HYBRID UNIVERSITY 2022: Biosphere Reserves as Sites to develop Ocean Literacy 9 January – 5 February 2023

GUIDELINES & MILESTONES





















Asynchronous and synchronous learning

We will be opening the course content gradually, week by week, focusing on a different topic, and welcoming different experts, every time. You are welcome to browse through the weekly units (or sections or screens) at your own pace (asynchronously), in order to watch the videos, study the material, do the assignments, etc.

Remember to Click this in every screen / unit Complete and continue

Please join us at our weekly live "meet the expert" meetings where we will have the chance to meet the lecturers and engage in a discussion with them. Our meetings will be held via Zoom, **every Friday**, **15.00-16.30 Athens time** (GMT+2), and soon after, will be uploaded on YouTube, to be available to those who missed them.

To Join the Zoom Meeting (common for all Fridays) use this link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81884646771?pwd=aUhySzFSekcvd29WWXd5VWplb3ZhQT09

Passcode: 608575

Course architecture

We like to think of this e-course as a mosaic or a puzzle with many pieces. In order to achieve its set goals, it combines learning content in the form of:

- a) video lectures from invited experts on selected themes,
- b) other existing public online videos,
- c) online resources e.g. toolkits, guidebooks, publications,
- d) weekly live "meet the expert" sessions,
- e) Teasers and content from PHASE A, and
- f) the content and experience shared by all the participants during the e-course.

We hope that after four weeks, when the puzzle will be completed, you'll appreciate the whole mosaic unveiled, and that you will be leaving with useful take-aways to be applied within your own context.

Self-directed learning

Among the registered learners there are different learning needs. Some of you are super experienced managers, while others are still junior or in other professions and seek to acquire a wider and basic knowledge. For this reason, there is a mandatory 'common for all' content that is combined with optional content and recommended readings, for those with more demanding learning needs. You are invited to direct your learning path and choose what you want to focus on and how deep you want to delve, depending on your needs.

The sections in the course are categorised using 4 colours:

NO COLOUR

This is the main learning content to be read or viewed.

It is **mandatory** (Tests and final assignment are based on it).

LIGHT BLUE

Self-reflection:

Keeping personal notes may help you generate interesting insights.

Not mandatory (will not be tested).

LIGHT RED

Asterousia input:

Extra videos from the 1st phase of the Hybrid University to enrich the content.

Not mandatory (will not be tested)

LIGHT GREEN Optional reading:

Recommended extra resources, for those looking for more.

Not mandatory (will not be tested).

Keeping a learning journal/notebook

Do you prefer handwritten notes or keeping e-notes on your computer? Whatever method suits you best, we advise keeping notes of your major take-aways, insights and questions, throughout the e-course. These personal reflections may lead you to rethink and enrich some of your work practices.

Asking the experts

Do you have any questions to ask anyone of the lecturers? Please fill in the respective **weekly slido** that will be updated with new questions every week! Every Thursday afternoon during the live "meet the expert session" experts will be asked to reply or comment on the topics you raise.

Completion rules

Your participation and progress will be tracked through:

- Your participation to online discussions (i.e. padlets, slido, etc.) throughout the course.
- The scattered tests and quizzes
- A final assignment, where you will be asked to apply in practice one of the methods/tools presented by the lecturers.

Learners who complete the assignment, will get a certificate. The **deadline** for completing all tests and the assignment is one week after the end of the e-course, on 12/02/2023.

The **certificates** will be downloadable by the learners themselves upon successful completion.

Online behaviour

We are a big group, coming from different countries and diverse cultural contexts. Therefore, in our online interaction it is important for all of us to follow a code of conduct:

- We are respectful to each other even when we disagree with opinions raised exposure to other people's opinions is part of the learning experience.
- As most of us are not fluent English speakers, before submitting our texts we double-check for mistakes.
- We keep our posts short and relevant to the topic discussed. We avoid sweeping generalisations.
- We do not hesitate to ask questions.
- · We are careful with humor. It can easily be misunderstood.

Accessing the e-course

The course platform (https://www.envirolearning.net) will be opened on Monday 09/01/2023. On Monday morning you will receive a personalised email with instructions and a password to log in.

Learner's support

Weekly announcements and sum-ups will be sent to you via email. For any questions contact: info@medies.net

Weekly Agenda - Milestones

HYBRID UNIVERSITY 4 WEEK PLAN

Ocean Literacy in Biosphere Reserves and other designated areas

