

Dear Partner,

The International Office of Burgas Free University is pleased to invite you to be our partner university in the Blended Intensive Programme '**Circular Blue Economy Lab: From Marine Resources to Sustainable Value**', organised and hosted by the Faculty of Business Studies of Burgaski Svoboden Universitet (Burgas Free University), Burgas, Bulgaria in the period 15-19 April 2026.

BIP ID: 2024-1-BG01-KA131-HED-000203012-1

The Blended Intensive Programme is intended for students (from the 1st, 2nd and 3rd cycle) from the following fields of education (ISCED) – 0410 Business and Administration, 0311 Economics, 0421 Law, 0610 ICTs

Number of students per partner HEI – 3-5 (in case there are more interested students, please let us know and we will check the availability).

The topic of this ERASMUS+ Blended intensive programme is 'Circular Blue Economy: Sustainable Business Models and Innovation in Coastal and Marine Sectors'. The proposed BIP focuses on the following main aspects:

- To understand the principles of the Circular Blue Economy and their relevance for coastal and marine-based regions.
- To apply circular economy models to blue sectors (tourism, fisheries, aquaculture, ports, marine biotechnology, coastal cities).
- To develop interdisciplinary solutions for sustainable products, services, or policies in the blue economy.
- To strengthen innovation and entrepreneurial thinking through team-based international projects.
- To enhance transversal skills: sustainability-oriented marketing, project management, intercultural collaboration, and pitching.

ECTS awarded: 5 credits

The **face-to-face part of the BIP** will take place at Burgas Free University in the period 15 – 19.04.2026. The daily workload is 8 hours, combining the theoretical part with workshops and cultural activities. We are planning a variety of activities:

- A Warm-Up Workshop and a tour of Burgas Free University;
- Workshops
- A variety of social events, including lunch and trips – e.g. a cultural trip to the ancient town of Nessebar, listed in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites;

The **online part** will take place in 2 online sessions before the physical mobility as follows:

1st online meeting – 01.04.2026 (17- 19 h)

2nd online meeting – 05.05.2026 – (17- 19 h)

The language of training is English. There is no registration fee. Participants are responsible for covering their own accommodation, living and travel costs. They are expected to get the Erasmus+ Mobility grant from their home Institution under the KA131 projects that you are running.

Should your students be interested in participating, please ask them to fill out our online pre-registration form:

1. Registration for the Blended Intensive Programme ***Circular Blue Economy Lab: From Marine Resources to Sustainable Value will be open from 09.02.2026***



[Apply here](#)

2. Registration is open until **24 February , 2026.**

If you have any questions, please, do not hesitate to contact us at: internationaloffice@bfu.bg or gkirova@bfu.bg, and please share this invitation to your departments and among students that might be interested in participating.

We look forward to offering your students a fruitful Erasmus+ Blended intensive Programme at our University and a nice stay in Burgas.

We warmly welcome them!

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