

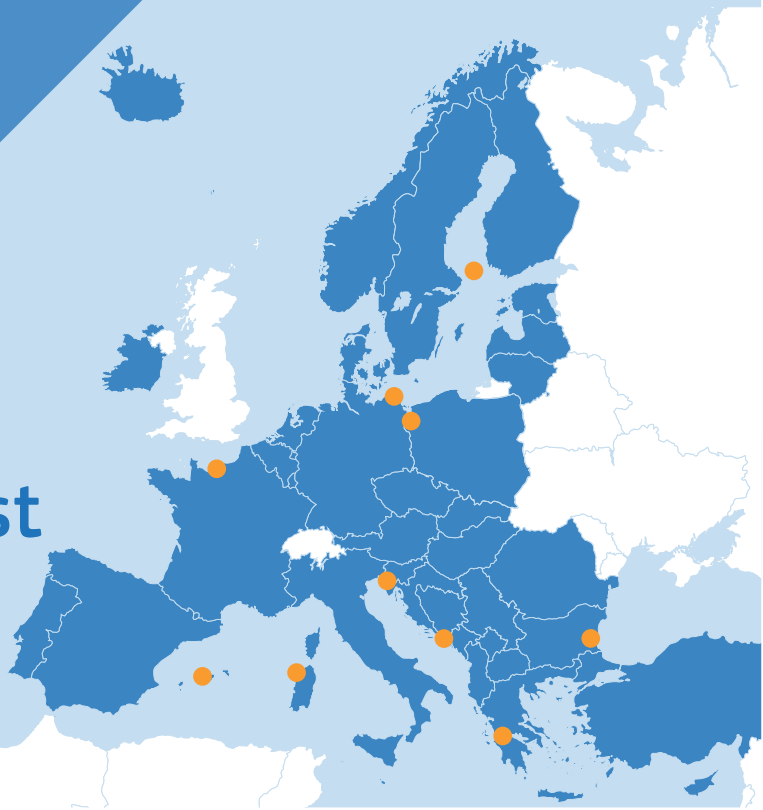


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EUNICoast

Operational since 2024

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127 147 students	10 517 staff	111 departments
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88 associated partners

10 Education & Training	35 Public authorities	7 Civil society
29 Business, Industry & Entrepreneurship	7 Science, Innovation, Technology	

Focus areas

- Identities and Cultural Heritage
- Circular Economy, Port Logistics, Sustainable Tourism
- Health, Biodiversity Protection, Sustainable Exploration of Coastal/Marine Resources
- Data-driven Solutions for Coastal Infrastructures, Marine Renewable Energy, Safety, Navigation Systems

- Aland University of Applied Sciences, FI
- Burgas Free University, BG
- EMUNI University, SI
- Stralsund University of Applied Sciences, DE
- University of Dubrovnik, HR
- University of Le Havre Normandie, FR
- University of Patras, EL
- University of Sassari, IT
- University of the Antilles, FR
- University of the Azores, PT
- University of the Balearic Islands, ES
- West Pomeranian University of Technology in Szczecin, PL

Vision

EUNICoast envisions a world where the sea connects rather than divides, serving as a conduit for shared experiences, economic prosperity, and ecological balance. Our mission is to empower a new generation of globally engaged students deeply connected to maritime environments, fostering a multilingual and

inclusive Europe. By addressing the unique societal and environmental challenges of islands and coastal communities, we strive to build strong foundations for students and citizens ready to contribute to sustainability and enhance our collective capacity for thoughtful, creative responses.

PIONEERING NEW LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS BORDERS

- Shared educational offer, such as a **joint Master's on Maritime and Coastal Sustainability**, planned for 2028, based on an educational model designed to train solution-oriented professionals, and offering seamless mobility of students and academics.
- Flexible learning pathways integrating European values & SDGs, such as **educational modules or itineraries focused on "Sustainable Maritime Practices" and "Blue Economy Challenges"** designed to address SDGs such as climate action (SDG 13) and life below water (SDG 14), and to emphasise European values of sustainability and inclusivity.
- Microcredentials and summer/winter schools, planned for 2027 to develop diverse, flexible educational opportunities to engage students at all levels and provide lifelong learning pathways, including modular, competency-based certifications, such as a **microcredential on "Sustainable Port Management"**, and an annual **summer school on "Coastal Biodiversity Conservation"**.
- Staff training to transform education culture and foster internationalisation, which will begin in 2025 with training **workshops for academic staff** on our educational model and incorporating European values, interdisciplinary and multilingual teaching approaches.

INNOVATIVE EUROPEAN INTER-UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

- Digital learning to bridge geographical distance among partner institution, including a **Virtual Campus** by 2027 with digital classrooms, opportunities for blended mobility, centralised resource sharing, multilingual support and accessibility and cross-campus networking.
- A **Shared Mobility Office** will facilitate the mobility of students, researchers and staff.
- Expertise pooling via interdisciplinary **Teaching & Research Hubs**, knowledge-creating teams of academics, researchers, and students focused on EUNICoast's five key areas to address specific challenges and provide innovative ideas for the joint activities and initiatives.

ENHANCED RESEARCH AND INNOVATION COOPERATION

- Common R&D agenda for problem-oriented joint research through the development, for instance, of **interdisciplinary hubs focused on coastal and maritime challenges**, bringing together expertise across partner universities to co-design innovative solutions for issues like climate resilience and marine biodiversity.
- Fostering **open science through shared access to research facilities, data, and tools** among partners, rewarding open science practices and enhancing collaborative projects, such as joint use of oceanographic equipment and datasets.
- Technology transfer with regional partners fostering maritime circular economy, including the collaboration with local industries and stakeholders to implement innovations that promote sustainable practices in maritime sectors, including renewable energy integration and waste management in ports.
- Impact-oriented research practices** aligned with EU reform of research assessment and impact metrics by integrating societal and environmental indicators, supported by training and guidelines for researchers on measuring tangible benefits of their work.

IMPACT AT REGIONAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL

- Strengthening partnerships with policymakers, NGOs, civil society actors through the establishment of **regular dialogues and collaborative initiatives with regional and national stakeholders** to shape policies and practices that align with sustainability goals in maritime regions.
- Public engagement opportunities for students and academics including science dissemination projects, public lectures, and events connecting academic research with community needs and priorities.
- Leveraging partner expertise to address common regional sustainability challenges, including the development of solutions for shared challenges, such as renewable energy or coastal tourism.
- Influencing regional policies and practices in the Blue Economy across Europe with **policy briefs and recommendations** that translate academic insights into actionable strategies for sustainable development.



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- Ålands Hälso- och sjukvård (FI)
- Ålands statistik- och utredningsbyrå (FI)
- Association Internationale Villes et Ports (FR)
- Autoridad Portuaria de Baleares (ES)
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