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*Sustainable Microalgae and Cyanobacteria-Based*

*Bioactive Compounds for Cosmeceuticals and Nutraceuticals*

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## Driving the Blue Economy: The Role of Microalgae in Sustainable Innovation

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### 11:30 – 11:35 | Welcome & Introduction

- Welcome to participants
- Introduction to the SMACC+ project and EU Green Week context
- Why microalgae matter for the future of the blue economy

### 11:35 – 11:55 | Regulatory Framework

Led by Universidad de Vigo (CINBIO)

- What are microalgae and why are they important?
- Needs analysis and regulatory challenges in blue biotechnology
- Transferability of regulatory frameworks to other regions

### 11:55 – 12:15 | Microalgae Cultivation & Bioprocessing

Led by University College Dublin

- How microalgae are cultivated and processed
- Resource-efficient and scalable production methods
- Real-world applications and future potential

### 12:15 – 12:35 | Bioactive Compounds & Applications

Led by Instituto Politécnico de Bragança

- How microalgae are used in cosmetics, health, and beyond
- Development of sustainable products
- Opportunities for businesses and entrepreneurs

### 12:35 – 12:50 | Market Uptake & Knowledge Transfer

Led by La Rochelle University

- Communication and stakeholder engagement
- Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) and market feasibility
- Training, replication and policy alignment

### 12:50 – 13:00 | Q&A and Closing

- Open discussion
- Final remarks and next steps
- Invitation to follow SMACC+ activities