

TRANSNATIONAL NETWORKING EVENT

INVITATION

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries, in cooperation with the **Public Institution RERA S.D.**, organizes and is pleased to invite you to the **Transnational networking event** of the **ARIEL PLUS project**, **Interreg ADRION**, which will be held on

**25 August 2022 (Thursday) starting at 09:00am at the hotel President
(Ul. Ante Starčevića 1, 21000 Split)**

The Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries, together with 5 partners from Italy, Greece, Montenegro and Croatia, participates in the implementation of the ARIEL PLUS project, which is funded by the EU within the ADRION Transnational Cooperation Program.

The main goal of the ARIEL PLUS project is the maximization, transferability and sustainability of the main outcomes of ARIEL towards the stakeholders of small coastal fisheries and aquaculture within and outside the Adriatic and Ionian area, using future initiatives and investments in smart blue development (so-called Blue growth) and sustainable growth of coastal communities. The project intends to make the best use of the approach, tactics and tools developed in three years of joint implementation of ARIEL, capitalizing and expanding the knowledge network, as well as cooperation between local/regional/national public authorities, research bodies, socio-economic entities in small coastal fisheries and aquaculture.

The Transnational Networking event aims to share and discuss with local and international stakeholder the ARIEL PLUS transnational contribution to leverage future initiatives and investments on small-scale fisheries and aquaculture sectors.

The event also intends to explore synergies with other ongoing projects dealing with new ideas development for the fisheries and aquaculture sectors.

Best regards,

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