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DAY ONE - Wednesday 15th October 2025

08:30 Coffee & Registration

09:30 Opening by Chairmen/Moderator

Christopher Wooldridge, Science Coordinator EcoPorts EcoSLC

Mark van der Veen, Director of the Graduate School of Business, University of Amsterdam

09:40 Welcome Address

Hon Dr Chris Bonett, Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Public Works

Kurt Farrugia, CEO, Transport Malta

Session 1.1: Developing a Sustainable Port Community

09:55 ESPO Environmental Report

Tim Verhoeven, Senior Policy Advisor – Sustainable Development, ESPO

10:20 ECOSLC Environmental Report

Marti Puig Duran, Chemical Engineer & University Lecturer, Polytechnic University of Catalonia

10:45 Question & Answer Session

11:00 Coffee & Networking

Session 2: Harboursing the Future: Infrastructure for a Stronger Port Ecosystem

Moderator: *Mark van der Veen, Director of the Graduate School of Business, University of Amsterdam*

11:30 The sH2unter@ports project

The sH2unter@ports project, consisting of six project partners ranging from port operators and rail transport companies to research institutes, investigated the conversion of shunting operations in the ports of Hamburg and Bremerhaven to climate-neutral drives.

Insa Pohlenga, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Ports and Transformation, Unit 32 – Environmental and Climate Matters, Free Hanseatic City of Bremen

11:45 Port of Hamburg as a Centre for Green Hydrogen

Manfred Lebmeier, Senior Environmental Advisor, Hamburg Port Authority



*invited

12:00 How targeted lubrication strategies can support sustainability in the port industry

Klüber Lubrication helped VLI cut energy use by over 5%, reduce CO₂ emissions, and extend equipment life through a gear oil upgrade, enhancing efficiency and sustainability in port operations

Christian Kiefer, Business Development Manager, Klüber Lubrication

12:15 The BlueBARGE Project

The BlueBARGE Project addresses the design, development, and demonstration of an optimum power-barge solution to support offshore power supply to moored and anchored vessels, limiting local polluting emissions and global GHG footprint in a life cycle perspective, following a modular, scalable, adaptable, and flexible design approach.

Ignacio Benitez, PhD, Senior Project Manager - Innovation & Port Cluster Development, Fundacion Valenciaport

12:30 Question & Answer Session

12:45 Lunch & Networking

3.1 Renewables, Reclamation & Responsible Economic Growth	3.2 Workshop 1
Moderator: <i>Christopher Wooldridge, Science Coordinator EcoPorts EcoSLC</i> 14:10 Nature-Based Solutions A promising future for ports amidst an increasingly complex political, environmental, and economic landscape. <i>Niels van Kouwen, Maritime and Resilience Consultant/ Specialist, Haskoning</i> 14:25 ISO Guidance on In-Water Cleaning The upcoming ISO 6319 standard will guide ports in approving in-water hull cleaning, preventing invasive species spread and reducing emissions through improved hull smoothness and reduced fuel use. <i>Irene O. Tvedten PhD, Senior Advisor, Bellona Foundation</i> 14:40 Dredging for Sustainable Infrastructure: The Port Focus <i>Arnold de Bruijn, Director, IADC</i> 14:55 Malta Freeport's Reclamation Project A look into the significant land reclamation project for Terminal 2 expansion. <i>David Magro, CEO, Malta Freeport Corporation</i> 15:10 Question & Answer Session	Moderator: <i>Marti Puig Duran, Chemical Engineer & University Lecturer, Polytechnic University of Catalonia</i> Circular Economy Strategies and Indicators for Sustainable Port Development The workshop will explore: What is the role of circular economy in port sustainability? How can ports measure circularity through meaningful indicators? What are the benefits of integrating circular strategies into port operations and reporting? And how can ports foster innovation and collaboration through circular practices? <i>Note: workshops must be booked in advance due to limited numbers. Please contact the team at info@greenportcongress.com to confirm.</i> 15:10 Question & Answer Session

15:30 Coffee & Networking

4. Ports of the Future.

Innovation, energy transition and new roles for the port beyond 2050. This session will look into global and regional challenges, and a look at the ambition of Europe operating in a global context.

