



## Meeting Points



**Hotel Polamar**  
Calle Astilleros, 12, 03130 Santa Pola,  
Alicante



**Club Náutico**  
Calle Contradique, Puerto pesquero, S/N,  
03130 Santa Pola, Alicante

Second

# ANNUAL MEETING

11-12 June 2025  
Santa Pola

SEASALT  
Europe 

# PRO GRA MME

11<sup>TH</sup>  
WEDNESDAY

## Welcome Activities & General Assembly

- 16:30** Reception & accreditation at Hotel Polamar
- 17:00 - 17:30** Guided visit to the Port of Santa Pola, including its fish market and the largest fish auction in the Mediterranean.
- 18:00 - 19:00** Guided visit to the Santa Pola Aquarium, featuring native marine fauna and saltwater ecosystems.
- 19:30** Reception for members and guests at Hotel Polamar.
- 20:00 - 21:00** Summary of the association's recent activities & informal networking.
- 21:00** Dinner at Restaurante Batiste, Santa Pola.

**Dress code: Smart casual**



12<sup>TH</sup>  
THURSDAY

## Open Day: *Presentations of sector interest and an overview of SEASALT Europe's 2024–2025 agenda.*

- 09:30** Reception & accreditation at Club Náutico Santa Pola
- 10:00 - 10:20** Welcome speech by the President.
- 10:20 - 11:00** **Guest Speaker:** Dr Elisa Guerra-Doce, Professor of Prehistory at the University of Valladolid and expert in archaeological studies related to salt.  
**Talk title:** "Salt Archaeology in Europe: Prehistoric Testimonies of an Age-Old Activity"  
**Synopsis:** Salt Archaeology explores ancient salt production methods, such as mining and evaporation, rather than consumption. Dr. Guerra-Doce highlights sites across Europe, especially Spain's Lagunas de Villafáfila, active since the late 3rd millennium BC.
- 11:00 - 11:20** Coffe break.
- 11:20 - 12:00** **Guest Speaker:** Dr Rosa María Martínez-Espinosa, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and Edaphology and Agricultural Chemistry, Faculty of Science, University of Alicante. Her research focuses on extremophile microorganisms in saline environments.  
**Talk title:** Microorganisms of the Santa Pola's saltern ponds: from salt mining to industry and global biotechnology and biomedicine.  
**Topic:** An update on cutting-edge research in marine saltworks biotechnology, exploring the promising industrial applications of halophilic microorganisms that thrive in high-salinity ecosystems.
- 12:00 - 12:40** Overview of SEASALT Europe's 2024–2025 highlights, presented by the Technical Advisors and Communication team.
- 13:00 - 14:00** Visit to the Bras del Port sea saltworks.
- 14:00** Closing lunch at Gola Beach, where the seawater that feeds Bras del Port's ponds is sourced.  
The event is expected to conclude by 18:00.

**Dress code: Casual & comfortable footwear recommended**