

SIDE EVENT AGENDA

For a European Ocean Pact

15th of April, 14.00-14:50, Multifunctional Room Round Table Events 2,
Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center

Lead: Europe Jacques Delors

Co-organizers: Oceano Azul Foundation

The side event aims to present the Manifesto for a European Ocean Pact, an initiative led by Europe Jacques Delors and the Oceano Azul Foundation with the support of a group of high-level stakeholders. The aim of the manifesto is to drive forward a bold, comprehensive and fit-for-purpose agenda for ocean sustainability in the upcoming European Commission, recognising the urgent need to regenerate our ocean and its intrinsic link with the prosperity of our societies and the competitiveness of our economies.

Mr. Pascal Lamy, Europe Jacques Delors' Vice-President and Chairman of the stakeholder group, will introduce the European Ocean Pact, its ambition and the reasons why an ambitious and forward looking European ocean strategy is so critically needed. The Manifesto will then be presented in three interventions:

- A strong and competitive European sustainable blue economy by **Mrs. Maria Damanaki**, former EU Commissioner for 'Maritime Affairs and Fisheries';*
- Protecting and restoring our ocean and waters and fighting against pollution by **Mrs. Geneviève Pons**, Europe Jacques Delors' Vice-President and Director General and co-Vice-Chairman of the stakeholder group;*
- Improving the European ocean governance and the EU geostrategic approach to the ocean, and developing ocean knowledge and citizen awareness by **Mr. Tiago Pitta e Cunha**, co-Vice Chair of the stakeholder group and CEO of the Oceano Azul.*

*Conclusive remarks will be provided by **Mrs. Catherine Chabaud** MEP and member of the group, who will also announce the event 'Towards a European Ocean Pact' at the European Parliament on Wed. April 17th.*



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Chairperson: Mr. Pascal Lamy

| Time (from-to) | <i>Title of intervention/presentation</i> Name, Affiliation |
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| 14:00 – 14:10 | <i>Introducing the Manifesto for a European Ocean Pact</i> Mr. Pascal Lamy , Europe Jacques Delors’ Vice-President and Chair of the European Ocean Pact stakeholder group |
| 14:10 – 14:33 | <i>A strong and competitive European sustainable blue economy (I)</i> Mrs. Maria Damanaki , former European Commissioner for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries and member of the European Ocean Pact stakeholder group |
| | <i>Protecting and restoring our ocean and waters (II) and fighting against pollution (III)</i> Mrs. Geneviève Pons , Europe Jacques Delors’ Vice-President and Director General and co-Vice-Chair of the European Ocean Pact stakeholder group |
| | <i>Improving the ocean governance (IV) and developing ocean knowledge and citizen awareness (V)</i> Mr. Tiago Pitta e Cunha , CEO of the Oceano Azul Foundation and co-Vice Chair of the European Ocean Pact stakeholder group |



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| 14:33 – 14:40 | <i>Closing remarks on the European Ocean Pact and announcement of the EP event (17.04)</i> Mrs. Catherine Chabaud , MEP and member of the European Ocean Pact stakeholder group |
| 14:40 - 14:50 | <i>Official presentation of the Manifesto for a European Ocean Pact and signature</i> <i>Q&A session</i> |