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on behalf of the Italian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, I have the pleasure to invite you to the "BLUE DAY" - an International workshop on Blue growth in the Mediterranean - which will be held in Augusta and Catania, Sicily, on October 30, 2014.

This meeting will give us the opportunity to exchange our views on to the main issues related to maritime economy in view of an integrated marine strategy.

The event - organised by the Italian Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, together with the Navy and the Port Authority of Augusta - intends to offer an opportunity to analyse the key issues of Blue Economy.

In the framework of a global sea governance, this initiative will coordinate different sectors, with a focus on the sustainable use of living marine resources as a source of quality and healthy food for the planet, without forgetting technical insights in fields such as energy efficiency, research and innovation, transport and surveillance at sea.

The draft agenda as well as the specific topics to be discussed will be circulated shortly.

More specifically, we would like you to be our guest as speaker. The title of the issue is "Cooperation between stakeholders. Involvement of stakeholders in fisheries management through the Mediterranean Advisory Council or through other types of cooperation". It would be a great pleasure for us if you would accept our proposal.

I look forward to welcoming you in Sicily and I am honoured to convey to you my best regards.

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