

BLUESLINKS fair

Zadar, Croatia

May 4th - 6th May 2026



Centra za mlade Zadar (Youth Center Zadar), Stjepana Radića 11 c, 23000, Zadar

DAY ONE - Monday, 4th May 2026

Innovation Day

11:00h Gathering of participants and registration (*welcome refreshments*)

11:30h Welcome speech

11:40h Blue Economy in Practice: Connecting Fisheries and Tourism through Innovation

(networking sessions with SME's)

12:55 Closing remarks

13:10h Networking and lunch



BLUESLINKS partners meeting

14:00 - 18:00h Partners meeting (only for representatives of BLUESLINKS project partners)

Link for online participation [BLUESLINKS PROJECT | Fourth Project Meeting & Steering Committee ZADAR – CROATIA 4th May 2026 | h. 14.00 – 18.00 | Sastanak-Pridružite se | Microsoft Teams](#)

18:00h Light dinner

DAY TWO - Tuesday, 5th May 2026

Fisheries and Tourism Hackathon

8:30h Gathering of participants and registration (*welcome refreshments*)

- Confirmation of registrations and distributions of materials
- Networking among participants, tutors and organisers

09:00h Welcome session

- Welcome speech

9:15h Presentation of the Challenge

- Introduction to the challenge objectives
- Instructions on guidelines, rules and evaluation criteria
- Introduction of tutors and jury

10:15h Coffee break

10:30h Session 1: Brainstorming

- Interactive activities to stimulate creativity and innovation
- Analysis of best practices and case studies
- Team formation based on skills, brainstorming of best ideas

12:30 Lunch break

13:30 Session 2: Operational work – initial development

- Definition of project scope and concrete objectives
- Consultations with tutors to validate ideas
- Planning of subsequent development phases

15:30 Session 3: Design and prototyping

- Development of ideas into detailed concepts or prototypes
- Feasibility tests and validations with expert support
- Initial simulations to validate the project

17:30h Coffee break

17:45 Session 4: Advanced development

- Continued development of concepts or prototypes
- Available support from tutors

19:00 Dinner

DAY 3 - Wednesday, 6th May 2026

Fisheries and Tourism Hackathon & Young Area session

09:00h Session 5 Finalisation & Presentation of the Challenge

- Feedback from tutors and possible adjustments
- Structuring the pitch to effectively present the project
- Presentation to the jury with a Q&A session with each team

12:00 Lunch

12:30 Young Area session (Link for online participation [Young Area - BLUESLINKS | Sastanak-Pridružite se | Microsoft Teams](#))

- Naval Technical Institute NULLO BALDINI Ravenna, Versari Marcelli State Professional Institute of CESENA, (online participation) speaker Massimo Bellavista (**DELTA 2000**)
- School of Economics, Bureaucracy and Commerce / Ekonomsko-birotehnička i trgovačka škola Zadar, speaker Marija Baričević (**ZADRA NOVA**)
- Liceo De Giorgi, Istituto Deledda, Nautico Vespucci (**UNISALENTO**)
- Maritime Technical School Dubrovnik/Pomorsko-tehnička škola Dubrovnik (**UNIDU**)
- Antun Vrančić gymnasium/Gimnazija Antuna Vrančića (**ARGONAUTA**)

14:30 Coffee break

14:45 Closing ceremony

- Announcement of the winners of hackathon and awarding of best teams.