



# LIFE ARTINA PROJECT

Final Conference

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- Agenda -

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## DAY 1 - Tuesday, May 9

Session 1: Rat eradication from large (inhabited) islands

Session 2a: Census methods for burrow-nesting seabirds

Session 2b: Community involvement in seabird conservation

## DAY 2 - Wednesday, May 10

Session 3: Designation & Management of Marine Protected Areas

Session 4a: Conservation of Audouin's gull in Central and Eastern Mediterranean

Session 4b: Marine Toolkit

## DAY 3 - Thursday, May 11

Field trip



# DAY 1 - Tuesday, May 9

Start time: 09:00

## Welcome & Introduction

- 09:00 - 09:30 Registration**
- 09:30 - 09:40 Welcome speech**  
*Ivana Jelenić & Gabrijela Šestani (Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development)*
- 09:40 - 09:50 Welcome and introduction to the conference**  
*Željka Rajković (BIOM)*
- 09:50 - 10:05 From one LIFE to another – conservation work on seabirds in Malta**  
*Nicholas Barbara (BirdLife Malta)*
- 10:05 - 10:30 Overview of LIFE Artina project and its results**  
*Željka Rajković (BIOM)*
- 10:30 - 11:00 COFFEE BREAK**  
Videos on aerial baiting on Tremiti and Tavolara

## Session 1: Rat eradication from large (inhabited) islands

- 11:00 - 11:30 Tackling rodents on Italian islands: different methods for different situations**  
*Paolo Sposimo (NEMO)*
- 11:30 - 11:45 LIFE Artina - Rat eradication work in the Lastovo Archipelago**  
*Dries Engelen (BIOM)*
- 11:45 - 12:05 Best practice examples of Biosecurity in the U.K. and Australia**  
*Jaclyn Pearson (Wildlife Trust & RSPB )*
- 12:05 - 12:20 Feasibility assessment for Black rat eradication on Sušac island, Croatia**  
*Martin Austad (BirdLife Malta)*



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## Session 1: Rat eradication from large (inhabited) islands

12:20 - 13:15 **Discussion: Next steps in Croatia/ Adriatic/ Mediterranean**  
Moderator: Ivana Selanec (BIOM)

13:15 - 14:15 LUNCH

## Parallel sessions

### Session 2a: Census methods for burrow-nesting seabirds

### Session 2b: Community involvement in seabird conservation

14:15 - 14:35 **Session 2a Monitoring and estimating colony sizes of burrow-nesting seabirds: relevance to red lists and understanding trends**  
Antonio Volcano (BirdLife Europe & Central Asia)

**Session 2b Community involvement in seabird conservation**  
Jaclyn Pearson (WildLife Trust & RSPB)

14:35 - 14:50 **Session 2a LIFE Artina - Yelkouan and Scopoli's shearwater censuses**  
Dries Engelen (BIOM)

**Session 2b Community involvement through LIFE Artina**  
Bruna Đuković (PI NP Lastovo Islands)

14:50 - 15:05 **Session 2a Estimating population size of burrow-nesting seabirds on the Maltese Islands, with a focus on acoustic monitoring**  
Martin Austad (BirdLife Malta)

**Session 2b Improving community engagement in marine conservation projects: case studies in Portugal**  
Tânia Nascimento (SPEA)



# DAY 1 - Tuesday, May 9

## Session 2a: Census methods for burrow-nesting seabirds

## Session 2b: Community involvement in seabird conservation

15:05 - 15:15    Session 2a    **Very concise overviews of census work carried out in Greece, Italy and Spain**  
Danae Portolou (HOS), Nicola Baccetti (ISPRA), Paulo Lago (SEO)

**Session 2b    Tackling rodents on Italian islands: Engagement of island communities**  
Paolo Sposimo (NEMO)

15:15 - 15:45    COFFEE BREAK

15:45 - 16:30    Session 2a    **Discussion: Census methods and their implications for conservation**  
Moderator: Sven Kapelj (BIOM)

**Session 2b    Discussion: How to improve community involvement in seabird conservation?**  
Moderator: Željka Rajković (BIOM)

departure from the hotel at 18:30    DINNER IN TROGIR



## DAY 2 - Wednesday, May 10

Start time: 09:00

### Welcome and introduction

### Session 3: Designation & Management of Marine Protected Areas

- 09:00 - 09:25 **BirdLife International Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas (IBAs): a case study in Croatia, with an overview of the history, criteria and tools for implementation**  
*Jonathan Handley (BirdLife International)*
- 09:25 - 09:45 **IBA designations through LIFE Artina and considerations for management**  
*Željka Rajković (BIOM)*
- 09:45 - 10:15 **Ecological recovery, classification and management of the Praia islet nature reserve (Azores, Portugal)**  
*Pedro Manuel Lopes dos Santos Raposo (Government of Azores)*
- 10:15 - 10:30 **Assessing and tackling seabird bycatch in Mediterranean MPAs: replication of good practises/experiences through Life PanPuffinus!**  
*Paulo Lago (SEO)*
- 10:30 - 11:00 **COFFEE BREAK**  
Video on bycatch in Croatia
- 11:00 - 12:00 **Discussion: MPA Management and designation**  
*Moderator: Zrinka Jakl (Sunce)*
- 12:00 - 13:00 **LUNCH**



## DAY 2 - Wednesday, May 10

### Parallel sessions

#### Session 4a: Conservation of Audouin's gull in Central and Eastern Mediterranean

#### Session 4b: Marine Toolkit

- 13:00 - 13:30 Session 4a **What Audouin's gulls taught us over the past 35 years?**  
Daniel Oro (CEAB)
- 13:00 - 16:00 Session 4b **The Marine Toolkit mini-workshop: a practical session supporting the toolkit development, with a focus on identification of Mediterranean-wide priority conservation sites (IBAs) for Yelkouan Shearwaters.**  
Jonathan Handley (BirdLife International)
- 13:30 - 14:00 Session 4a **Monitoring & conservation of Audouin's gull in Italy, during the last 26 years**  
Nicola Baccetti (ISPRA)
- 14:00 - 14:10 Session 4a **Status of Audouin's gull in Croatia**  
Dries Engelen (BIOM)
- 14:10 - 14:20 Session 4a **Status of Audouin's gull in Greece**  
Danae Portolou (HOS)
- 14:20 - 14:35 Session 4a **LIFE Ilhas Barreira: Conservation and management of Audouin's gull and Little Tern in South Portugal**  
Tânia Nascimento (SPEA)
- 14:35 - 15:05  
**COFFEE BREAK**  
Video on Audouin's gull monitoring in Italy
- 15:05 - 16:00 Session 4a **Discussion: Future conservation efforts AG in the region**  
Moderator: Antonio Vulcano (BirdLife Europe & Central Asia)



## DAY 3 - Thursday, May 11

09:30 - 16:30

### FIELD VISIT

Boat trip to Šolta (passing one of the newly designated IBAs/ SPAs) with lunch







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