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ADRION AT A GLANCE

The Interreg ADRION Programme is a **European transnational cooperation programme** which connects national, local and regional authorities, research centres and private organisations of eight countries across the Adriatic-Ionian Region. It provides funds for cooperation projects that aim to increase a citizen's quality of life in the fields of **innovation**, **environment** and **transport** for the benefit of more than 70 million people.

With the ambition of being a policy driver and governance innovator, ADRION funds **61 transnational projects** and **one strategic project** supporting the EU Strategy for the Adriatic-Ionian Region (EUSAIR), fostering economic, social and territorial development as well as the EU integration process.

Funded projects meet the current needs and challenges of the region through the provision of **joint solutions** implemented at the transnational level, with the exchange of good practices and delivery of tangible results that aim to reduce disparities and increase cohesion among the regions.



The ADRION Programme is financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), the Instrument for Preaccession Assistance (IPAII) and ultimately by **national contributions** from the Partner States. It aims to get a maximum return from the **EUR 118 million budget** through Calls for Proposals and supports quality projects which demonstrate that transnational cooperation is the best way to tackle common challenges.





15,7 MEUR IPAII

83,5 MEUR ERDF







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The ADRION cooperation area brings together 8 countries within the Adriatic-Ionian Region: 4 EU members (Croatia, Greece, Slovenia and 12 regions and 2 provinces of Italy), **3 EU** candidate countries (Albania, Montenegro and Serbia) and a EU potential candidate country (Bosnia and Herzegovina).



Serbia

Albania

Montenegro

Slovenia

Italy

Croatia

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European Commission

JEAN PIERRE HALKIN

Head of Unit, Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy (DG Regio)



Interreg encourages European citizens to work together for creating stronger communities and building relations between people across borders. Being a bridge between the EU and the Western Balkans. ADRION also plays a significant role in the support of the enlargement process. Moreover, due to its link with the EU Strategy for the Adriatic-Ionian Region (EUSAIR), a strategic framework for cooperation. ADRION can better tackle the specific needs of the area through its funding scheme. Local and regional authorities, municipalities, SMEs, sector organisations and research centres can benefit from the ADRION financial support to find out new solutions for shared problems in different sectors, such as transport and environment, social innovation and smart growth. To this end, ADRION can have a strong impact on the territories and help increase the economic, social and territorial cohesion of the area. This is the basis for ensuring prosperous living conditions for our citizens.

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Being a bridge between the EU and the Western Balkans, ADRION plays a significant role in the support to the enlargement process.

- Jean Pierre Halkin





ADRION looks at regional cooperation and solidarity as a way to promote social inclusion, ecological transition and sustainable and inclusive growth.

- Elly Schlein



Voices of the Programme

ELLY SCHLEIN

Vice-President of Emilia-Romagna Region, Italv

I am honoured to be the Vice-President of a region which has seized the opportunity to lead a European transnational programme, which looks at regional cooperation and solidarity as a way to promote social inclusion, ecological transition and sustainable and inclusive growth and ultimately to increase the quality of life of both the citizens and the planet.

In the last seven years, ADRION has been an important instrument for strengthening the ties among public and private authorities, universities and organisations across the regions of eight different countries. The knowledge built so far through project results and thematic communities can provide input to regional policies and more importantly support the development of the new programme in 2021-2027.

We are glad to continue this experience with the aim of reaching ambitious and shared objectives with long-term results. Voices of the Programme

NINA SELJAK

Director of European Territorial Cooperation and Financial Mechanism Office, Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy of Slovenia



Slovenia is committed to co-creating a shared positive vision for a sustainable Europe. We believe that stronger political ownership and enhanced coordination across all governance levels better support the UN 2030 Agenda and EU's green and inclusive growth. Our common goal is to achieve a resource-efficient and climate-neutral economy. The ADRION Programme scaled up sustainable solutions, built bridges and increased coherence between agendas at all levels in the programming period from 2014 to 2020. A smart, green and more connected region will also be our common goal in the programming period of 2021-2027. Only by working together can we shape our common space and also overcome the unprecedented challenges brought by COVID-19. Slovenia is proud to lead the EUSAIR Facility Point Strategic Project that has stimulated a lively debate on the vision for the future along the shared sea and its hinterland and delivered concrete results. We are committed to further proactively shaping our common future.



Collaborations have been forged across the Adriatic-Ionian Region and trust between the region's institutions has grown.

