

## ASSEMBLE Plus opens its third call for transnational access to its marine biological research stations

**ASSEMBLE Plus** is a European Union-funded consortium of more than 30 marine biological stations and research institutes in 16 countries. Within the Transnational Access programme, (TA) ASSEMBLE Plus marine stations provide scientists and PhD students with **free-of-charge access to their biological resources, facilities, services, and data**.

The first two calls have already resulted in more than one hundred short-term research visits of users from all over the world, with many [stories of success](#). One of our TA users, Diana Catarino (University of the Azores, Portugal) stated:

*"My project focused on the ichthyoplankton biodiversity on an Atlantic seamount using DNA metabarcoding. ASSEMBLE Plus gave me the opportunity to access cutting-edge high throughput sequencing platforms that are not present in my institute but available at Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn of Naples (SZN), Italy. The project has been very successful with more than five million sequences generated. The use of the facilities together with the expertise and advice from the local team of researchers were key factors in improving the likelihood of success of my research project".*

**The next call for applications will open on 21 January 2019, and close on 17 February 2019.**

If you wish to apply, please check out how our [Access Providers](#) can serve your research needs. The application process involves submitting a **short proposal** that specifies the scientific context of your research, a research plan, and why you have chosen the access provider. You are encouraged to contact the Access Provider of your choice to explore the feasibility of your proposal. Submitted applications will be peer-reviewed by external experts. Applicants will be informed of the outcome within six weeks of the submission deadline.

If your proposal is successful, your chosen Access Provider will give you access to their labs and facilities at no cost (expensive consumables may incur a charge). **Visits can last for up to 30 days and can include up to two persons per project.** ASSEMBLE Plus also covers the costs of travel, accommodation and meals, within certain limits.

For more information on the call, including eligibility and how to apply, visit [www.assembleplus.eu/access/transnational-access](http://www.assembleplus.eu/access/transnational-access). For specific requests, please contact the Access Officer ([access@embrc.eu](mailto:access@embrc.eu)).

Download the announcement flyer at: [http://www.assembleplus.eu/3rd\\_call\\_for\\_access](http://www.assembleplus.eu/3rd_call_for_access).



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21st January 2019

**ASSEMBLE Plus** offers transnational access to over 30 marine research installations in 15 countries across Europe and overseas.

With a special focus on young scientists and small to medium-sized enterprises, successful applicants will be able to carry out scientific research in the marine science field of interest.

ASSEMBLE Plus sponsors teams of up to two researchers to:

- Access the available research infrastructures (outlined below)
- Travel (one round trip per person in economy class)
- Subsistence (meals and accommodation for up to 30 days including weekends)
- Shipping of material (from the Access Provider to the researchers' home institution, up to € 400).

Please check for updates on available services, call dates, application procedures and any further information on current and upcoming calls for access on: [www.assembleplus.eu](http://www.assembleplus.eu)

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	Wattenmeerstation Sylt (WWS-Sylt)	Sylt
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	Institute of Marine Biology, Biotechnology and Fisheries (IMBF)	Helliniko
<b>IRELAND</b>	Marine/University of Ireland Galway (MUG)	Galway
	Ryan Institute (RI)	Galway
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	Istituto per lo Studio degli Alga e la Sistematologia Marine (ISMA)	Monza
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