



## Blue Economy Open Call & Acceleration Programme

Thursday, 8 July 2021

In the framework of the implementation of the Common Maritime Agenda for the Black Sea, the Black Sea Virtual Knowledge Centre (BSVVC), in cooperation with the DIGICIRC project (H2020) and the Black Sea Assistance Mechanism (BSAM), have organised a webinar addressed to SMEs/Start-ups functioning in the wider Black Sea region that aim at addressing specific challenges in the domain of Blue Economy by leveraging digital tools to develop cutting-edge solutions based on circular economy values.

The webinar came as a follow up of the regional webinar on R&I towards cultivating the potential for Blue Entrepreneurship in the Black Sea. It has provided the opportunity for SMEs of the region to dive deeper and receive hints and tips on how to apply for the DIGICIRC's Blue Economy open call and collaborate with SME's beyond the region. Additionally, it increased appetite for private investments in a sustainable Blue Economy across the Black Sea Region, an important step in the support to local business ecosystems.

### Agenda

11:00 – 11:10	Welcome by BSAM NH and CONNECT
11:10 – 11:30	Blue economy open call by DIGICIRC Team
11:30 – 11:55	Q&A session moderated by BSAM NH
11:55 – 12:00	BSVVC as a regional platform