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- Nina Seljak



Voices of the Programme

IVANA DAVIDOVIĆ

Head of Group for Transnational Programmes and Macro-Regional Strategies, Ministry for European Integration of Serbia ADRION Monitoring Committee Member



The cooperation within the ADRION transnational programme has benefited institutions from Serbia and other enlargement countries by designing innovative models, methodologies and strategies which introduce EU standards and practices. ADRION has enabled continued learning, capacity building, development of new solutions for existing challenges and optimisation of resources in areas such as promotion of cultural heritage, planning of intermodal urban mobility, development of an open innovation system and sustainable agroecological practices.

Partners have found that the exchange of ideas and experiences has been particularly useful and enriching. By building long-lasting networks across the region based on good cooperation and mutual trust, the ADRION Programme can help build a smarter, greener, a better connected and well-governed Adriatic and Ionian Region.



Voices of the Programme

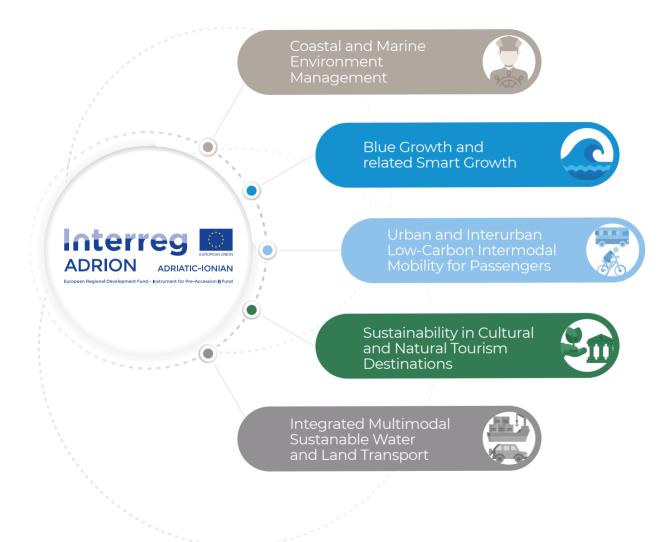
XHERINA HAXHILLARI

Head of Monitoring Unit, Territorial Cooperation Directorate Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs of Albania

The Adriatic-Ionian Region is a place of considerable differences; however it has brought together so many countries in a harmonical atmosphere. ADRION has served as a bridge between the EU and the Western Balkans. The new opportunities that ADRION has opened up have made a huge change, especially for Albania. The positive approach that ADRION has has, led to a large number of beneficiaries in different areas, which has offered a new perspective to the country. ADRION also plays a significant role in the support of the enlargement process. It has a strategic geographical location and enormous potential for growth in the transport system, environment and tourism.

In saying this, ADRION has had a huge impact not only in increasing the economy but also in offering the citizens knowledge and better living conditions. We are glad that we will continue this cooperation for the new Programme 2021- 2027.

ADRION is a great experience!



CAPITALISING PROJECT RESULTS: THE ADRION THEMATIC CLUSTERS

To increase the knowledge exchange between projects, ADRION has gathered the most relevant thematic areas of the programme into **five Thematic Clusters**, paving the way for result-oriented synergies linked to the new Cohesion Policy's objectives.

The Clusters' activity is one of the tasks of the ADRION capitalisation strategy which combines different measures to widen the projects' visibility and the promotion of their results as the programme's added value.

ADRION Thematic Clusters are open communities aiming to build the knowledge capital of the programme and to enhance the transfer of the project results beyond the programme's cooperation area.

In particular, the ADRION Thematic Clusters aim to:

- Support the creation of synergies between projects
- Help the development of thematic analysis and the identification of new areas and fields of intervention to be funded in the future programming period
- Help increase the **promotion of the projects** in a more strategic way: ensure the dissemination and transferability of project results

Each Thematic Cluster involves project representatives, EUSAIR Thematic Steering Group members, experts and potential stakeholders from other INTERREG programmes to allow for effective exchanges within the same thematic areas.



Thematic Cluster

BLUE GROWTH AND RELATED SMART GROWTH

Given the fragile nature of the marine environment, in the last years the Adriatic-Ionian Region, following the policy objectives of the new EU Cohesion Policy, has progressively focused on the sustainable use of natural resources by supporting the maritime sector as a whole in order to strengthen social and economic growth.

The Thematic Cluster on Blue Growth and related Smart Growth has involved 10 projects that work together in a wide range of sectors that are interdependent and contribute to the overall Blue and Smart Growth frame: energy, fisheries and aquaculture, the bio-economy, bio-technologies, green shipbuilding and the nautical sector development.

Projects involved in the Thematic Cluster BIOECO R.D.I.

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FUTURE 4.0

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PoWER

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The Cluster has developed a joint policy paper with scientific recommendations for influencing the policy debate in the topic of Blue Growth and related Smart Growth and project ideas to be potentially funded in the future.



