

BioBridge's 25th Anniversary year 2014

For Marine Bioresources Interested Colleagues

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Industrial Biotechnology Leadership Forum (IBLF) Awards

A business competition for early stage biotech SMEs focusing on a biobased technology or process and would like raise their profile and access resources to springboard their business.

Deadline for applications (video submissions) 28 November 2014

<http://ibts.meeting-mojo.com/page/awards>

Call announcement: first transnational call for research projects
"The development of biorefinery processes for marine biomaterials"

Aim of the call is to stimulate joint European research and development activities in marine biotechnology. Collaborative projects related to "The development of biorefinery processes for marine bioresources" should include researchers from the academic and the industrial sector. Funding will be granted for a maximum of 3 years according to national regulations.

Timeline

Pre-proposal submission deadline 10 December 2014

Full proposal for invited consortia submission deadline by **30 April 2015**. Projects are expected to start at the end of 2015 / beginning of 2016. For text and guidelines of the call please visit

<http://www.marinebiotech.eu/first-transnational-call>

If you're interested in building or being part of a consortia and would like introductions to others, please let BioBridge know.

ENABLE European Gram-negative Antibacterial Engine
Call for Gram negative anti-infective programmes

<http://nd4bb-enable.eu/>

Next deadline for submission of Expressions of Interest 19 December 2014

Marine Biotechnology and the utilisation of Marine Bioresources:
Mapping existing training/ education and gap analysis

The Marine Biotechnology ERA-NET has a target to help promote training and education in marine biotechnology and use of marine bioresources, and has designed a survey for mapping existing activities and programmes and identifying needs and gaps relevant for research and commercial activity. In addition to scientist and industrial respondents, ERA-MBT is also looking for respondents involved in management/business skills aspects and in the technical areas relevant for MBT. Please go to <http://www.marinebiotech.eu/training-survey> to complete the survey.

Deadline is January 5th 2015 - your input will be very important for future strategy

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The ERA-MBT's first newsletter can be downloaded at <http://www.marinebiotech.eu/news-and-events/announcements/first-era-mbt-newsletter-available>

Presentations from the **1st ERA-MBT stakeholder meeting 28th - 29th October 2014, Lisbon (including Meredith Lloyd- Evans speaking on 'Who are investing in marine biotech?')** are available at <http://www.marinebiotech.eu/stakeholder-meeting-presentations>

News from EU-funded PharmaSea project <http://www.pharma-sea.eu/> in which BioBridge is a partner.

PharmaSea at Natural Product Biotechnology 2014

for people with interests in high value natural products, their application in drug discovery, foods and nutraceuticals, personal care products and cosmeceuticals, and other biotech applications.

Meredith Lloyd-Evans represented PharmaSea 18-20 November 2014, Inverness, Scotland

For programme please visit <http://icnpb.org/>

PharmaSea at EFIB 2014

PharmaSea held a full day conference 'Building Blue Biotech Capacity in Europe' at EFIB 2014. Meredith represented and presented PharmaSea at a well-attended EFIB. The programme is available at

<http://www.efibforum.com/workshops.aspx>

Other news

PHYCONET website goes live <http://www.phyconet.org.uk/>

PHYCONET is a Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council Network in Industrial Biotechnology and Bioenergy (BBSRC NIBB), a UK-based network enabling biologists, engineers and industrial partners to consolidate their knowledge and expertise to unlock the IB potential of microalgae.

Operating over the course of five years, the focus of PHYCONET is on producing high value products from microalgae (including cyanobacteria) industrially cultivated in an intensive and controlled manner using photobioreactor and fermentor-based technologies.

Membership application and terms and conditions are available at

<http://www.phyconet.org.uk/membership>

Dates for your diary

The **European Biomass Industry Association & Algadisk project Open Algae Workshop** was held
12 November 2014, in Brussels
<http://www.eubia.org/index.php/news-events/185-open-algae-workshop-in-brussels>

Focus on Frontiers in Industrial Biotechnology was held **17-19 November, in London**
http://www.efb-central.org/index.php/Main/focus_on_frontiers_in_industrial_biotechnology

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

Industrial Biotechnology Leadership Forum (IBLF) showcase, 11-12 February 2015, in London
<http://ibts.meeting-mojo.com/>

BIOPROSP_15 18-20 February 2015, in Tromsø, Norway <http://mabit.no/bioprosop>

**Marine Micr'Omics for Biotech Applications - Decoding marine microbes and their amazing functions -
Madrid, Spain, 30-31 March 2015**

A compact workshop providing insights to challenges and opportunities in the use of Omics and cultivation techniques for biotechnology. Bioinformatics tools as well as legal aspects will be presented by speakers from industry and academia. <http://www.microb3.eu/events/workshops/micro-b3-macumba-pharmasea-industry-expert-workshop>

**9th ECMNP (European Conference of Marine Natural Products) 30 August-2 September 2015, in
Glasgow, Scotland** <http://ecmnp2015.com/>

This will also be the PharmaSea project's 2015 Annual Conference – details to follow

EFIB 2015, 20-22 October 2015, in Madrid, Spain <http://www.efibforum.com/home.aspx>

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