



EU Green Week 2024 REMEDIES & UPSTREAM Cluster Meeting

Microplastics in our waters: Is it really a choice between economy and environment?

Webinar, 30/05/2024, 10.00 - 12.30 (Online via Zoom and live on YouTube)

EU Green Week is part of a wider communication campaign dedicated to the topic of water resilience.

Projects UPSTREAM and REMEDIES are part of the EU Mission "Restore our Ocean and Waters" with a 2030 target to protect and restore the health of our ocean and waters through research and innovation, citizen engagement and blue investments.

10.00 – 10.10 Introduction and welcome from the EU Mission Ocean UPSTREAM and REMEDIES projects

- Uros Novak and Vesna Kuralt (REMEDIES coordination Team)
- Ana Maria Lopez and Narinder Bains (UPSTREAM coordination Team)

10.10 – 10.30 Keynote speech – Is it really a choice between economy and environment?

- Maria Westerbos (Founder & director of plastic soup foundation)

10.30 – 12.00 Panel: Microplastic in water: Are we losing the battle?

Moderator: Andreja Palatinus (National institute of Chemistry)

- Katrin Schuhen (Wasser 3.0) – business perspective
- Milica Velimirović (VITO) – science perspective
- Stephan Wagner (HochSchule Frasenius) – science perspective
- Giuseppe Suaria (CNR-ISMAR) – environmental science perspective
- Noleen Mariappen (ThinkOcean) – citizen and community in action
- Cynthia Carliell-Marquet (Severn Trent Water Limited) – wastewater plant perspective

12.00 – 12.25 EU Mission Ocean cascade-funding opportunities for associate regions

REMEDIES OC1 winner(s): Municipality of Guimaraes, Portugal & Esplora Interactive Science Centre, Malta

Short presentation of currently open calls

12.25 – 12.30 Conclusion