Newsletters promoting cluster's activities and the outcomes of the involved projects

Joint actions





Policy paper providing scientific and policy recommendations to influence policy debate at macroregional level



Project ideas following **EUSAIR Flagship** priorities and cross sectoral topics linking Blue growth to all **EUSAIR** pillars



Blue Growth has a pivotal role within the Adriatic-Ionian Region's economy with potential for innovation and sustainable development. The exploitation of blue economy advantages offers new opportunities for income diversification, growth, sustainable use and ecosystem management in the area. EUSAIR Pillar 1 has a high priority to support and strengthen the synergies among the area's stakeholders to unlock the spectrum of opportunities for marine and maritime actions.

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Dr Irene Tzouramani

Hellenic Agricultural Organization - DIMITRA Athens, Greece



Interview with the coordinator

NIKITAS NIKITAKOS

Professor at Dept. of Shipping Trade and Transport - University of the Aegean (Greece)



As ADRION Thematic Cluster coordinator, can you tell us the value of this experience?

For me this has been a very positive experience, especially because I have a maritime and shipping business background and this experience brings me to see Blue Growth and Smart Growth from different points of view, considering blue energy, marine biotechnology, environment, circular economy and technology transfer as crucial aspects of the same topic.

We had the opportunity to exchange ideas and good practices and we had identified some common goals that lead us to write some policy recommendations

focused on better environmental sustainability, on the use of big data and artificial intelligence for maritime transport and on other relevant issues for the area. We had also produced several new project ideas on knowledge transfer models, offshore renewable energy, low emission energy supply, digitalisation and innovation, fisheries and aquaculture, alternative financing of

What are the main sectors of development for the Blue Economy in the Adriatic-Ionian Region?

blue technology.

There are many important sectors, but I think the most relevant are related to two of the main issues of our times: fighting climate change and bringing forward the fourth industrial revolution.

Both issues require an adaptation of our way of work and the use of digitalisation to better manage Maritime Spatial Planning for the future.





FUTURE 4.0



PAVING THE WAY TO INDUSTRY 4.0 IN THE BLUE FCONOMY SECTOR

The challenges brought by the fourth industrial revolution are at the very heart of the FUTURE 4.0 project.

The whole value chain process of the manufacturing industry is radically changing, including the concept of enterprise with direct effects on production, industrial relations and human capital development.

Looking at the shipyard and nautical logistic supply chain, FUTURE 4.0 has designed an **Industry 4.0 Smart Learning Model** to enhance shipyard competitiveness in Italy (Veneto and Apulia), Croatia, Greece and Albania and support competent regional and national administrations in designing framework conditions for advanced manufacturing.

The project involves more than **130 companies of the blue economy** through tailored tools and a web platform that provides training measures for the upskilling and re-skilling of professional profiles.

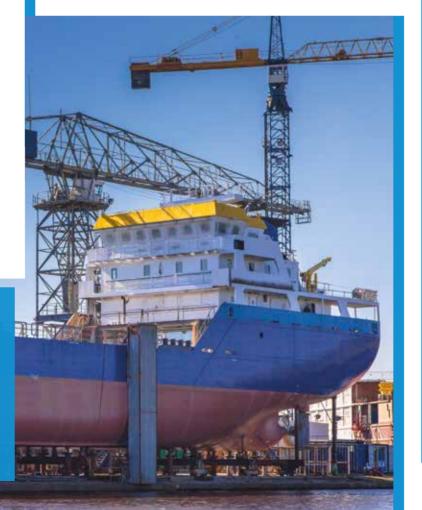
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We are proud of the project's achievements and of its positive impact on the maritime and naval industry in the Adriatic-Ionian area.

A large number of target companies transferred new knowledge linked to Industry 4.0, improving their potential in terms of innovation, effectiveness, cost reduction, new operative and managerial processes and development of new skills.

Giulio Cavinato

dustry and Craft Unit - Veneto Region







- Veneto Region Industry and Craft Unit (Italy)
- "Mesdheu" Center (Albania)
- Chamber of Achaia (Greece)
- Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Tirana (Albania)
- Confindustria Veneto SIAV S.p.A. (Italy)
- Polytechnic University of Bari (Italy)
- Primorje-Gorski Kotar County (Croatia)
- University of Patras (Greece)
- University of Rijeka Faculty of economics (Croatia)

Total project budget: 1.000.726,28 €

CALL 1











TRANSFORMING PORTS INTO INNOVATION HUBS: THE CHALLENGE OF POWER

The PoWER project supports the evolution of Adriatic-lonian ports into so-called "Innovation Hubs". Activities are based in six pilot areas: Bari and Ravenna (Italy), Brčko (Bosnia-Herzegovina), Durrës (Albania), Igoumenitsa (Greece) and Rijeka (Croatia). Each pilot area brings together local stakeholders - enterprises, schools, universities and public administration - in a participatory process aimed at co-creating roadmaps to evolve ports into Innovation Hubs. This participatory process, defined as "the PoWER Methodology", focuses on energy efficiency and ways to transform ports into sustainable and innovative hubs.

