

**BioBridge's 25th Anniversary year 2014**

## **Marine Bioresources Interested Colleagues**

**NEWS BULLETIN July 2014**

*News from the Marine Biotechnology ERA-NET, which followed the preparatory action CSA MarineBiotech project <http://www.marinebiotech.eu> that was managed by BioBridge:*

### **ERA-MarineBiotech stakeholder open consultation**

The Marine Biotechnology ERA-NET has launched an open consultation for marine researchers, industrial stakeholders and policy makers to help get a better overview of the existing interactions between the industry and academia in the area of marine biotechnology. In particular, the aim is to identify the needs and gaps in such interactions.

**The questionnaire is open until 15 August 2014**

To access the questionnaire please visit

<http://www.marinebiotech.eu/news-and-events/era-news/open-stakeholder-consultation>

### **1st ERA-MarineBiotech stakeholder meeting 28-29 October 2014, Lisbon**

<http://www.marinebiotech.eu/news-and-events/era-news/save-date-first-marine-biotechnology-era-net-stakeholder-meeting>

*News from the PharmaSea project in which BioBridge is a partner:*

### **PharmaSea at the UN**

The project was represented in June at a meeting of the **United Nations Working Group on Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction**, collaborating in a side event with IUCN, MarBank and MicroB3 Research and **Development on Marine Genetic Resources - Current Practices within the Marine Scientific Community**. Information on the UN process can be found at

<http://www.un.org/depts/los/biodiversityworkinggroup/biodiversityworkinggroup.htm>

### **PharmaSea – Open Scientific meeting**

The PharmaSea project's 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly at the Stazione Zoologica 'Anton Dohrn' in Naples, Italy, 7– 9 Sept 2014. Part of the meeting is **open to potential end users and other parties with an interest in the discovery of new chemical entities from marine microorganisms with potential pharmaceutical, cosmeceutical or nutraceutical applications**. For more information and the up to date programme please visit [http://www.pharma-sea.eu/events-calendar.html?page=1&maxPerPage=all#event\\_160](http://www.pharma-sea.eu/events-calendar.html?page=1&maxPerPage=all#event_160)

### **PharmaSea workshop at EFIB 2014**

PharmaSea will hold a full day conference 'Building Blue Biotech Capacity in Europe' on 30 Sept 2014, Reims, France, the day before EFIB main sessions begin. For more information and the latest programme please visit <http://www.efibforum.com/workshops.aspx>. Please contact **BioBridge** if you wish to attend.

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### **Other news**

#### **CIESM Charter on ABS (Access and Benefit Sharing)**

with 9 key principles covering bioprospecting <http://www.ciesm.org/marine/charter/CIESMCharter.pdf>  
Marine researchers can endorse the charter if they agree with it at  
<http://ciesm.org/marine/charter/index.php>

#### **SUBMARINER Network for Blue Growth founded**

to promote innovative approaches to the sustainable use of marine resources. It is a cooperation platform for related actors and initiatives in the Baltic Sea Region and has now been established as a European Economic Interest Grouping (eeig). [www.submariner-network.eu](http://www.submariner-network.eu)

#### **NERC Impact Awards**

NERC wants to recognise and reward researchers and their environmental science. There are four categories: economic, societal, international and early career; with an overall winner as well. More information at <http://www.nerc.ac.uk/latest/events/impact/>

#### **Pera Technology Horizon 2020 Competition Call**

**Closing date 31 August 2014.** If you're an SME engineering and manufacturing businesses, enter the competition for free at [www.peratechnology.com/h2020comp](http://www.peratechnology.com/h2020comp). This could give you £10K for consultancy help to make an application to the EU's H2020 science and innovation fund <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en>. Once a prototype is developed, Horizon 2020 will give SMEs access to potential investors from across Europe and further afield.

#### **Industrial Biotech centre offers funding for innovative projects**

The Exemplar Programme, run by the Industrial Biotechnology Innovation Centre (IBioIC), <http://www.ibioic.com/exemplarprogramme.htm> has opened for its second round of applications. The Centre is seeking bids for industrially led projects that will show a commercial benefit within 12 months. The Industrial Biotechnology Innovation Centre hosted at the University of Strathclyde is offering funding of up to £125,000 for business-led projects in the sector. More information at <http://www.ibioic.com/showNews.php>

#### **CBMNet Crossing Biological Membranes Network**

##### **Funding calls and event**

**Deadline for Proof-of-Concept Funding 22.8.2014**

CBMNet First Annual Conference: September 9th & 10th 2014, Sheffield, UK.

