



13th International Seaweed Conference EU

Seagrass

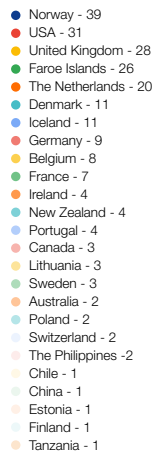
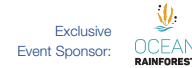
18 - 20 JUNE 2024

TÓRSHAVN, FAROE ISLANDS

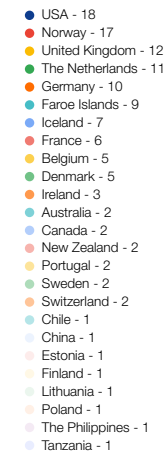
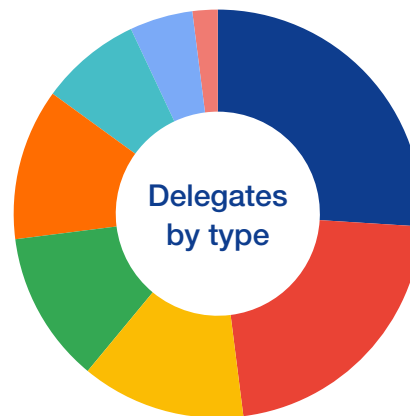
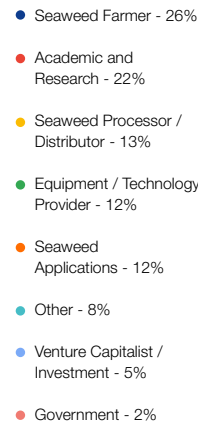
Successful Seagrass EU 2024 conference united the global seaweed industry in the Faroe Islands

The Seagrass EU 2024 conference, the premier event for the seaweed industry, was successfully held in Tórshavn, Faroe Islands, from 18 - 20 June 2024. Under the unifying theme "Bridging Continents", Seagrass EU 2024 transcended geographical boundaries, bringing together 224 delegates from 25 countries around the globe.

Representatives from more than 123 companies and institutions actively engaged in discussions, networking, and knowledge sharing, underscoring the global interest in seaweed farming and its diverse applications. In addition to enriching the conference with valuable knowledge and insights, Seagrass EU 2024 also provided an authentic experience of Faroese culture.



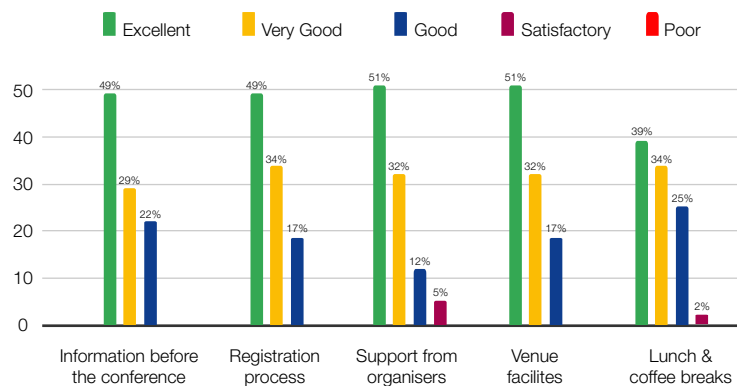
Total number of delegates: 224



Total number of companies: 123

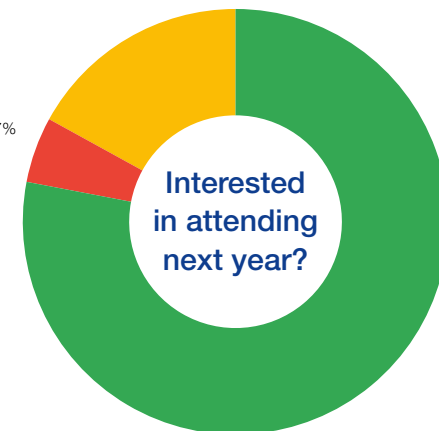


How would you rate the organisation of the conference?

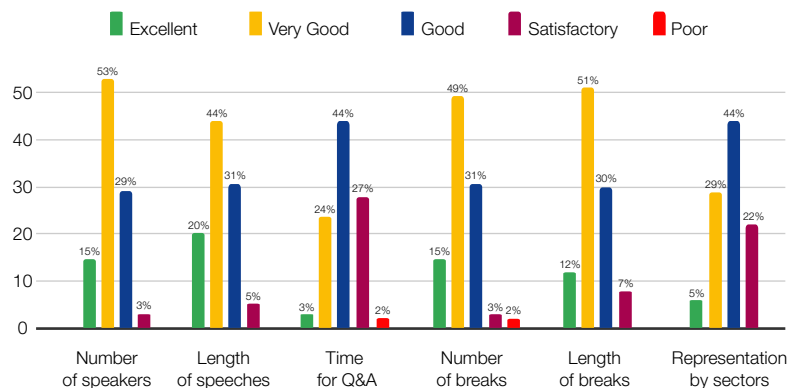


Seagrassiculture EU brings together seaweed professionals to exchange knowledge and foster partnerships to collectively advance the seaweed industry and unlock its full potential.

