



MEDITERRANEAN COOPERATION DAYS

November 10, 11 & 12, 2014 – Rome (Lazio Region - IT)

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PRESENTATION AND AGENDA

Over the last decades, the Mediterranean basin has increasingly become a complex socio-economic, political and institutional area spanning several geographical spaces and entities as EU Member countries, pre-accession and candidate countries, countries belonging to the southern neighborhood policy, Euro-Mediterranean and multilateral institutions, as well as different sets of sub-national, economic and civil society actors. This diversity of stakeholders *de facto* represents a variety of local, regional, national, EU and global cultures, geopolitical situations, strategies and policies. All these share assets but also cross-cutting challenges at basin level such as sustainable development in its so-called three dimensions (economic, social and environmental) that concern both European, Euromed and global agendas, including the promotion of Blue Growth; the action on climate change and environmental risks prevention, or the promotion of, decentralization and democratic governance, among many others.

In view of these global challenges, it therefore appears crucial to strengthen multi-level and territorial cooperation within the Mediterranean rims, in order to reinforce the assets the area naturally benefits from, while reducing and solving the common challenges it has been faced with over time. The forthcoming global Post-2015 Development Agenda, the EU agenda for the 2014-2020 Programming Period, the election of the new European Parliament, the reorganization of the European Commission, and the Italian Presidency of the EU Council, as well as the increased engagement of Local and Regional Authorities (LRAs) and other stakeholders in EU cooperation (European Territorial and Decentralized cooperation on top); all of these provide an unprecedented opportunity to underscore the urgent need to develop and integrate the Mediterranean as a priority area for action.



In this context, the new emerging models of Macro-Regions (Baltic Sea, Danube, Adriatic-Ionian, and Alpine) and/or Sea Basin strategies - if shared and owned by key actors and conceived on a variable geometry and with gradual perspective - should be encouraged as efficient instruments and frames for improving cooperation at the basin level. A shared vision for a cohesion strategy for the Med, for its governance and implementation; coupled with reinforced meaningful engagement of the local and regional levels of governance from both EU and Med Partner Countries, would therefore greatly contribute to strengthen the Mediterranean as a binding area, as one single entity towards a more efficient and pertinent resolution of its transversal and global issues.

Jointly organized by **the Lazio Region**, the **CPMR Intermediterranean Commission** and **PLATFORMA** and enjoying the key collaboration and contribution of the **EU Med programme** projects **COASTGAP** and **COM&CAP MarInA-Med**, the **Mediterranean Cooperation Days** seek to develop specific political and technical debates on different aspects concerning the future of the basin. These Cooperation Days will bring together - into a *Multi-Level Forum* - representatives of EU and EuroMed Institutions and Assemblies (Directorate Generals of the European Commission, Members of the European Parliament, EU Council, EU Committee of the Regions, Union for the Mediterranean, Euro-Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly – ARLEM), local and regional authorities and their networks (Inter-Mediterranean Commission-CPMR, Arco Latino, Med Commission of United Cities and Local Governments UCLG, PLATFORMA), EU ETC Programmes and Med Maritime Projects, as well as civil society.

The *Med Cooperation Days* start on 10th November with the **institutional welcome session** and the **round tables «The Med beyond 2015 – How to achieve sustainable development»** organised by IMC-CPMR and [PLATFORMA](#). The objective of this first morning is to strengthen synergies between the needs of MPC LRAs and EU development policies. The seminar will encourage discussions on a shared vision for cooperation in the Mediterranean to be promoted also in the wider context of the Global Post-2015 Development Agenda. Political messages and discussions will be anchored with presentations on decentralized cooperation case studies addressing the topics of climate change and energy.

The afternoon of 10th November will feature a **session on the future of Macro Regional and Sea Basin Strategies in the Mediterranean** aiming to gather the first pilot meeting of the above-mentioned *Multilevel Forum*. The objective of this session is to assess the possibilities for setting-up and implementing these kind of strategies towards the fulfillment of the EU2020 Strategy, European cooperation, the Integrated Maritime Policy, the Blue Growth strategy in the Mediterranean, and the engagement of LRAs in such initiatives in order to reinforce economic, social and territorial cohesion.