In particular, PoWER has mapped the ports' energy-related needs and launched a call for solutions targeted to researchers and entrepreneurs for selecting innovative solutions, including patents and products. High school and university students have also contributed in shaping the sustainable and innovative ports of tomor-

The ICT Platform **powerports.eu** provides materials and

tools developed under the project in order to foster and

facilitate the exchange among stakeholders and the dissemination of the selected ideas and solutions.

Marco Padula

row through gaming sessions aimed at drafting new business ideas. The project has ultimately developed a ioint strategy for the evolution of ADRION ports into Innovation Hubs consisting of four pathways: the ports as digital, economic, sustainable and logistic hubs.





PARTNERSHIP:

- National Research Council (Italy)
- C.N.A. National Confederation Of Handcrafts And of Smes Association of Province of Ravenna (Italy)
- Centre for economic, technological and environmental development Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- Centre for Research and Technology Hellas (Greece)
- Chamber of Thesprotia (Greece)
- Cooperation and Development Institute (Albania)
- Durres Municipality (Albania)
- European Affairs Fund AP Vojvodina (Serbia)
- Rijeka Development agency Porin Ltd. (Croatia)

Total project budget: **1.436.405,20 €**

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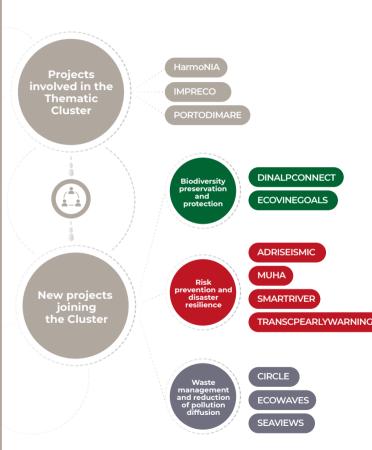
Thematic Cluster

COASTAL AND MARINE ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT

Maritime Spatial Planning is crucial if we want to better manage the threats of the sea's pollution and improve risk prevention and disaster resilience as well as safeguard coastal and marine biodiversity.

The ADRION Thematic Cluster on Coastal and Marine Environment Management focuses on the management of coastal and marine spaces by integrating diverse yet complementary topics, including biodiversity, risk management, marine pollution and the blue economy.

The Thematic Cluster developed a first round of activities that concluded at the end of 2020, and its main



results were presented during the ADRI-ON Annual and Capitalisation Event. Since 2021, new projects addressing three main topics – biodiversity preservation and protection, risk prevention and disaster resilience and waste management and reduction of pollution diffusion – have been added to this Thematic Cluster.



Project ideas to be potentially developed in future funding

Joint actions



Comparative analysis letecting the gaps and needs of the driatic-Ionian area and the benefits of

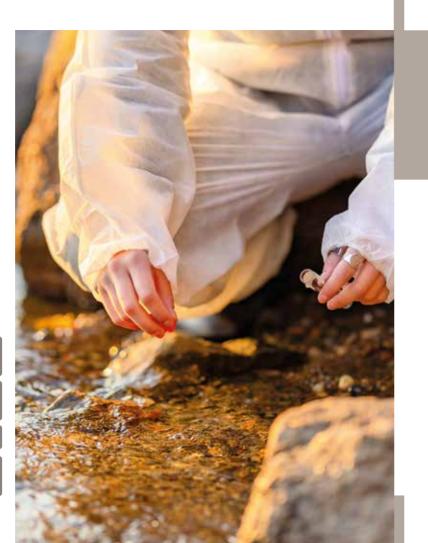
Fields interest

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Anthropic pressures on environmental components

> Transnational networking

Strategic planning for sustainable growth





Interview with the coordinato

OLGA SEDIOLI



What is the added value of liaising with projects working on similar areas of interventions?

A first value is in terms of energy. Each project copes with limited resources to implement the due activities (time, budget, people). Within the Cluster a new kind of renewable energy is born: the group rises a wave of new ideas, good advice and driving force. The exchange among sister projects sheds light on something that otherwise remains shadowed by the project routine.

Then we have **brainstorming**. There is always something that you would never have thought of without the help of another's eves. ears. mind or heart. Even (or, better: especially) if you are dealing with a subject which is part of your everyday expertise.

