



Participant Info Pack

Bluedots Germany Living Lab

How to build a blue economy of the common good

Kiel, 18 and 19 June 2026

1. At a glance

The focus lies on translating principles into action: how social enterprises and SMEs in the blue sector can strengthen their impact, build resilient partnerships, and navigate digital transformation in a way that aligns with sustainability and the common good.

The format is highly interactive, combining curated peer learning, hands-on group work, participatory workshops, and structured networking — all designed to foster meaningful exchange and turn ideas into concrete collaborations.

A special note: on Friday 19 June first concerts as part of the [Kiel Week](#) will take place. Kieler Woche is the second-largest folk festival in Germany after Oktoberfest and offers an extensive program featuring free international music acts, food, and numerous sailing and water sports events.

2. When and where

On Friday 18 June 2026, we will be at Kiel Science Centre, nearby the suggested [Accommodation](#). In the evening there will be a social dinner, informations will be given at the event. On Friday 19 June 2026 we will visit oceanbasis, a ECG-certified company. As part of the Transport to oceanbasis we will visit the boat "Seekuh" from OneEarth OneOcean e.V.. Exact instructions with meeting points, timetables and further informations will be shared by the organisers before the event.

Addresses and Links

Venue

Kiel Science Center
Frauenhoferstraße 13
24118 Kiel

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/oBQDytZr9yvqSvM77>

Getting There

- Public Transportation
 - The nearest stops are Rankestraße (7-minute walk to the Wissenschaftszentrum), Kiel Uni-Westring (9 minutes), and Kiel Uni-Hochhaus (7 minutes).
 - From the train station, these stops are easily accessible via bus lines 50, X60, 61, 62, 81, and 91
 - Tickets and schedules can be easily obtained via the **NAH-SH app**
- Train/Flixbus
 - Direct train connections ([Deutsch Bahn](#)) link Kiel with major cities such as Berlin, Hamburg, Cologne, and Frankfurt am Main
 - [FlixBus](#) offers direct long-distance bus connections to many cities across Germany and neighboring countries (Denmark, Netherlands, Austria)
 - Most long-distance trains and buses arrive at Kiel Central Station (Kiel Hbf), with easy onward connections by local public transport
- Car
 - The Kiel Science Center is accessible via the B76; public parking and parking garages are located within walking distance around the venue.
 - Parking spaces can be reserved in advance via the PEUKA app ([PEUKA App](#)) or the following [link](#)
- Plane
 - From Hamburg Airport, you can reach Kiel by train in 1 hour 50 minutes ([Deutsch Bahn](#))
 - Bus Kielius ([Kielius](#)) in 1 hour 30 minutes

3. Accommodation

It's strongly recommended to book your accommodation as early as possible, as Kieler Woche begins the following weekend and prices tend to increase rapidly.

Here are some Accomodations with distance to the venue:

- [B&B Hotel Kiel Wissenschaftspark](#) (3min by foot)
- [B&B Hotel Kiel Holstenbrücke](#) (20min by Bus)
- [B&B Hotel Kiel City](#) (30min by Bus)
- [Hotel am Kieler Schloss](#) (25min by Bus)
- [Hotel Astor Kiel](#) (25min by Bus)
- [Hotel Liegeplatz 13 Kiel](#) (30min by Bus)

4. Sustainability and inclusion mindset

If you can, choose lower impact travel options. Keep materials digital when possible. If you have accessibility needs, share them early with the organisers so the experience can be adapted.

5. Financial support, key points

Selected organisations can receive a lump sum contribution of up to 800 euro per organisation, covering expenses for up to two people, to support travel, accommodation, and subsistence costs. You will receive the Subgrant Agreement by email in the coming days. Payment will be processed within one month after your participation. At arrival you must sign the attendance list, and this signature is the only reporting requirement. All details and official reference documents are available on the Financial Support page on the Bluedots website.

6. Contacts

In case you need anything during the 2 days in Kiel you can contact
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7. Overview