The following day is conceived as a joint **conference on the framework conditions for climate change adaptation in coastal areas and the Blue Growth in the Mediterranean**. The [COASTGAP](#) Project (capitalization of best practices in climate change adaptation to produce governance and adaptation policies in order to reduce risk along coastal zones and foster their sustainable development) and the [COM&CAP MarInA-Med](#) Project (communication and capitalization of the results of 13 Med Maritime projects for an integrated approach towards Blue Growth in the Mediterranean) will share their key results and pave the way for a debate on concrete suggestions for the implementation of the new Med Cooperation Program. It is intended that these suggestions are intended to encompass a broad array of themes with incentive potential to draw a better cooperation frame in the Med capable of tackling its global issues better and in a more coordinated, multi-level and transversal way. These themes include: scenarios for the implementation of Blue Growth, Maritime Spatial Planning, the Marine Strategy Framework Directive, the **Joint Action Plan** “Developing conditions for a sustainable growth in the Mediterranean” related to the [Bologna Charter](#) etc. To this extent, **specific thematic and multi-stakeholder working groups** have been foreseen in the afternoon.

Finally, several **side events** are planned, such as meetings of Med Maritime projects to provide state-of-the-art on the above-mentioned themes. A final **field trip to Tarquinia** (beach nourishment works, Etruscan necropolis, Tarquinia Salt field) is being organized in the frame of the COASTGAP closing event.

Monday 10th November 2014 (morning)

Working languages: English, French, Italian, Spanish

Tirreno Hall: Mediterranean Cooperation Days presentation

9.00-9.30 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

9.30-10.15 WELCOME PRESENTATION SESSION

- **Nicola Zingaretti**, President of the Lazio Region. COASTGAP Lead partner and IMC CPMR member
- **Michel Vauzelle**, President of the Region Provence-Alps-Cotes-d'Azur (PACA), President of the Intermediterranean Commission (IMC) of the CPMR
- **Massimo Toschi**, Special adviser on cooperation of Enrico Rossi, President of the Region Toscana, Spoke person of PLATFORMA and IMC CPMR member

Tirreno Hall: PLATFORMA – CPMR round tables

« The Med beyond 2015 – how to achieve sustainable development »

Themes: Development Agenda post 2015, Development and decentralized cooperation, Sustainable Development goals, climate challenges.

10.15-11.15 TOWARDS A TRANSFORMATION AGENDA OF UNIVERSAL VALUES

Introduction and moderation: **Martin Guillermo-Ramirez**, Secretary General of AEBR

Grammenos Mastrojeni, Coordinator for Environmental Issues, Academic Cooperation, and Territorial Cooperation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Italian Presidency of the Council of the European Union

Round table:

- **Davor Stier**, Rapporteur Post Agenda 2015, Member of the European Parliament
- **Carlo Rossi**, Head of the area in charge of decentralized cooperation, Region Lazio
- **Tariq Kabbage**, Mayor of the Municipality of Agadir, UCLG Med Commission
- Debate

11.15-11.45 Coffee Break

11.45-13.00 CLIMATE AND COOPERATION

Moderator: **Domenico Ranesi**, Director for Economic Activities, Agriculture, Forestry, Innovation, Transport, Province of Salerno, member of Arco Latino

- **Marta Marín**, Delegate of the Basque Country to the EU
- **Vicente Fernández Guerrero**, Secretary General for Innovation, Industry & Energy, Economy, Innovation, Science & Employment Department, Junta de Andalucía, IMC member
- **Mabrouk Kossemtini**, President of the special delegation, Sfax municipality, MedCities
- **Mohamed Sadiki**, Vice-President of the Region Rabat-Salé-Zemmour-Zaer Vice-President of the Intermediterranean Commission

- Debate

13.00-13.20 GENERAL CONCLUSIONS – WRAP UP SESSION

- **Karim Bennour**, President of the People's Assembly of the Wilaya of Algiers, ARLEM rapporteur on sustainable urban mobility.

