



SHORE

Empower students as the agents of change

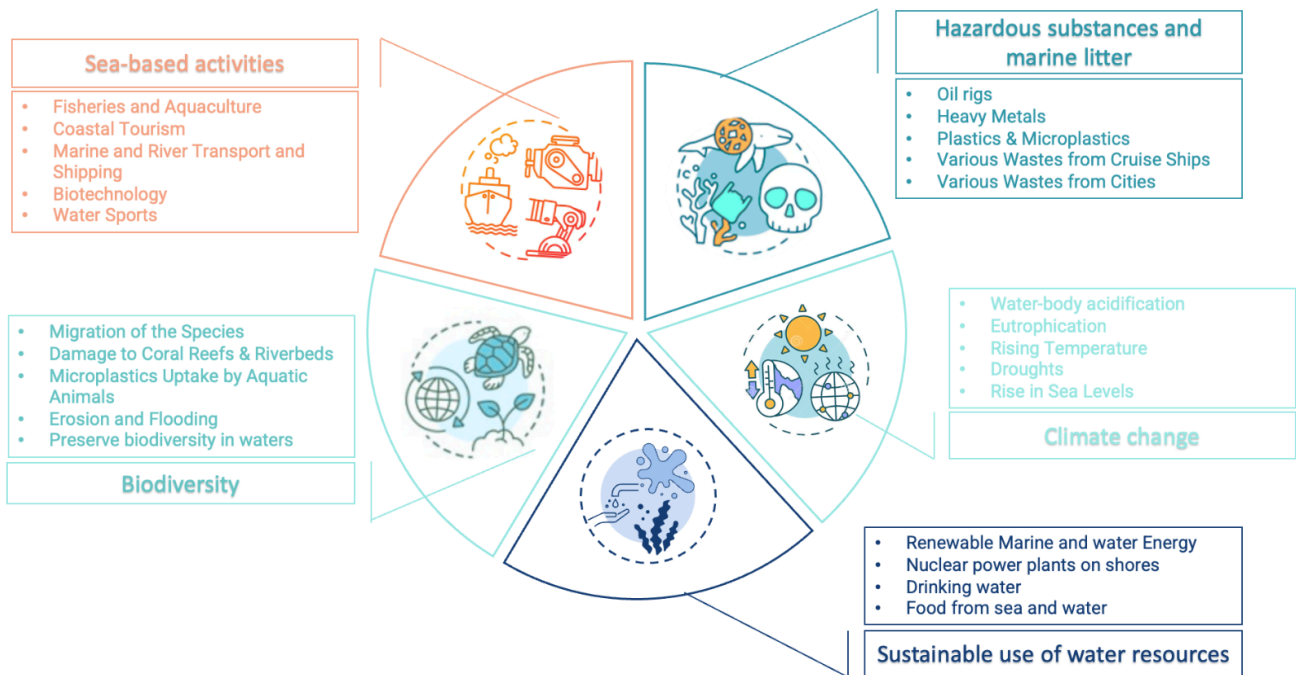
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR EXTERNAL EVALUATORS

1. BACKGROUND

The EU-funded SHORE project will support **100 primary and secondary schools** via **3 Open Calls** to **enhance Ocean and Water Literacy among students** and also ramp up the **accreditation of the Network of European Blue Schools of the EU4Ocean coalition**, by providing **grants (max 10,000€ each) for projects aimed at mobilising youth as agents of change** and actively engaging teachers, schools and local community **across five distinct regions: Baltic Sea, Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Danube River, and Rhine River.**

SHORE-funded projects will support the objectives of the **EU Mission “Restore Our Ocean and Waters by 2030”** and encourage **students’ active participation and leadership of its low-carbon activities**, based on **Blue Curricula** and **Open Schooling Methodologies**. The school projects should also **involve other educators and actors from the school ecosystem and the local community**, as well as **cooperation/ twinning mechanisms** with schools from other locations.

The SHORE Open Calls are welcoming proposals which include **different types of activities from a predefined list** (as outlined in the Annex 1 – SHORE Guidelines for Applicants), **based on one of the topics & subtopics about blue economy & ocean literacy**, as seen below.



