

DUAL Ports Finale Conference ***Sign of the times***

Dear Madam/Sir,

We are pleased to invite you to the DUAL Ports Finale Conference, which will take place on **June 16th, 2022, in Brussels.**

DUAL Ports is an ERDF-funded project by the Interreg North Sea Region Programme.

The conference will bring together the DUAL Ports partners, representatives from the North Sea Region Programme, international representatives from the industry, civil society, public authorities, research organizations among others to learn from work, experience and results of 15 pilot projects in **sustainable port management.**

More specifically, we will present our work on reducing the environmental footprint of regional entrepreneurial ports, improving the sustainability of ports' operational and administration resources and promoting responsible growth and supporting innovation-oriented development.

SOIL, Hydrogen, Sediments, LED, Heat and LNG are some of the demonstrators that will be presented.

We trust that the results from DUAL Ports will be taken forward to shape the future for work with decarbonizing regional entrepreneurial ports.

The conference will comprise:

- Insights to DUAL Ports 15 pilot projects,
- Expert views on the challenges for small and medium size ports,
- An update on the work of the Interreg North Sea Region Programme,
- Presentations on the potential opportunities and future to enhance ports' energy efficiency and performance and facilitate low carbonization at reduced costs.

An important aim of this conference is to offer networking opportunities and foster debate among participants. Through your participation, you may explore further how to help minimize ports' environmental footprint and be part of future innovative solutions.

Conference admission is free of charge.

We look forward to seeing you.

Jan Allaert
on behalf of Port of Oostende

Read more about the North Sea Programme at <https://northsearegion.eu/> and the Dual Ports project at <http://WWW.northsearegion.eu/dual-ports> or at <http://WWW.dualports.eu>



Venue: Representation of Lower Saxony to the European Union, Rue Montoyer 61, 1000 Bruxelles

Date: June 16th, 2022

Moderator: Jens Henrik Møller, GEMBA

- 12.30 - 13.30: Registration and light lunch
- 13.30 - 13.35: Opening and welcome to DUAL Ports
Commercial Director Jan Allaert, Port of Oostende
- 13.35 - 13.45: Keynote from
Director Michael Freericks, Representation of Lower Saxony to the European Union
- 13.45 - 14.00: NSR Interreg programme, DUAL Ports and what to come?
CEO Christian Byrith, Interreg North Sea Region Programme
- 14.00 - 14.15: Key learnings from DUAL Ports
Partner Jens Henrik Møller, GEMBA
- 14.15 - 14.30: The future role for SME Ports: linking ports and communities
Coordinator Wim Stubbe, Circular Economy, Green and Smart Ports
- 14.30 - 15.45: The pilot show:
LED and Green Officer - Project Manager Matthäus Wuczkowski, Nports
SOIL - CEO Jan Jaap Cramer, Port of Vordingborg
HEAT - Director Martin Halkjær Kristensen, Hvide Sande Heating
FLOATING SOLAR & CABLE PROTECTION - CEO Polina Vasilenko, HelioRec/Greenpipe
- Q&A
- 15.45 - 16.00: Coffee break
- 16.00 - 16.15: DUAL Ports: the movie
- 16.15 - 16.30: DUAL Ports and how to fit?
Project officer Jesper Jönsson, Interreg North Sea Region Programme
- 16.30 - 17.15: The Outlook part:
Ports and new energy transition
Policy Advisor Valter Selen, The European Sea Ports Organisation (ESPO)
- The impact of ports on the uptake of hydrogen in commercial shipping
CEO Madadh MacLaine, Zestas
- Port development and considering future needs
CEO Willy Hansen, Port of Skagen
- Q&A
- 17.15 - 17.20: Closing and valorization of DUAL Ports
Commercial Director Jan Allaert, Port of Oostende
- 17.20 - 18.00: Informal drink reception

Sign up [here](#)

Please, register online before June 6th, 2022. You will receive a confirmation email. If we receive more registrations than the venue capacity, we may have to limit participation.