Main participants: PLATFORMA members, IMC Regions, Representatives of EU and multilateral institutions, ARLEM, MED Commission of CGLU, Arco Latino, Med Cities and other key networks in the Med, local stakeholders

13.20-14.30 Lunch Break

(Reserved to the participants registered in the events through the online form)

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Monday 10th November 2014 (afternoon)

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Tirreno Hall:

“Towards Macro-Regional and Sea Basin Strategies in the Mediterranean”

14.20-14.40 INSTITUTIONAL WELCOME

- **Guido Fabiani**, Regional Minister for Economic Development, Region Lazio
- Representative of the Italian Presidency of the Council of the European Union (tbc.)

14.40-16.15 1st MEETING OF THE MULTI-LEVEL FORUM FOR THE FUTURE OF MACRO-REGIONAL AND SEA-BASIN STRATEGIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN (MF MED): INTEGRATED MARITIME POLICY AND BLUE GROWTH AS KEY PILLARS (I.)

Introduction and moderation: **Iban Rabasa**, Director General for foreign Affairs, Catalonia – a road map for macro-regional strategies in the Mediterranean

Key questions: From the common challenges in the Med to the joint strategies: Macro-regional and/or sea basin strategies? What are the priority issues and the added values of these approaches? What is there to capitalize? What role for the ETC and the mainstreaming? What road map for the emerging strategies?

- Key speeches:
 - **Konstantinos Karpetas**, Vice-President of the Intermediterranean Commission, elected member and head of the EU and International affairs of the Regional Council of Western Greece
 - **Michela Giuffrida**, Member of the EU Parliament
 - **Luca Marangoni**, DG Mare, IMP team leader in the Med and the Black sea, European Commission
 - **Maria Victoria Palau i Tárrega**, Director-General for EU Relations of the Community of Valencia
 - **Mercedes Acitores**, Med programme Joint Technical Secretariat: Towards the new Med Cooperation Programme, from the gaps to the perspectives and the implementation of the new priority axes

- **Giuseppe Bortone**, Director General Environment, soil and coast protection, Emilia Romagna: presentation of the *Bologna Charter*, a strategic initiative for the blue growth of the Mediterranean coasts
- **Pasqualino Monti**, Presidente Autorità Portuale di Civitavecchia

16.15-16.30 Coffee Break

16.30-18.30 1st MEETING OF THE MULTI-LEVEL FORUM FOR THE FUTURE OF MACRO-REGIONAL AND SEA-BASIN STRATEGIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN (MF MED): IMP AND BLUE GROWTH AS KEY PILLARS (II.)

- **Video presentation** of the Med Maritime projects
- Debate with the participants of the Multilevel Forum Med

Moderators and facilitators: **Iban Rabasa**, **Giuseppe Bortone** and **Davide Strangis**

- *Local and regional authorities and their networks:*
- *EU and Euromed Institutions*
- *Maritime projects in the Mediterranean*
- *Other key stakeholders*
- General wrap-up of discussions
 - **Davide Strangis**, Executive Secretary of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission
- Political Conclusions of the sessions:
 - **Konstantinos Karpetas**, Vice-President of the Intermediterranean Commission, elected member and head of the EU and International affairs of the Regional Council of Western Greece

18.30-19.30 Networking Cocktail: audio-visual and poster communication on COASTGAP results; Med Maritime Projects promotional video

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SIDE EVENTS

Aniene Hall (10.15-13.20): Steering Committee of COASTGAP (reserved to the project partners) & IMC WG on IMP – 3rd meeting of the Bologna Charter Coordination Board

Tuesday 11th November 2014 (morning)

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Tirreno Hall:

***COASTGAP Final Conference and COM&CAP MarInA-MED Seminar
“Towards the framework conditions for the Climate change adaptation in
coastal areas and the Blue Growth in the Mediterranean”***

9.00-9.50 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY SESSION

Introduction to COASTGAP project:

