

8.45 - 9.15 **Registration**

9.15 - 10.45 **Session 1 – The results of the LIFE-GHOST project**

Chair: L. Da Ros - Project Coordinator

Welcome and project overview
(*L. Da Ros - ISMAR*)

How to detect and remove abandoned or lost fishing gears and to assess their effects on biodiversity in high valuable seabed habitats
(*F. Riccato - Laguna Project*)

Management proposals for abandoned and dismissed fishing gear
(*E. Delaney - ISMAR*)

The economic value of biodiversity improvement in the *Tegnùe* habitat
(*S. Tonin - IUAV*)

Questions & Discussion

10.45 - 11.10 *Coffee break*

11.15 - 12.15 **Session 2 – European policies and global initiatives for the eco-sustainable management of fishing waste**

Chair: A. Cianciullo - La Repubblica

European Policies to reduce waste and abandoned fishing nets at sea
(*E. Priestland – Seas at Risk*)

Combating ALDFG and Ghost Fishing - Development of International Guidelines on Marking of Fishing Gear
(*P. Suuronen - FAO*)

Global Ghost Gear Initiative: a global initiative to combat ghost fishing
(*C. Abel - GGGI*)

12.15 - 13.15 **Session 3 – Local solutions for a global problem**

Chair: S. Greco - Scientific Consultant, Ministry of the Environment and Protection of Land and Sea

Marine litter: a growing problem demanding local solutions
(*A. Volckaert - Arcadis*)

A national initiative for the eco-sustainable management of the dismissed fishing nets
(*C. Salvestrini - Polieco*)

The role of local authorities in sharing LIFE-GHOST guidelines
(*E. Baldin – Council of the Veneto Region*)

Questions & Discussion

13.15 - 14.15 *Lunch*

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14.15 - 15.45 Panel Session: Innovative approaches for the reduction of marine litter and for fishermen and citizens involvement

Chair: A. Cianciullo - La Repubblica

The TARTALIFE Project: from protection of marine turtles to cooperation between researchers and fishermen
(A. Lucchetti - ISMAR)

REMORA: a contribution to reduce the loss of ghost nets in the sea
(A. Plasencia - Project Remora)

ECOALF: Upcycling the oceans
(P. Pacheco - Fundacion Ecoalf)

An innovative start-up for the production of 2nd generation synthetic fuels from marine plastic litter
(G.C. Faussone - Sintol)

How to involve citizens to promote individual responsibility on the issue of marine litter
(F. Santoro – IOC UNESCO)

15.45 - 16.30 Discussion & Conclusions

16.30 - 17.00 Farewell coffee/tea

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