2. AIM

SHORE aims to set up a Pool of Evaluators to support the review process of the proposals received from its open call for primary and secondary schools.

The pool will gather a set of recognized experts in the domain of SHORE - Open Call #1 selected through an open process to ensure transparent and consistent evaluation of the applications.

A pool of external evaluators will be selected. The evaluation of each proposal will be carried out by a panel of 2 external evaluators.

3. EXTERNAL EVALUATORS' PROFILE

External Evaluator should have the following skills:

- a university-level degree certified by a diploma or other document with the same legal value issued by the authorities of the State of domicile or residence;
- very good command of English language (written, spoken);
- computer skills.

and meet the following requirements:

- expertise in related to SHORE project objectives areas such as: expertise regarding Open Call#1 topics

SEA-BASED ACTIVITIES

- Fisheries and aquaculture
- Coastal tourism
- Marine and river transport and shipping
- Biotechnology
- Water sports

BIODIVERSITY

- Migration of the species
- Damage to coral reefs and riverbeds
- Microplastics uptake by aquatic animals
- Erosion and flooding
- Preserve biodiversity in waters

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES AND MARINE LITTER

- Oil rigs
- Heavy metals
- Plastics & microplastics
- Various wastes from cruise ships
- Various wastes from cities

CLIMATE CHANGE

- Water-body acidification
- Eutrophication
- Rising temperature
- Droughts
- Rise in sea levels

SUSTAINABLE USE OF WATER RESOURCES

- Renewable marine and water energy
- Nuclear power plants on shores
- Drinking water
- Food from sea and water

- have experience in evaluating project proposals under national, European or international funding programmes,

The above criteria are cumulative and shall be proved by professional experience and/or studies, as presented in the Europass format CV and supporting documents.

4. BENEFITS FOR THE EXTERNAL EVALUATORS

Interested Evaluators submitting their application can benefit in several ways:

1. Play an essential role in the selection of the most promising schools projects implementing

- activities related to open schooling, blue economy and water and ocean literacy;
2. be reimbursed for time and effort based on the number of applications evaluated (minimum number to be agreed), with each application corresponding to a value of **€25** considering all the services required.
 3. Take part in the implementation of a multinational environmentally-friendly project
 4. Connect with professionals, educators, and environmental enthusiasts as they collaborate on a project that aims to foster sustainability and ocean literacy.

5. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Interested Evaluators shall submit their application via F6S platform:

<https://www.f6s.com/shore-expression-for-interest-for-expert/apply>

Note: All applicants must have – or create, for free – an F6S account.

Interested applicants will be obliged to fill in the question related to their personal data, affiliation, profile and experience and upload their Resume (CV) (using the Europass format) – in English language (PDF format).

6. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please note that this expression of interest to participate in the SHORE Open Call evaluation as an external expert is NOT binding and does NOT constitute any commitment to the SHORE project.

The selection of the experts to support SHORE in the evaluation of the Open Call will be taken at a later stage since it depends on the number of received proposals, their origin, the domain that they target as well as the origin of the potential evaluators, their affiliations, their expertise and the balance between various criteria (e.g. gender, background, affiliation type, age, expertise etc.).

Furthermore, we are obliged to frequently change experts who support the evaluations of proposals.

7. EVALUATORS OBLIGATIONS

It is expected from external evaluators to be actively involved in the selection of the school's projects. The services will be provided remotely and will involve the evaluation of a selection of applications submitted under SHORE - Open Call #1.

To ensure the independence of the quality assessment performed, the selected external evaluator will have to sign a contract composed of:

- Terms and conditions
- Annex 1 Code of conduct ('the Code of Conduct')
- Annex 2 Declaration of honour on exclusion criteria and absence of conflict of interest

8. TIMELINE

From the application period, to finalised evaluation, the timeline for SHORE Open Call#1 is following:

Timeline for Evaluators	
Submission of evaluators' applications	5 Feb - 6 March 2024
Evaluation of the Open Call Proposals	March - May 2024

8. CONTACT POINT

- SHORE Open Calls Help Desk: opencalls@shoreproject.eu.
- F6S helpdesk: support@f6s.com