASPAS „Safe Anchoring and Seagrass Protection in the Adriatic Sea“

9. i 10.6.2022., Split, Hrvatska

Program i prijavnicu možete pronaći na [OVDJE](#).

Prijave za sudjelovanje su otvorene do **31. svibnja 2022.**

Konferencija će se održati uživo, sudjelovanje je besplatno, s ograničenim brojem sudionika uz mogućnost praćenja i putem YouTube kanala. Konferencija će biti na hrvatskom i talijanskom jeziku uz osiguran prijevod dok će dio prezentacija biti na engleskom.

Na konferenciji će predstavnici različitih institucija iz Hrvatske i Italije predstaviti rezultate projekta SASPAS te raspravljati o izazovima i mogućim rješenjima za smanjenje utjecaja sidrenja na morske cvjetnice u Jadranu.

Više o projektu SASPAS možete pronaći na <https://www.italy-croatia.eu/web/saspas>

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8. Press release/Webnews/Social media post

Date of release	Media	Link
9.6.2022.	Eko vjesnik	https://www.ekovjesnik.hr/clanak/5248/u-splitu-odrzana-konferencija-o-smanjenju-utjecaja-sidrenja-na-morske-cvjetnice
10.6.2022.	TV Jadran	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yu-h-vc955o&list=PLReBdy6RFj2_kztOdSe3My6wjABco8lRX&index=1&ab_channel=TelevizijaJadran
10.6.2022.	Jutarnji list	https://www.jutarnji.hr/planet/u-nacionalnom-parku-kornati-obavljeno-je-presadivanje-cvjetnica-i-postavljeno-40-sidrenih-mjesta-15209229
13.6.2022.	Večernji list	https://www.vecernji.hr/vijesti/odrzana-konferencija-o-smanjenju-utjecaja-sidrenja-na-morske-cvjetnice-1594212
13.6.2022.	Boka News	https://bokanews.me/konferencija-o-smanjenju-utjecaja-sidrenja-na-morske-cvjetnice/
13.6.2022.	Dalmatinski Portal	https://dalmatinskiportal.hr/energija-i-ekologija/smanjenje-utjecaja-sidrenja-na-morske-cvjetnice-nauticari-su-spremni-na-prilagodbu-136414
13.6.2022.	Slobodna Dalmacija	https://more.slobodnadalmacija.hr/om/vijesti/u-splitu-odrzana-konferencija-o-smanjenju-utjecaja-sidrenja-na-morske-cvjetnice-u-zapadnom-mediteranu-zabilježeno-je-povlacenje-posidonije-cak-32-50-1200311
13.6.2022.	Morski.hr	https://morski.hr/2022/06/13/konferencija-o-smanjenju-utjecaja-sidrenja-na-morske-cvjetnice/
13.6.2022.	Burza Nautike	https://www.burzanautike.com/hr/u_splitu_odrzana_je_konferencija_o_smanjenju_utjecaja_sidrenja_na_morske_cvjetnice/7364/5
13.6.2022.	Dalmacija Danas	https://www.dalmacijadanas.hr/split-odrzana-konferencija-o-smanjenju-utjecaja-sidrenja-na-morske-cvjetnice/
15.6.2022.	Televizija Dalmacija	-

9. Photos/Videos



10. Presentations

First day:

<https://youtu.be/sQ4pDeGQ9Ok>

Second day:

<https://youtu.be/f1Choxj-4Ik>