Subsidiarity is also a focal value, too often underestimated: in the Cluster you are not alone, even as a coordinator. One or more of your sister projects is always there to back you up, or cover for you. Last but not least, relationships.

The networking is essential for cooperation, but is not everything: the joint work within the Cluster allows you to meet new people and to appreciate their professional capacities. In this framework, the Cluster allowed the opening of the dialogue to broader contexts: thanks to the sharing of the Cluster results in the Workshop of the Interreg MED strategic project SHAREMED, the debate was brought towards the inter-programme coordination and integration.

One of the most relevant results of the Cluster has

been the elaboration of project ideas for the future programming period. The comparative analysis carried out on the three pro-

jects of the Cluster and their achievements brought about three key concepts of common intervention for future joint action: Knowledge, Cooperation and Counterparts.





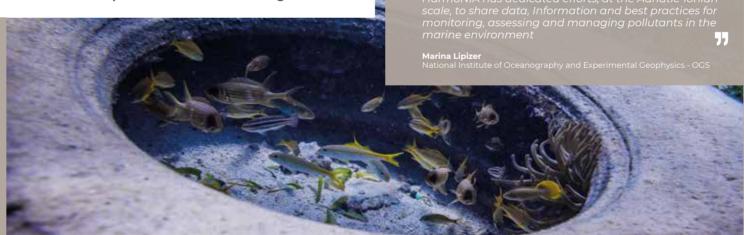
FROM GOOD DATA TO GOOD DECISIONS: KNOWLEDGE SHARING FOR HARMONISED POLICIES ON CONTAMINATION ISSUES IN THE ADRION SEAS

Countries sharing a marine region should adopt a common approach for marine monitoring and environmental status assessment, however, in the Adriatic and Ionian Seas, a common level of coherence needs to be implemented in the assessment of marine pollution.

Sharing data, information and best practices for monitoring and assessing marine contaminants and managing negative impacts of offshore activities represent the core of the ADRION project HarmoNIA. By sharing knowledge and competences, HarmoNIA provided methodological proposals for harmonised pollution monitoring and environmental impact assessment of offshore activities.

Three web-based tools that were needed to evaluate the status of the marine environment were implemented to discover and access data collected in the area

Now, it is easier to discover spatial and temporal trends of marine pollution in the ADRION region!



Finally, maps on pollution hazards and coastal vulnerability, together with hydrodynamic and oilspill models, are now available to assess the risk of pollution dispersion. This is fundamental in supporting transnational cooperation in the cases of pollution accidents and the safeguarding of ecosystem services.







- Institute of Oceanography and Experimental Geophysics (Italy)
- Agricultural University of Tirana (Albania)
- Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (Greece)
- Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries (Croatia)
- Italian National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (Italy)
- National Institute of Biology (Slovenia)
- University of Montenegro (Montenegro)
- Region of Western Greece (Greece)
- Ruder Boskovic Institute (Croatia)
- Slovenian Environment Agency (Slovenia)

Total project budget: 1.290.978,60 €

PRIORITY AXIS 🔀





SUBCLUSTER BIODIVERSITY PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION

ECO-VINEGOALS



PURSUING THE AGRO-**ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION** IN VINEYARDS OF THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION

Viticulture has played a significant role in the cultural and socio-economic life of the ADRION area since ancient times. However, modern intensive grapevine management frequently results in environmental degradation, like the loss of fertilising insects and soil exhaustion.

ECOVINEGOALS promotes the transition from

intensive to agroecological viticulture using updated versions of neglected farming and wildlife stewardship practices.

Detailed quidelines for 30 key agroecological practices were drawn up following interviews with more than 300 wine farmers, operating in ecologically sensitive areas of Italy, Slovenia, Serbia, Croatia, Montenegro and Greece. Those best practices are now being implemented within eight demonstrative territorial areas, to allow in-depth assessment of their effects within the farms and the surrounding areas. In parallel,

local and transnational action plans and strategies are being created involving citizens, public authorities and stakeholders with the aim of supporting landscape safeguarding and sustainable development of vineyard areas through enhancing participatory local governance.







PARTNERSHIP:

- Lag Eastern Venice (Italy)
- Agency for rural development of Istria Ltd. Pazin (Croatia)
- Autonomous Province of Trento (Italy)
- Business Development Center Kragujevac (Serbia)
- Chamber of Agriculture and Forestry of Slovenia (Slovenia)
- Foundation Business Start-up Center Bar (Montenegro)
- INFORMO (Croatia)
- Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (Greece)
- Municipality of Bar (Montenegro)
- Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts (Slovenia)

Total project budget: 1.939.505,59 €





DINALP-CONNECT



PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY FROM THE ALPS TO THE DINARIC MOUNTAINS

DINALPCONNECT represents an opportunity to strengthen transnational and sectoral cooperation and thus improve ecological connectivity throughout the Dinaric Mountains and connect them with the Alps. Ecological connectivity enables processes like gene flow, migration and dispersal of living organisms, thus counteracting the negative effects of habitat fragmentation and climate change, which pose significant threats to biodiversity and ecosystem services.