- **Fabio Refrigeri**, Regional Minister for Infrastructure, Housing and Environment, Lazio
- **Monique Pétard**, Deputy President of Department of Hérault
- **Bruno Placidi**, Directorate Infrastructure, Environment and Housing policies, Lazio
- **Paolo Lupino**, Executive Officer for Coastal defense, ARDIS - Regione Lazio

Introduction to COM&CAP MarInA-Med and the Med maritime projects

- **Iban Rabasa**, Director for External Relations of Catalonia

The Med Programme and its maritime approach:

- **Mercedes Acitores**, Med Cooperation Programme

9.50-10.30 COASTGAP FINAL RESULTS PRESENTATION (best practices)

- **Maria Chamiditiou**, REMTH: new EIA approach for coastal works
- **Manuela Di Cosimo**, Lazio Region consultant: the SICELL model for coastal sand management
- **Philippe Carbonnel**, Department of Hérault: the ICZM Prot. Art.8 “setback zone”
- **Nassos Vafeidis**, University of Kiel: DIVA coastal global risk assessment

10.30-10.45 Coffee Break

10.45-13.30 ROUND TABLES: INTEGRATED APPROACH OF MARITIME ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT

- *Round table 1 (10.45 – 11.45): Maritime Spatial Planning and Blue growth scenarios in the Mediterranean, moderated by **Damien Perissé**, IMC-CPMR, COM&CAP MarInA-Med partner*
 - Future trends in the Mediterranean – **Catherine Piante**, WWF, MEDTRENDS project
 - Maritime Spatial Planning: challenging for coastal regions - the FACECOAST experience (MEDSANDCOAST, RITMARE, Flood-CBA) by **Chiara Venier**, Phd. CNR-Ismar Venice
 - Blue growth clustering scenario in the Mediterranean: methodology and perspectives, by **Iolanda Piedra**, President of Balearic Island Maritime Cluster, CORINTHOS project
 - Maritime Spatial Planning, by **Luca Marangoni**, DG Mare, IMP team leader in the Med and the Black sea, European Commission
- Debate
 - Conclusions by **Damien Perissé**, IMC-CPMR, COM&CAP MarInA-Med partner

- *Round table 2 (11.45-13.30): Perspectives for the implementation of the Joint Action Plan – Developing conditions for a sustainable growth in the Mediterranean, and the Med Cooperation Programme, introduced and moderated by **Davide Strangis**, Executive Secretary of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission.*
 - Presentation by **Roberto Montanari**, Soil and coast protection service, Region Emilia Romagna, COASTGAP partner
 - Environment pressures at Med level: from policy gaps to integrated trans-boundary actions, focus on the Western Med, by **Dania Abdul Malak**, University of Malaga, EU Topic Center for Territorial Analysis, MED IAMER project
 - **Frédéricks Herpers**, Sea and littoral strategies, associate to the Autonomous University of Barcelona team: "Which is the best way to strengthen partnerships in Macro Project initiative?"
 - **Marko Prem**, **PAP/RAC**, the Mediterranean Action Plan and the Integrated Coastal Zone Management
- Debate

Key questions: How to foster the monitoring and the implementation of EU integrated maritime policy through the ETC and other instruments and strategies?

- Conclusions by **Mercedes Acitores**, Med Cooperation Programme

13.30-14.30 Buffet and Project display corner

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Tuesday 11th November 2014 (afternoon)

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Tirreno and Liri Halls: Working Groups on the Implementation of the Joint Action Plan and the Med Cooperation Programme

WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE COORDINATION BOARD OF THE BOLOGNA CHARTER, THE MED MARITIME PROJECTS, THE JTS OF THE MED PROGRAMME AND THE EXPERTS OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION /THE MEMBER STATES

Structure of the WGs: introduction by a member of the BC Coordination board/Coastgap project, debate with participants enlightening the links with the new Med Cooperation Programme and the suggestions towards the future specific actions that could be funded in the frame of the forthcoming calls for proposals.