- Yes - 78%
- No - 5%
- Don't know yet - 17%



How would you rate the quality of the structure and format of the sessions?



The main reasons to attend Seagrassiculture EU are:



Network and meet in person



Connect with familiar faces and new people

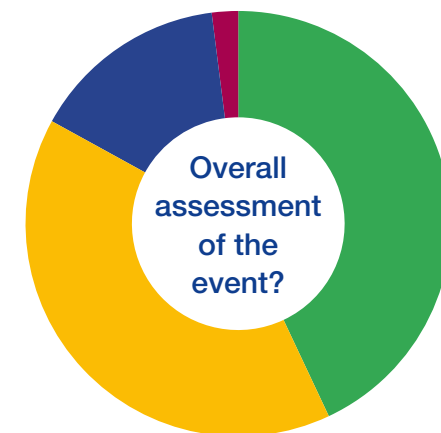


Stay updated on the latest developments



Be part of a vibrant seaweed community

- Excellent - 43%
- Very Good - 40%
- Good - 15%
- Satisfactory - 2%
- Poor - 0%



Conference Program Seagrassiculture EU 2024



Keynote presentation by Charlina Vitcheva, DG MARE, BE

Session 1: Bridging Continents



Vincent Doumeizel, United Nations Global Compact, FR



Melissa Good, University of Alaska Fairbanks Alaska Sea Grant, USA



Nick Mangini, Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference, USA



K. Jim Jem, Chinese Academy of Science NIMTE, China

Session 2: Innovative applications for seaweeds



Rene Schepens, FermentationExperts, NL



Sarah Hosking, Unilever, UK



Rob Kinley, FutureFeed, AU



Mari Lyrra, Food & Feed and Cosmetics, Oy Medfiles Ltd, FI



Keynote presentation by Piet Bogaert, Cargill, BE

Session 3: Session 3: Panel discussion on the state-of-play and challenges towards a thriving European seaweed industry



Rhianna Rees, SSIA, UK



Felix Leinemann, DG MARE, BE



Adrien Vincent, EU4Algae, FR



Eef Brouwers, North Sea Farmers, NL



Maren Sæther, Seaweed Solutions, NO

Session 4: Seaweed of the year 2024 - Dulse



Paddy Estridge, Seaweed Generation, UK



Gianluca Bizzaro, Hortimare, NL



Agnes Mols Mortensen, TARI – Faroe Seaweed, Faroe Islands



Pierre Edouard Liboureau, University of Stavanger, NO

Seaweed Elevator Pitches



Tobias Dewhurst, Kelson Marine Co., USA



Nessa O'Connor, University of Dublin, Trinity College, Ireland



Johan Svenson, Cawthron Institute, NZ



Rune Sakslo, Blue Harvest Technologies, NO



Keynote presentation by Lindsay Olsen, GreenWave, USA

Session 5: Scaling up cultivation in exposed areas



Charlie Bavington, Oceanium, UK



Bert Groenendaal, AtSeaNova, BE



Eva Strothotte, R&D Centre University of Applied Sciences GmbH, DE



Eivind Lona, SINTEF Ocean, NO

Session 6: Panel discussion on a sound financial ecosystem for large scale seaweed cultivation in Europe