To improve ecological connectivity in the project area, eleven DINALPCONNECT partners from seven countries are working together to establish a network of pilot regions to strengthen transboundary linkages between Natura2000 sites and protected areas where ecological connectivity will be explored and consolidated.

The project fits perfectly into the EUSAIR which aims



to contribute to the Green Deal objectives, biodiversity conservation, and maintenance of ecosystem services. The project will also make an important contribution to the EUSALP AG7 goals by tackling the challenges of establishing ecological connectivity in the wider Alpine







PARTNERSHIP:

- Agricultural Institute of Slovenia (Slovenia)
- Agricultural University of Athens (Greece)
- Association BIOM (Croatia)
- Center for Energy, Environment and Resources (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- Development Solutions Associates (Albania)
- European Academy of Bozen (Italy)
- Julian Prealps Nature Park (Italy)
- Ministry of Agriculture and Rural development (Montenegro)
- Natura Jadera (Croatia)
- Dinarica NGO (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- Slovenia Forest Service (Slovenia)

Total project budget: 1.620.972,00 €

PRIORITY AXIS 🔀





Thematic Cluster

TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY IN CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM DESTINATIONS

Tourism represents one of the most important sectors of the Adriatic-Ionian area. Increasing pressure on tourism infrastructure and services and changes in demand and tourist behavior can represent a risk to sustainable development.

The Thematic Custer towards Sustainability in Cultural and Natural Tourism Destinations works to promote synergies among the participating projects and their stakeholders networks in order to develop innovative approaches in the field of sustainable tourism.

Main areas of interest include: sustainable water management in coastal areas, common branding,



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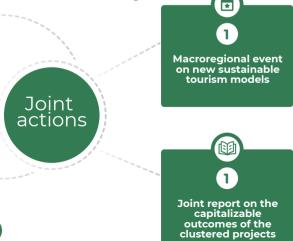
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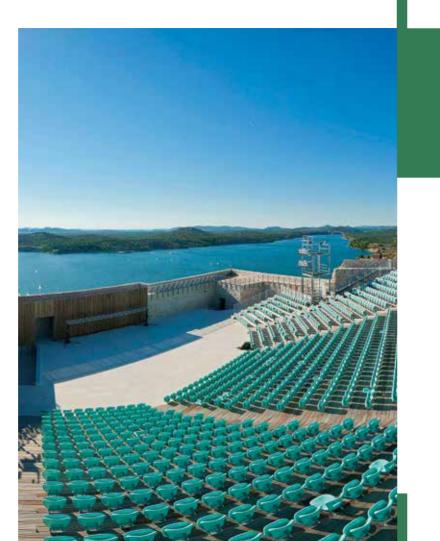
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revitalisation of tourist areas of minor relevance and promotion of local agri-food sectors, digitisation of cultural heritage and innovative tourism management approaches.

This Thematic Cluster developed a first round of activities that concluded at the end of 2020, and its main results were presented during the ADRION Annual and Capitalisation Event. Since 2021, new projects addressing three main topics have been added to the Cluster: cultural and creative industries, promotion of emerging destinations, innovation through new methodological approaches and models and ADRION branding.







Interview with the coordinator

KOSTAS TZAMALOUKAS

Senior Project Manager, Region of Western Greece (Greece)



Which types of areas of intervention have you identified within this Thematic Cluster?

The Thematic Cluster produced a report aiming to outline the capitalisable outcomes of the clustered projects in terms of innovative services, tools and policy recommendations. Especially towards the forthcoming new programming period, this Thematic Cluster highlighted the need for further policies design and specific measures application for the following topics:

- Enhanced collaboration for knowledge transfer
- Environmental preservation and climate change mitigation





■ Investments – funding attraction

Have you detected common challenges?

The main outcomes of the participating projects have been classified, looking at the most innovative areas in terms of products, marketing practices and governance approach.

Within these three areas, we identified initiatives related to tourism experiences, routes and itineraries, culture management and revitalisation, branding, cross-marketing initiatives, awareness raising, governance and ecosystem networking.

Taking into account the cross-sectoral effects of tourism, the above could be faced as common challenges of the programme area and the starting point to build future cooperation within the framework of the ADRION Programme or other funding instruments.





