



Blue Economy Youth Ambassadors – Portugal 2026
Student Nomination & Application Form
April 18 – June 13, 2026

1. Personal Information

Name _____
University / Degree Program _____
Year of Graduation _____ Date of Birth _____
Email _____ Phone/Mobile _____
Social media (LinkedIn or other) _____
City/Region/Zip _____

2. Please select three Blue Economy career pathways you are most interested in exploring during the program. Rank them in order of priority: 1 = First Choice; 2 = Second Choice; 3 = Third Choice

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| ___ Aquaculture | ___ Blue Biotechnology |
| ___ Blue Finance | ___ Blue Tourism |
| ___ Clean Water Management | ___ Maritime Electrical |
| ___ Blue Renewable Energy | ___ Blue Shipping |
| ___ Blue Ocean Technology | ___ Marine Biology and Conservation |

3. Why are you interested in the Blue Economy?

4. Why would you like to serve as a Blue Economy Youth Ambassador?

5. My academic and career goals are:

6. My projects, research, volunteer ocean literacy, sustainability, or community work?

7. What special skills or strengths would you bring to this program?

8. Tasks & Time Commitment: estimated 30 hours

- **Conduct research and mapp** selected pathway.
- **Use the Institute’s Survey to interview leaders:**
 - Business: identify job opportunities, salary ranges, education and skill requirements.
 - Organization: research workforce development training programs, initiatives, and activities.
 - Education: identify academic programs, training opportunities, and certifications.
- **Develop a SWOT analysis** to identify strengths, gaps, and opportunities within the pathway.
- **Prepare presentations** of findings: written report, presentation, video, and social media content.
- **Provide leadership and champion your pathway**, serve as ambassadors for your sector.
- **Communicate their insights** and recommendations for how Portugal’s decision makers can build bridges with business and education to engage Portugal’s youth and build a blue workforce.

9. By applying to this program, I understand and commit to:

- Participate in the 10-week Program (April 18 - June 13, 2026)
- Attend 3 in-person sessions: April 18, May 16 and June 13
- Make presentation to Portugal’s leaders on World Ocean Day: June 8
- Conduct comprehensive research and interview related to my selected pathway
- Develop presentations: written, presentation, social media and video content
- Act as a responsible representative and ambassador for my pathway

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

8. Nominating Professor / University Representative

Name _____
University / Institution _____
Position _____
Email _____
Phone _____

Why are you nominating this student for the Blue Economy Youth Ambassadors Initiative?

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 1

Please complete this application form and send it to: miguel@blueeconomygeneration.org

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