

UNDER THE PRESIDENCY OF HSH PRINCE ALBERT II OF MONACO

# BLUE ECONOMY & FINANCE FORUM

2<sup>ND</sup> EDITION

28 & 29 MAY 2026 MONACO

 GRIMALDI FORUM

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

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OCEANOGRAPHIC  
MUSEUM  
MONACO

19h00 | 23h00

MBI-BEFF networking cocktail reception in the Aquarium  
of the Oceanographic Museum of Monaco

Registration desks open to participants for badges collection

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09h00 | 09h30

Introduction and welcome to the Blue Economy  
and Finance Forum

09h30 | 11h00

Welcome address by HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco  
Keynote speeches  
Panel 1

## Opening – Financing the blue economy

- The panel will analyse the conditions required to mobilise private capital at scale, including the structuring role of blended finance and the alignment of incentives between public institutions, development banks and investors.
- It will explore how to expand geographically diversified investment pipelines, particularly in emerging and coastal economies where opportunities remain underdeveloped but strategically critical.
- The discussion will aim to position the blue economy as a mature investment space, capable of delivering risk-adjusted returns alongside measurable environmental and socio-economic outcomes.

Speakers will be announced soon

11h00   11h45	Coffee break
11h45   12h45	<b>Side events</b>
12h45   14h30	Networking Lunch
14h30   16h00	Panel 2 <b>Pitch session</b>

## Shipping

- The session will examine the scale and structure of investment required to transition the shipping sector towards low-carbon models, spanning fleet renewal, alternative fuels and port infrastructure.
- It will assess how regulatory clarity, standard-setting and international coordination can reduce uncertainty and unlock more predictable investment environments.
- The discussion will focus on pathways to accelerate capital deployment into viable solutions, positioning shipping as a central pillar of a decarbonised and resilient ocean economy.

Speakers will be announced soon

16h00   16h45	Coffee break
16h45   17h45	<b>Side events</b>

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09h00 | 10h15

Panel 3

**Pitch session**

**PANEL 3**

**Blue foods**

- The panel will explore the strategic role of blue foods within global food systems, particularly in addressing food security, nutritional needs and sustainable economic development.
- It will assess investment pathways to scale sustainable aquaculture and improve fisheries management, with a focus on efficiency gains and reduced environmental externalities.
- The discussion will highlight opportunities across global seafood value chains, including in emerging markets, while addressing constraints related to sustainability, traceability and financing.

Speakers will be announced soon

10h15 | 11h00

Coffee break

11h00 | 12h00

**Side events**

12h00 | 13h30

Networking Lunch

13h30 | 14h30

**Side events**

14h30 | 15h15

Coffee break

15h15 | 16h30

Panel 4

**PANEL 4**

**Anchoring the blue economy as a valuable asset within the global financial system**

- The session will examine how to position the blue economy within core financial architectures, including its recognition as a distinct and investable asset class.
- It will explore the transition from fragmented, project-based approaches to structured pipelines capable of absorbing institutional capital at scale.
- The discussion will address how ocean-related risks and opportunities can be more systematically integrated into financial frameworks, taxonomies and investment decision-making processes.

Speakers will be announced soon

16h30 | 16h45

Keynote

16h45

Closing speech by HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco

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