ADRION 5 SENSES



IT SOUNDS, FEELS AND LOOKS LIKE ADRION: THE **RECEIPT OF ADRION 5** SENSES FOR TOURISM

Across the world, macro-destinations are battling for their share of the tourism market. The ADRION region is trying to differentiate its - until now - successful tourism offering to ensure its position in the global market. The COVID-19 pandemic revealed the decay of the mass tourism model and the need for something new. The ADRION 5 SENSES project, proposed this new innovative approach, which includes extended partnerships (ADRION 5 SENSES Transnational Cooperation Network), rigorous market analysis (vision-mission-culture gap analysis), ongoing capacity-building activities and unification of the ADRION destination.

The project was based on the "5 Senses Philosophy" that introduced an alternative tourism development and promotional model, which invites the visitor to unlock his or her senses and feel the offering of an ADRION destination! To support that philosophy, project partners created a modern, open-for-use, unified brand known as the "ADRION 5 SENSES Brand", along with adequate tools (www.adrion5senses.eu web



platform, the "Map of Sensations" points-of-interest mapping and **nine Exhibition Centres**) to be used by tourism stakeholders. Finally, the project introduced its approach to the wider tourism market via its participation in three International tourism EXPOs: FITUR 2020 - Madrid, BIT Milan and AITE 2019 - Athens.

The approach of the ADRION 5 SENSES project has

been not only innovative but also up to date with the actual needs of the sector and the trends of the market.

A new approach and a new demand for quieter, safer,

services are in the rise. Destinations like the ADRION

personalised destinations and bespoke limited-capacity





PARTNERSHIP:

- Region of Epirus (Greece)
- Albanian Development Fund (Albania)
- Development Agency of Evia SA (Greece)
- National Tourism Organisation of Montenegro (Montenegro)
- RDA of Northern Primorska Ltd. Nova Gorica (Slovenia)
- Regional Agency for Economic Development of Šumadija and Pomoravlje (Serbia)
- Sarajevo Economic Region Development Agency (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- SIPRO Development Agency (Italy)
- Zadar County Development Agency ZADRA NOVA (Croatia)

Total project budget: **1.437.076,09 €**

PRIORITY AXIS





EMOUNDER-GROUNDS



ENHANCE CULTURAL HERITAGE THROUGH **EMOTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES**

The EMOUNDERGROUNDS project promotes the extraordinary richness of underground-built heritages, such as castles, fortresses and cultural buildings and cities located across Italy, Greece, Croatia, Slovenia, Albania, Montenegro and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The project fosters the use of technological, multimedia and interactive installations to better promote cultural itineraries. Reality rooms, smart mobile applications. and holographic demos will promote the attractiveness and competitiveness of the involved transnational tourist destinations.

The project will involve creative industries as incubators and hubs for cross-cultural contamination events. training and cultural education paths and awareness campaigns. Involved cultural sites include the: Castle of Acquaviva d'Aragona in Nardò. Pio's Palace in Carpi. Chlemoutsi Castle in Andravida - Kyllini, Gradina Castle in Rijeka, St. Michael's Fortress in Šibenik, the Castle



of Štanjel in Koper, the Podsmrek Castle in Ivančna Gorica, the old underground city in Kukes, the Old Town and the Castle of King Nicholas in Bar andthe fortress undergrounds in Trebinje.



Attractiveness of such cultural sites is even more enhanced by the mystery wing that experiential paths based on the most advanced technologies of virtual and augmented reality can assure, quiding visitors and users over the world in emotional and suggestive ways along history and legend of project cultural attractors undergrounds. Visitors have the opportunity to live a unique charming experience through the time, never





PARTNERSHIP:

- Municipality of Nardò (Italy)
- Municipality Ivančna Gorica (Slovenia)
- Municipality of Andravida-killini (Greece)
- Municipality of CARPI (Italy)
- Municipality of Kukes (Albania)
- Public Cultural Institution Fortress of Culture Šibenik (Croatia)
- Agency for Development of Small and Medium Enterprises of City of Trebinje (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- Regional development centre Koper (Slovenia)
- Rijeka Development Agency Porin Ltd (Croatia)
- Tourism organisation of municipality of Bar (Montenegro)

Total project budget: **2.605.497,06 €**

PRIORITY AXIS





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PROMOTE A SUSTAINABLE

AND ACCESSIBLE TOURISM

ECONOMY IN THE ADRION

The amazing reserve of natural, cultural and historical

heritage in the whole Mediterranean Basin is well

are threatening the sector, and an urgent request for

known to thousands of tourists all over the world. However, overtourism, pollution and urban congestion

innovative solutions is already emerging.



tourism, sustainable management of coastal tourism,

More than 12 pilot actions are being carried out by THEMATIC partners and will offer operational and transferable models of innovation, including landscape

augmented reality apps for accessible tourism and environmental monitoring systems for the sustainable fruition of archeological sites.