Moderator: *Dr. Mark van der Veen*, Director of the Graduate School of Business, University of Amsterdam

16:00 *Edvard Molitor*, Head of International Public Affairs and Sustainability, Port of Gothenburg & Chair, IAPH Climate and Energy Committee
Tim Verhoeven, Senior Policy Advisor Sustainable Development, EcoPorts Coördinator, ESPO
Jan Egbertsen, Manager - Innovation, Port of Amsterdam
Koen Hamels, Port Environment Advisor, Port of Antwerp-Bruges

4.2 Workshop 2

Moderators: *Chris Wooldridge*, Science Coordinator EcoPorts EcoSLC

Calming the Waters – Delivering Sustainable Cruise Operations*

This workshop will explore both the positive impacts and contentious challenges of cruise operations—shifting the focus from purely economic concerns to the environmental, social, and cultural dimensions of sustainability. Key questions to be debated:

- What challenges and strategic recommendations could shape sustainability in the cruise industry?
- How can we bridge the gap between policy and practice to better support local communities and economies?

**Note: We are limited to 35 participants per workshop.*

17:00 Day 1 Round Up with Chairs

17:15 Conference Close

19:00 Conference Dinner - Hosted by Transport Malta

Join us for 3 courses in Taste History. On arrival guests will be welcomed with a glass of prosecco followed by flowing wine and water served throughout the experience. The menu will be thematic and historical with chefs providing a bespoke menu as researched by their curatorial team.
Fort St. Angelo, Malta



DAY TWO - Thursday 16th October 2025

08:30 Coffee & Registration

09:00 Opening by Chairman/Moderator

Christopher Wooldridge, Science Coordinator EcoPorts EcoSLC

09:10 Keynote 1: Strategy for Resilience and Decarbonisation

Challenges for EU ports from the perspective of Port Authorities and Terminals are particularly relevant, this session will look at macro and micro challenges faced by members, and outline their expectations at a time when the European Commission is developing the EU Ports Strategy.

Panel Moderator: *Christopher Wooldridge, Science Coordinator EcoPorts EcoSLC*

Panellists include:

Isabelle Ryckbost, Secretary General, ESPO

Lamia Kerdjoudj, Secretary General, FEPORT

09:40 1.2 Plug in for the Planet: Shore Power Contracts and the Path to Implementation

Panel Moderator: *Robert A Vassallo, Senior Manager Legal, EU and International Affairs - Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta*

Panellists include:

Joseph Camilleri, Partner, Mamo TCV Associates

Georg Matzku, Director Shore Power, NatPower Marine

Tom Hennig, Chief Strategy Officer, Ventus Next Gruppe / CEO, Venus Maritime

Andreas Slotte, Head of Sustainability and HSEQ, MBA, CBM, Port of Helsinki

10:25 Coffee & Networking

Session 5: Managing Cyber Risk in Automating Processes

10:50 Panel Moderator: *Nicolette van der Jagt, Director-General, CLECAT*

Panellists include:

Lamia Kerdjoudj, Secretary General, FEPORT

Jon Kuiper, Senior Policy Advisor – Dutch Supply Chain Digitalisation, Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure

12:10 Closing remarks with chairs

12:20 Lunch & Networking

Handover to Day 1 of Decarbonising The Future

Including the following sessions:

- 2030 and Beyond: Steering European Ports Towards Emissions Compliance and Growth
- Regulating for the Future: A Framework for Greener Seas and Smarter Ports
- Delivering Energy Infrastructure for a Carbon-Neutral Maritime Sector
- The Port Gridlock: Can National Energy Systems Support Electrified Harbours?

Featuring speakers from Port of Oslo, Port of Helsinki, Port of Koper, Valletta Cruise Port and more.

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16:00 Boat tour of Valletta Grand Harbour

A boat port tour of Valletta's Grand Harbour and a chance to see Phase 1 of Malta's OPS port electrification projects in action. With over 73 vessel connections in one operational year, this port tour will also give delegates an insight into Phase 2 and what's in store for future cargo and RoPax vessel connections.

19:00 Networking Drinks - Hosted by Transport Malta

The **Networking Reception** is a networking icebreaker, which provides the perfect opportunity to consider the topics and working groups during the previous two days.

Gardjola Gardens, Senglea, Malta



DAY THREE - Friday 17th October 2025 - PORT TOUR

14:10 A coach tour to Port of Marsaxlokk run by Malta Freeport Corporation which will showcase the plans for the Phase 1 construction and Phase 2 tender.

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