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GoJelly project half-way through!

Project partners will meet in Piran, Slovenia to discuss the progress of our activities half way through the project. What is hot and what is not?

5.11.2019, Piran. As the global recommendations strive for a more innovative and sustainable society, one Horizon 2020 project tries to tackle the solution of biological (jellyfish blooms) and chemical (microplastic) pollution. In fact, the project aims to use one (jellyfish) to fight the other (microplastic). Moreover, additional prototypes are being developed in the process.

In 2017, the European Union approved the funding of the project with a total of six million euros until December 2021 (4 year project). Half way through the project, after going through a comprehensive revision in Brussels, project partners will meet in Piran to plan the activities for the upcoming two years. How are prototypes for food, feed, cosmetics, fertilizers (all developed from jellyfish biomass) coming up? Is the innovation of developing a biofilter that will capture microplastic particles becoming a reality?

Over 25 experts from 9 countries are expected in Piran. As this is a unique opportunity to meet face-to-face with project key actors, we would like to invite you for to spend an hour with us where you will have the opportunity to interact, ask questions and get a thorough insight of the project and its activities: where did we harvest jellyfish, did we develop an app to track the jellyfish blooms, is jellyfish mucus potentially useful to trap microplastic particles, have we tested jellyfish, what do chefs have to say about it, would you buy a cream with collagen from jellyfish, can we fertilize our soil with jellyfish, do aquaculture fish like feed with jellyfish? We offer you this fantastic opportunity to chat with us on Tuesday, 19.11. from 12:30 to 14h. To plan appropriately and prepare for your potential visit, we would kindly ask you to contact dr. Ana Rotter (contact given below), the local meeting organizer, to confirm your presence and allow us to better plan your visit and learn in greater detail about the meeting participants.

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