Marc von Keitz, Grantham Foundation for the Protection of the Environment, USA



Olavur Gregersen, Ocean Rainforest, Faroe Islands



Rene Schepens, FermentationExperts, NL



Clément Hochart, SCOBY Collective, USA



Ulrike Hees, BASF SE, DE



Jason Mitchell, Norfolk Green Ventures, USA

Seaweed Elevator Pitches



Birgitta Andreassen, Firum, Faroe Islands



Jóhanna Alberg, Ocean Rainforest, Faroe Islands



Øivind Bergh, Institute of Marine Research, NO



Dagbjørn Skipnes, Nofima, NO



Keynote presentation by James A. Morris, Jr., NOAA National Ocean Service, USA

Session 7: Breeding and seeding aspects



Michele Stanley, Enterprise and Innovation, SAMS, UK



Floor Marsman, Ocean Rainforest, Faroe Islands



Ana Borrero, Seaweed Solutions, NO

Seaweed Elevator Pitches



Matthew S. Haynsen, Running Tide, USA / Iceland



Anne-Kristin Løes, Norwegian Centre for Organic Agriculture (NORSØK), NO



Jakob Surber, Dryden Aqua, CH



Luiza Neves, SINTEF Ocean / NTNU, NO

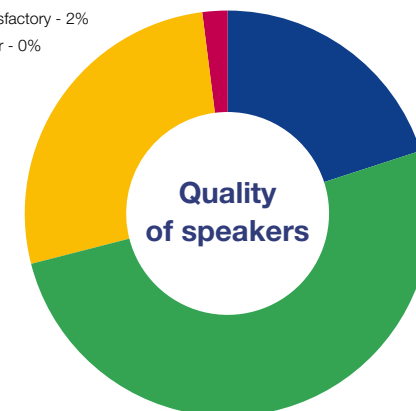


Oscar Elizondo Sada, Wageningen University & Research, NL

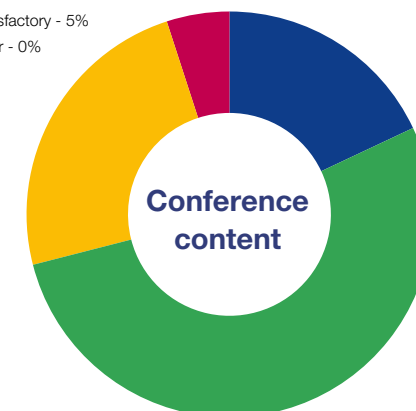


Arne Duinker, Institute of Marine Research, NO

- Excellent - 20%
- Very Good - 51%
- Good - 27%
- Satisfactory - 2%
- Poor - 0%



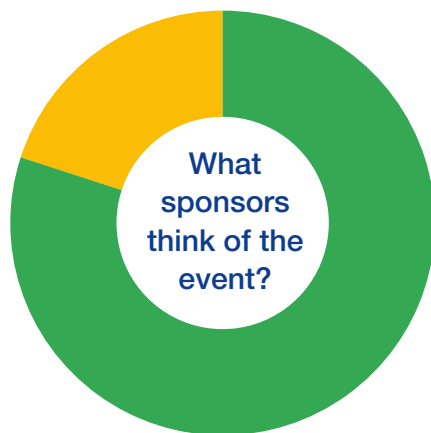
- Excellent - 18%
- Very Good - 53%
- Good - 24%
- Satisfactory - 5%
- Poor - 0%





Sponsors and Trade Show Participants

- Will sponsor again - 80%
- Don't know yet - 20%



- Will participate again - 80%
- Don't know yet - 20%



The main reasons why companies sponsor and exhibit at Seagriculture EU:



Establish a presence in this developing market



Obtain market information



Establish new business contacts



Sell products and/or services

Trade Show Participants



Networking Opportunities

Within this limited edition of Seagrass EU, delegates enjoyed an exclusive site visit to Ocean Rainforest's cultivation facilities, one of the largest seaweed cultivators in Europe. They explored approximately 200,000 metres of seeded seaweed lines deployed across 220 hectares.



This year, delegates benefited from our networking app, which made it easy to connect with new contacts. Meetings were conveniently set up in a dedicated, calm room, enhancing networking opportunities.



Delegates had fun trying local Faroese seaweeds during the Seaweed Tasting event. It was a great opportunity to mingle and enjoy unique flavours together.



The Conference Dinner was a highlight, offering delegates the chance to enjoy delicious Faroese food, network with peers, and experience Faroese culture with a performance by the National Men Choir.



Upcoming Seagrass events:

Save
the date
and your
seat!



REGISTER NOW!

SCAN
TO GET
INFO

The theme of Seagrass USA 2024, Exploring New Frontiers, embodies the spirit of innovation and discovery of the seaweed industry's evolution in the United States. In addition to the conference, participants can enjoy special site visits, numerous networking opportunities, and outdoor activities, ensuring an exceptional experience.



www.seagrass-usa.com



PREMIERING
IN AUSTRALIA!

SCAN
TO GET
INFO

Australia's southern coast has around 1,500 species of seaweed, one of the highest numbers in the world, with private and government investment in research and development leading to a fast-growing commercial seaweed industry.



www.seagrass-asiapacific.com



Register now with an Early Bird Rate.
Join us for 2 inspiring conference
days and 1 day of site visits.

Exclusive Site Visits

Hortimare welcomes you to their facility in Heerhugowaard. Engage in discussions with leading experts on seed supply, breeding, land based farming and more. Transport from Rotterdam, food and drinks will be provided.

NIOZ, the Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research, is the national oceanographic institute and the Netherlands' centre of expertise for ocean, sea and coast. Explore their Yerseke location (SW Delta) and experience the state-of-the-art of several Dutch and Belgium seaweed research programmes.

www.seagrass.eu



Contact info:

DLG Benelux
P.O. Box 257
3740 AG Baarn
The Netherlands
Tel: + 31 85 401 73 97
info@dlg-benelux.com

Seagrass EU 2024

Attending
companies

Photo gallery

Press release