'Grand Challenges in Crossing Biological Membranes'

<http://us8.campaign-archive2.com/?u=d6594f1a6a126326287b5cd71&id=8e1636d16e>

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### **SUPERGEN Bioenergy Hub - Small Grant Fund**

Call issued and proposals are invited for research-related activities which support the SUPERGEN Bioenergy hub's core objectives. More information at [www.supergen-bioenergy.net/home/Publications/Conference%20papers%20and%20presentations/?file=539820ea43fd5b6c0f000000](http://www.supergen-bioenergy.net/home/Publications/Conference%20papers%20and%20presentations/?file=539820ea43fd5b6c0f000000)

### **PHYCONET: unlocking the IB potential of microalgae**

PHYCONET is a BBSRC NIBB (Network in Industrial Biotechnology and Bioenergy), a UK-wide, industry-focused network enabling biologists, engineers and industrial partners to consolidate their knowledge and expertise to unlock the IB potential of microalgae. **Funding** is available in the form of BBSRC NIBB Business Interaction Vouchers and Proof of Concept funds for PHYCONET members. More information is at <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/algae/PHYCONET>

**InteSusAl** The overall objective of InteSusAl is to demonstrate an integrated approach to generate biofuels from algae in a sustainable manner on an industrial scale. For more information <http://intesusal-algae.eu/home/>

### **European Maritime day was held In Bremen 19-20 May 2014**

For the programme and presentations please visit:

<http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/maritimeday/en/programme-schedule>

### **Consumer Products through Industrial Biotechnology across the Value Chain was held in June 2014**

For the brochure and presentations please visit:

<https://connect.innovateuk.org/web/industrial-biotechnology/article-view/-/blogs/consumer-products-through-industrial-biotechnology-across-the-value-chain-event-booklet-presentations->

**Phycologist with unique experience in cold water algae seeks postdoc** in 12 months' time.

Please contact BioBridge in the first instance

### **PhD opportunities**

PhD studentship at Scottish Association for Marine Sciences: algal surfactants

<http://www.sams.ac.uk/education/postgraduate/new-phd-project-on-algal-surfactants>

***Dates for your diary***

**Algal Biotechnology Sheffield Symposium 26 August 2014, University of Sheffield**

<https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/algae/symposium>

**i-SUP2014 1-3 September 2014, Antwerp (Belgium) Industry & Innovative Sustainable Production  
Growth & Sustainability** <https://2014.i-sup.org/Pages/default.aspx>

**PharmaSea – Open Scientific meeting-7– 9 Sept 2014 Naples, Italy.** [www.pharma-sea.eu](http://www.pharma-sea.eu)

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**The deadline for registrations is August 15th 2014.**

<http://us8.campaign-archive2.com/?u=d6594f1a6a126326287b5cd71&id=8e1636d16e>

**World Ocean Council Business Forum on Ocean Policy and Planning 29-30 September 2014, New York**

[http://www.oceancouncil.org/site/business\\_forum/](http://www.oceancouncil.org/site/business_forum/)

**EFIB 2014 30 Sept-2 Oct 2014, Reims, France** <http://www.efibforum.com/home.aspx>

PharmaSea Pre-conference workshop 30 September <http://www.efibforum.com/workshops.aspx>

**'Rendezvous de Concarneau - where Industry meets Science' 9-10 Oct 2014, Concarneau France**

<http://concarneau.mnhn.fr/node/429>

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**BioMarine 2014 Business Convention, 30-31 Oct 2014 in Cascais, Portugal**

<http://www.biomarine.org/cascais-2014/>

**Focus on Frontiers in Industrial Biotechnology 17-19 November London**

[http://www.efb-central.org/index.php/Main/focus\\_on\\_frontiers\\_in\\_industrial\\_biotechnology](http://www.efb-central.org/index.php/Main/focus_on_frontiers_in_industrial_biotechnology)

**Natural Product Biotechnology 2014, 18-20 Nov 2014 in Inverness, Scotland** <http://icnpb.org/>

Early-bird rate available to 31 August 2014 <http://icnpb.org/registration/>

**BIOPROSP\_15 18-20 Feb 2015, Tromsø, Norway** <http://mabit.no/bioprospp>

**9th ECMNP (European Conference of Marine Natural Products) 24-28 Aug 2015, Glasgow, Scotland**

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