



February 2026 Newsletter

ReBoat Presence in Events

Since June 2025, ReBoat has participated in a wide range of events, including conferences, workshops, and symposiums. The main objective of this engagement has been to showcase the project's innovative solutions—from theoretical design to implementation—while demonstrating how the circular economy can support islands in balancing economic growth and the energy transition, alongside natural preservation and authentic cultural experiences.

JUNE 2025



ReBoat participation in a [side event of the United Nations Ocean Conference in Nice, France](#), highlighting synergies between blue and circular economy approaches.

JULY 2025



ReBoat featured at the [International Conference on Electrical, Computer and Energy Technologies \(ICECET 2025\)](#), held in Paris, France, and presentation of the scientific paper

"From Linear to Circular: Transforming Waste Management in Island Communities".

SEPTEMBER 2025



ReBoat representation at the [19th International Conference on Environmental Science and Technology](#), held on the island of Kos, Greece, and exploration of innovative approaches to resource efficiency, waste reduction, and circularity in diverse environmental contexts.



ReBoat participation in the [National Technical University of Athens \(NTUA\) Researchers' Night](#)—one of the largest science communication and outreach events in Athens, Greece—with more than 10,000 visitors, including students, educators, researchers, and members of the general public.

OCTOBER 2025



ReBoat participation at the [Circular Gaia Symposium 2025, Athens, Greece](#), in Panel 3: Circular Economy at the Crossroads of Cities, Islands & Tourism.



ReBoat leading the organisation and moderation of the workshop ["Re-valuing Resources: Cross-Sectoral Circular Solutions for a Sustainable Future"](#), held within the framework of the Sustainable Places 2025 event in Milan, Italy, with the participation of eight additional EU-funded projects.



ReBoat participation in the [GTI Foundation International Conference \(10th Edition\)](#) in Gozo, Malta, and contribution to the session “Innovative practices, nature-based solutions, and tailored policies for sustainable tourism.”

NOVEMBER 2025



ReBoat contribution in the [ECOMONDO Exhibition](#) in Rimini, Italy, through both the workshop “Driving the Circular Transition in the EU: Recovering Value from Secondary Raw Materials”, jointly organised with four other EU-funded projects, and its presence at the International Solid Waste Association (ISWA) booth, which offered further opportunities



ReBoat participation in [COP30](#) in Belém, Brazil, and contribution to the session “Islands as Laboratories for Climate Adaptation & Sustainable Tourism in the Mediterranean” at the MED Pavilion, hosted by the Union for the Mediterranean.

for communication and dissemination to interested stakeholders.

New Publications

During the first year of the ReBoat operation two publications have already been released, while another is currently pending to be published, highlighting the project's activities and scientific developments.

NOVEMBER 2025

The paper, "[Circular Transitions in Island Regions: Overcoming Waste Management Challenges Through Community-Driven Solutions](#)" has been published in Sustainability journal. The study examines how circular economy principles can be effectively implemented in small, tourism-intensive island communities, where seasonal increases in waste generation and limited land availability create persistent challenges.

DECEMBER 2025

The report "[From waste to value: Policy pathways for cross-sectoral circular material flows in Europe](#)" was published in the European Circular Economy Stakeholder Platform. The report presents key insights emerging from the workshop "Re-valuing Resources: Cross-Sectoral Circular Solutions for a Sustainable Future" and outlines how the eight participating EU-funded projects enable cross-sectoral circularity through material reuse, digital tools, and systemic approaches spanning industries, governance levels, and territorial scales.

Finally, the paper submitted to the ICECET 2025 Conference, "[From Linear to Circular: Transforming Waste Management in Island Communities](#)", is awaiting publication in the IEEE Xplore Journal.

Organisation of events

Within the first twelve months of the project, two Plenary Meetings and three stakeholder meetings were implemented.

JUNE 2025



The [1st Ionian Stakeholder Workshop](#) was held in Corfu, Greece, bringing together local authorities and stakeholders to present the project.



The [1st Plenary Meeting, together and 2nd Ionian Stakeholder Workshop](#), was held in Corfu, Greece. During the Plenary Meeting, the project's progress was discussed and collaboration on circular solutions for island communities was strengthened, while the stakeholder workshop aimed to foster strong local alliances and encourage multi-level participation in the project's co-creation vision.

SEPTEMBER 2025



The [2nd ReBoat Plenary Meeting](#) was held in Lipari, in the Eolian Islands, Italy. Key topic discussions were complemented by site visits to potential locations for the mobile ReBoat plant, as well as workshops and work package sessions. Additionally, the Aeolian Stakeholder Workshop brought together hoteliers, local officials, educators, and other stakeholders to discuss the project's local relevance and feasibility.

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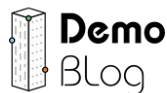


Finally, the [3rd ReBoat Plenary Meeting](#) was held in January 2026, in Fulda, Germany. Partners met to discuss the project's course and developments, as well as to set path for the future.

Collaborations with other EU projects

The establishment and promotion of synergies and clustering activities is a key aspect of ReBoat. The main aim is to enhance collaboration with projects related to the New European Bauhaus through active participation in its stakeholder dialogues, as well as to create synergies with and among other EU-funded projects addressing rural, local/urban and consumer-based transitions, and European industrial sustainability, competitiveness, and resource independence.

To this end, ReBoat has collaborated with more than [16 projects](#) through the co-organisation of workshops, joint participation in events, and engagement in clustering activities. These activities facilitate coordination and amplify outreach in support of EU targets.



Are you interested in bringing REBOAT solutions on your island?

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