

# THE EUROPEAN BLUE ECONOMY CONFERENCE 2023

Technology & innovation's role in supporting  
a sustainable blue economy in Europe

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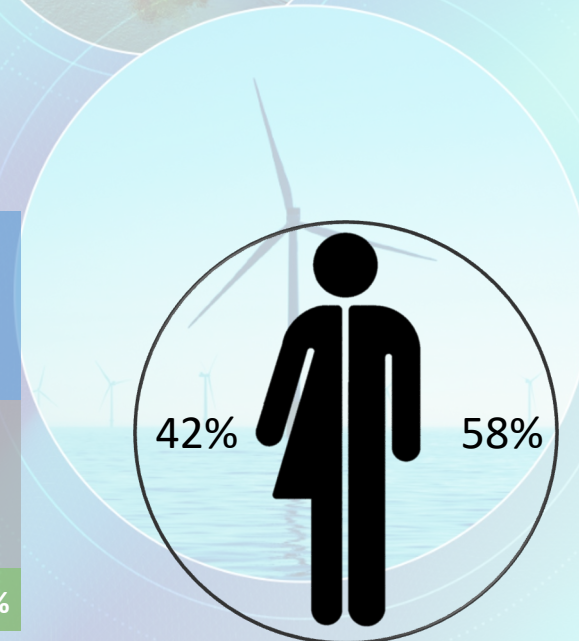
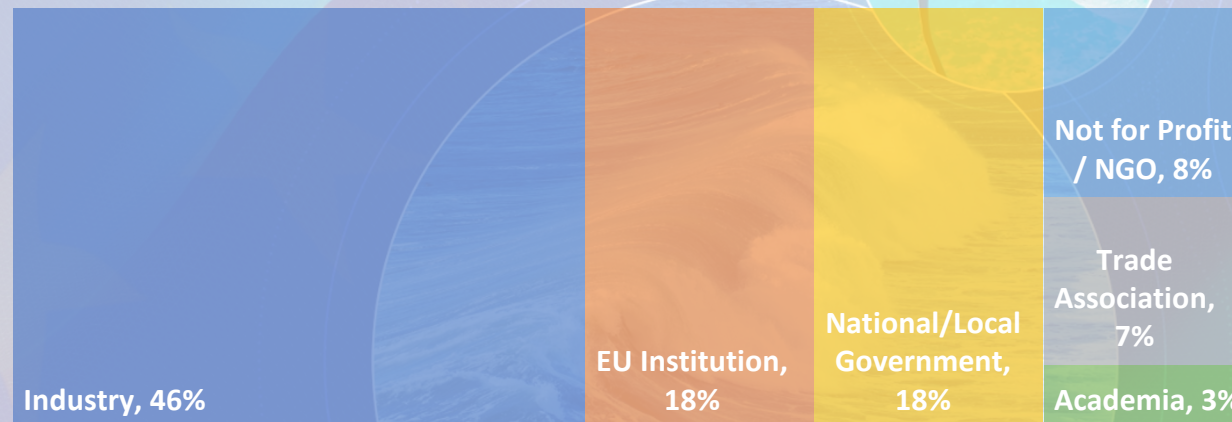
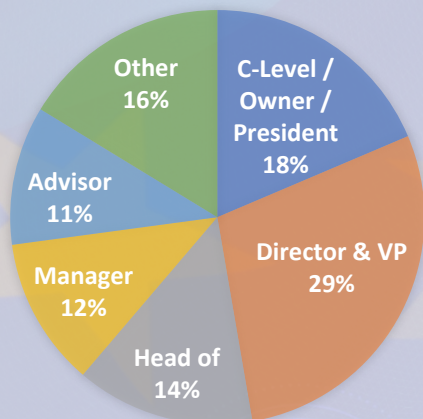


# Overview

The European Blue Economy conference featured over 150 delegates and a notably diverse forum of speakers. The conference successfully explored concepts, ideas, challenges and opportunities on the role that technology and innovation can play in supporting a sustainable blue economy in Europe. Across two interactive keynote sessions and three panel discussions, speakers were able to discuss the most pertinent issues for our industry including;

- **Harnessing Marine and Offshore Renewable Energy for a Climate Neutral Future**
- **The Green and Digital Transformation of the Shipping and Maritime Industry**
- **Solutions to Remove Ocean Plastic Pollution**

# Demographics



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Conference Rapporteur

# Participating organizations

AmCham EU	European Commission – DG MARE	Institute for China-Europe Studies	Project Management Juelich
APCO Worldwide	European Commission – DG ENER	International Windship Association	Region Sud-PACA EU Representation Office to Brussels
Arkeocean	European Commission – DG ENV	Italian Ministry of Universities and Research	RISE Purpose
Assarmatori Shipowners Association	European Commission – DG MOVE	KPMG	Royal Caribbean Group
Avisa Partners	European Parliament	Methanol Institute	Téthys Naval
Blue Cluster	European Sea Ports Organisation	MSC Group	The Great Bubble Barrier
Blue Pelican Capital	EY	North Sea Port	The Research Council of Norway
Cleantech Region Impact Group	FIPRA	NTT Data	The World Ocean Council
CLIA – Cruise Lines International Association	Geomatys	Permanent Representation of Estonia to the EU	ULB
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"The event was well organised and attentively responsive to needs and it was a great place to network. It was fascinating to listen to stakeholders' exchanging their experiences, (industry) points of views as well as plans on how the maritime industry can and will continue contribute to the Green Deal objectives."

**Advisor, CINEA, European Commission**

"A collaborative spirit and an unusually positive vibe when addressing one of our major challenges and opportunities – protecting and harnessing the power of our oceans "

**Managing Partner, RISE Purpose**