14.30-16.00 WORKING GROUPS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE JAP AND THE MED CP I

- **Tirreno Hall - Workshop on: DEVELOPING KNOWLEDGE, NETWORK-BASED MONITORING AND DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS FOR COASTAL ZONES**
 - **Paolo Lupino**, Region Lazio, Moderator and Rapporteur
 - Key contributions: Med Maritime projects, JTS Programme Med and European Commission
 - **Andrea Taramelli**, ISPRA: COAST-NOBLAMe Project Proposal (ESA Tender)

- **Fatima Navas**, Universidad Pablo Olavide de Sevilla (UPO): PEGASO SDI and Geoportal for ICZM
- **Liri Hall - Workshop on: SUSTAINABLE USE OF STRATEGIC RESOURCES FOR THE BLUE GROWTH OF THE MED COASTS**
 - **Roberto Montanari**, Emilia Romagna, COASTGAP partner, Moderator and Rapporteur
 - Key contributions: Med Maritime projects, JTS Programme Med and European Commission
 - **Luisa Nicoletti**, ISPRA: Coastal management and environmental guidelines
 - **Marko Prem**, PAP/RAC: the ICZM Protocol Art. 8 implementation
 - **Eduard Ariza Solé**, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona: BP1 “EIA Guidelines” and BP4 “ICZM Protocol Art. 8” among PEGASO Platform members: Preliminary results

16.00-16.30 Coffee Break

16.30-18.00 WORKING GROUPS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE JAP AND THE MED CP II

- **Tirreno Hall - Workshop on: SUPPORTING RESEARCH, INNOVATION CLUSTERS AND IMPLEMENTATION and RESPONSE TO CHALLENGES DRIVEN BY CLIMATE CHANGE THROUGH MAJOR PROJECTS**
 - **Fabio Trincardi**, Director CNR-ISMAR and **Roberto Montanari**, Emilia Romagna, Moderators and rapporteurs
 - Key contributions: Med Maritime projects, JTS Programme Med and European Commission
 - **Francesco Latino Chiocci**, Prof. UNIROMA1
 - **Anis Lahouel**, entrepreneur: intervention technologies applied in Tunisia (tbc.)
- **Liri Hall – Open doors meeting of the MEDTRENDS PROJECT “ADVISORY COMMITTEE”**
 - **Catherine Piante**, MEDTRENDS: Moderator and rapporteur
 - Presentation of the objectives of the MEDTRENDS project and its niche among other EU projects on MSP
 - Update advisory members about the project’s current status
 - Discussion on potential sources of data and information and presentation of preliminary results
 - Discussion on the future developments of the project and in particular on the involvement of the participants in the recommendations of the upcoming publications
 - Key contributions: members of the Advisory committee, other key stakeholders as Med Maritime projects, JTS Programme Med and European Commission

18.00-18.30 CONCLUDING SESSION

- **Tirreno Hall: Findings and Conclusion**
 - Short sum-up by the rapporteurs: **Paolo Lupino, Roberto Montanari, Fabio Trincardi, Catherine Piante**
 - **Mercedes Acitores**, Med programme
 - Closing words by **Fabio Refrigeri**, Regional Minister for infrastructure, housing, environment, Region Lazio.

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Wednesday 12th November 2014 (full day)

Field Trip

(reserved for COASTGAP hosts and partners)

- 08:30 Meeting in front of the Regional headquarters Via Rosa Raimondi Garibaldi 7, Roma
- 08:45 Departure by bus to Tarquinia (VT)
- 10:15 Arrival to the Site of Community Importance (SCI)/ Special Protected Zone (ZPS) of the Tarquinia saline, guided tour of the Tuscia University installations and laboratories (informative brochure)
- 12:00 Visit of the coastal defence works realized in 2004 in the Lazio Region (informative brochure)
- 13:00 Lunch buffet in the municipal headquarters of Tarquinia
- 14:30 Guided tour of the Archaeology National Museum of the Vitelleschi Palace
- 16:00 Departure to Roma
- 18:00 Time of arrival to Roma (if requested, a stop is possible to the Fiumicino airport around 17:30)