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Marine Microbes for Biotechnology – Industry-Focused Special Issue of MaCuMBA Project News Now Available

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A special marine biotechnology industry-focused issue of the **MaCuMBA** (Marine Microorganisms: Cultivation Methods for Improving their Biotechnological Applications) project's newsletter is now available to download from: www.macumbaproject.eu

MaCuMBA is a four-year EC FP7-funded project that aims to uncover the untold diversity of marine microbes using cultivation-dependent strategies. **MaCuMBA** Project News Issue 10 cover.png This special issue of the newsletter focuses on how **MaCuMBA** is contributing to the marine biotechnology sector. Having an impact on this sector is an important aspect of **MaCuMBA** as its partners work towards exploiting the results of their research on culturing the uncultured and improving the cultivation of other marine micro-organisms to enable the screening of interesting organisms and their compounds.

This issue of **MaCuMBA** Project News features: profiles of **MaCuMBA**'s industry and SME partners; feedback from an industry representative who attended the **MaCuMBA** round table session at BioMarine 2014; insights from Pierre Erwes, Executive Chairman of BioMarine, on the marine biotechnology sector in Europe; information about the upcoming Marine Micr'Omicms for Biotech Applications industry expert workshop, organised in collaboration with the Micro B3 and Pharmasea projects, which will be held in Spain from 30-31 March 2015; a list of relevant marine biotechnology industry events coming up in 2015; and details of the **MaCuMBA** Summer School which will be held from 12-24 July 2015 in Texel, the Netherlands.

You can also keep up to date with the latest news from **MaCuMBA** by "liking" the project's Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/MaCuMBAProject

Notes for Editors

MaCuMBA is led by the Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ) and is a joint venture of 23 partner institutions from 11 EU countries. **MaCuMBA** aims to improve the isolation rate and growth efficiency of marine microorganisms from conventional and extreme habitats by applying innovative methods and using automated high-throughput procedures. AquaTT is the communication and dissemination partner for the project. For more information and press queries, contact Marieke Reuver, AquaTT Programme Manager, email: marieke@aquatt.ie Detailed partner profiles are available on request.