**Call for expression of interest**

*The Blue Growth Community (coordinated by the InnoBlueGrowth project – CONISMA, ASCAME, CPMR, NTUA, PLAN BLEU, UoM) launches a call for expression of interest for the selection of* ***5 high-profile experts*** *to fulfil the role of* ***mentors*** *for training activities, within the framework of the Blue Growth Summer School (Interreg Med)*

“**Blue Growth: emerging technologies, trends and opportunities**”

As part of the Blue Growth Summer School “[**Blue Growth: emerging technologies, trends and opportunities**](https://blue-growth.interreg-med.eu/news-events/events/detail/actualites/summer-school-blue-growth-emerging-technologies-trends-and-opportunities/)” organized in the framework of the Interreg MED Blue Growth Community (University of Montenegro, 1st to 5th July 2019), a work/project will be integrated into the program as part of the activities linked to cooperation, project management, and integrated actions.

In the work/project, the students will be working on the simulation of a virtual sustainable territory (e.g. an island), where the development and implementation of activities that relate to the following 5 pillars will be considered:

* blue energy;
* fisheries and aquaculture;
* maritime surveillance;
* blue biotechnologies;
* coastal and maritime tourism.

The work/project will be communicated by the organizers to the experts prior to the beginning of classes. The experts will then be in charge to mentor and coordinate with the students to start designing “a project of project” referring to the designated sectors to be applied on the virtual case study, and to be shared during the dedicated “laboratory” hours of the Summer School on a later stage.

For the development of this work/project, 5 mentor experts to guide the students in the process are needed:

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| **Required professional profile** | High-profile experts with relevant experience in one of the following fields are required:* Higher education and research;
* Entrepreneurship (large or SMEs);
* Public administration (local, regional or national),
* Finance;
* International organizations;

Having carried out activities that have concerned one or more of the following blue economy themes:* blue energy;
* fisheries and aquaculture;
* maritime surveillance;
* blue biotechnologies;
* coastal and maritime tourism.

Realized on the following levels:* Technological trends, R&D and innovation
* Sustainable blue technologies for future societal development
* International frameworks of cooperation, funding and investments opportunities
* Transversality in the blue economy (ICZM, MSP…)

Specific knowledge of the following European Directives and Recommendations is required:* Directive 2014/89/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 establishing a framework for maritime spatial planning
* Recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2002 concerning the implementation of Integrated Coastal Zone Management in Europe
* Directive 2008/56/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 June 2008 establishing a framework for community action in the field of marine environmental policy (Marine Strategy Framework Directive)
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| **Tasks and activities to be carried out** | * Coordination with the participants prior to the beginning of the Summer School (at least 2 weeks are recommended) to get acquainted, share the virtual project dimensions, and start reflections on a potential sectoral project development to be further developed during the laboratory hours (according to designated sector);
* Preparation of the documentation to be shared upon accordance with the InnoBlueGrowth project partners with the Summer School participants, before and during the Summer School;
* Designing of the laboratory activities upon coordination with the InnoBlueGrowth project partners, team work with the other mentors;
* Mentorship during the Summer School week, above all in the afternoon during the designated laboratory hours and support during the 5th conference day;
* Final Report for the selected field on opportunities for collaboration, gaps and potential solutions encountered, on the basis of the case study.
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| **IBG Partner who will contract (Institution)** | * The National Technical University of Athens will contract selected Mentor from the field of “Blue energy”
* University of Montenegro will contract selected Mentor from the field of “Fisheries and aquaculture”
* Association of the Mediterranean Chambers of Commerce and Industry (ASCAME) will contract selected Mentor from the field of “blue biotechnologies, maritime surveillance or coastal and maritime tourism”
* Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions will contract selected Mentor from the field of “blue biotechnologies, maritime surveillance or coastal and maritime tourism”
* Plan Bleu will contract selected Mentor from the field of “Maritime Spatial Planning”
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| **Contracting terms & conditions** | The expenses of each mentor will be covered by one of the InnoBlueGrowth project partners, as organizers of the Summer School. Please, be aware that depending on the repartition, the contract of the mentor will be subjected to different kinds of national laws.More specifically, the contracts will be subjected to:* Greek National law (*for the blue energy field in particular*), under the responsibility of the National Technical University of Athens;
* Montenegrin National law (*for the Fisheries and aquaculture field in particular*) under the responsibility of the University of Montenegro;
* **Spanish National Law (*no specified field*) under the responsibility of the Association of the Mediterranean Chambers of Commerce and Industry (ASCAME)**
* **French National Law (*no specified field*) under the responsibility of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions**
* **French National Law (*no specified field*) under the responsibility of Plan Bleu.**

**All retributions will be performed in gross terms and subjected to the respective above-listed National Rules and Regulations.** |

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| **Remuneration & benefits** | The total amount of the contract (including all applicable taxes and other legal charges) will be 3,000.00 € (three thousand Euros) for mentorship. Transportation, food and accommodation during the Summer school will be covered by the contracting partner, following the Interreg Med Programme and relevant national financial rules.  |

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| Duration of the service *(until delivery of final report)* | From 10.06.2019 | To 31.07.2019 |

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| Summer School Location | University of Montenegro – Institute for Marine Biology,Dobrota bb,85330 KotorFrom 1 July 2019 to 5 July 2019 |

**How to apply?**

This call for of expression of interest is published on the following web pages:

[www.ucg.ac.me/ibm](http://www.ucg.ac.me/ibm)

[www.conisma.it](http://www.conisma.it)

[www.cpmr.org](http://www.cpmr.org)

[www.ascame.org](http://www.ascame.org)

[www.planbleu.org](http://www.planbleu.org)

[www.ntua.gr](http://www.ntua.gr)

Interested applicants should provide the following elements:

1. A **Cover letter** indicating their full contact details, and one or more specific fields of expertise in the fields indicated under the “Required professional profile” section of the present notice of expression of interest.
2. A Curriculum Vitae, stating all relevant experiences applying to the “Required professional profile” and “Tasks and activities to be carried out” sections of the present notice of expression of interest. Particular attention will be brought to the CVs presented under the following format:

**Annex B8h, format available on**

[**http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/annexes.do?group=B**](http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/annexes.do?group=B)

Applications for admission must be submitted within **June, 10th 2019** no later than 12h00 CET. The candidate should:

1. All relevant information specified in the above fields to the following e-mail address innobluegrowth@gmail.com
2. Be able to justify of her/his relevant experience and elements stated in Candidates who have omitted any of the supporting documents requested in the public announcement, or who have made false statements regarding their status or the documentation attached to their applications for admission will be excluded from participating in the selection process.

**Examination Commission**

The Examination Commission for selection of “Mentors” will be appointed by the Steering committee of the [InnoBlueGrowth project](https://blue-growth.interreg-med.eu/), and will involve both representatives of the InnoBlueGrowth Project as of thematic projects belonging to the Blue Growth Community.

The five candidates with the highest number of points will be selected and the Commission’s judgement will be final.

**Protection of personal data**

Should processing your expression of interest involve the recording and processing of personal data (such as your name, address and CV), such data will be processed pursuant to Regulation (EC) Nº45/2001 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data.

Unless indicated otherwise, your reply to this notice and any personal data requested are required for the purposes indicated above and will be processed solely for those purposes by the contracting authority, which is also acting as data controller. Details concerning the processing of your personal data are available on the following [privacy statement](http://ec.europa.eu/dataprotectionofficer/privacystatement_publicprocurement_en.pdf).