Cultural tourism is the present and could be the future of tourism in the Adriatic-Ionian Region.

Biagio Perretti





PARTNERSHIP:

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- University of Basilicata (Italy)
- BSC, Business support centre Ltd., Kranj (Slovenia)
- City Municipality Mediana City of Nis (Serbia)
- Enterprise Greece S.A. (Greece)
- Municipality of Preko (Croatia)
- Region of Epirus Regional Unit of Thesprotia (Greece)
- Regional agency for territorial promotion of Basilicata (Italy)
- Union of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Albania (Albania)
- Zlatibor Regional Development Agency (Serbia)

Total project budget: 1.448.999,17 €









Thematic Cluster

INTEGRATED MULTIMODAL SUSTAINABLE WATER AND LAND TRANSPORT

The Thematic Cluster on Integrated Multimodal Sustainable Water and Land Transport addresses low carbon transport, logistic services, port and hinterland operations and feasibility studies of related investments.

Six projects and 37 partners were involved in increasing the competitiveness, innovation and sustainability of the logistics infrastructures and services in the Adriatic-Ionian Region.

Projects involved in the Thematic Cluster

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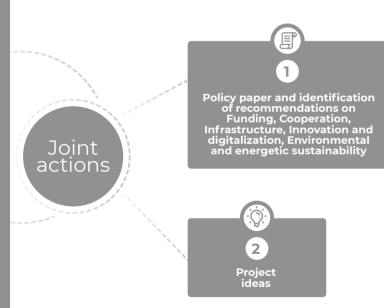
NEWBRAIN

SUPAIR

SUPER-LNG

In this Thematic Cluster a policy paper was developed that addressed policy-makers and other stakeholders at both the European, macro-regional and local levels and presented an overview of the transport and logistics system of the ADRION region and some relevant policy recommendations highlighting the main needs and vocation of the area.

Moreover, two project ideas on innovation and digitalisation as well as on environmental and energetic sustainability were conceived in this Cluster.







What have you achieved together as a Thematic Cluster?

The capitalisation activity implemented by the Thematic Cluster was aimed at defining a common strategic approach to strengthen the Adriatic-Ionian transport and logistics system as a key gateway for the freight connections between Eastern and South-Eastern European regions and Central and Western Europe.

The results are collected in a policy paper that highlights five thematic priorities to be addressed at the European, national and local levels to improve the integration, the connectivity and the resilience of the macro-regional transport and logistics sector: funding, cooperation, infrastructure, innovation and

digitalisation of nodes, sustainability and energy efficiency.

Digitisation and sustainability, as mainstream priorities with strong impacts for the efficiency and modernisation of the transport and logistics sector, are the key topics of two project ideas elaborated by the Thematic Cluster to pave the way for future joint cooperation opportunities in the next programming period.

To which extent does the cooperation with the other projects help improve the vision on your own project?

By sharing different technical perspectives on the same topic, the cooperation with the six different projects of the Thematic Cluster allowed the NEWBRAIN project to better align the objectives of the Transnational Strategy, signed by all project partners, to the common priorities detected at the macro-regional level in order to contribute to the integration of the Adriatic-Ionian transport system and of the related economies.





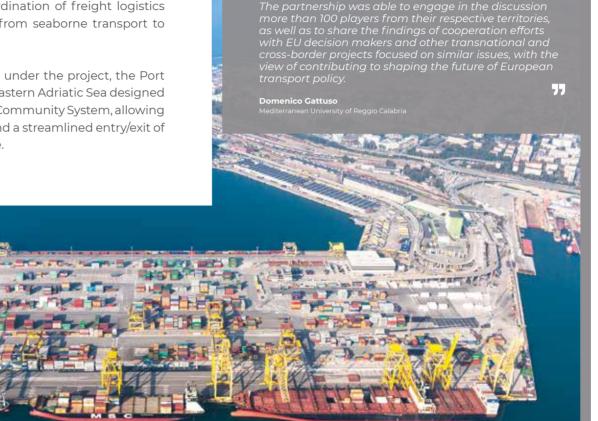
QUALIFYING ADRION PORTS AS STRATEGIC NODES AND HUBS FOR THE ADRIATIC-**IONIAN REGION**

The overall goal of ISTEN is to support the improvement of transport and logistics activities from the main seaports towards the hinterland of the Adriatic-Ionian Region.

The project represents a great chance to systematically

involve relevant stakeholders of the local porthinterland chains in the development of tools to achieve an improved coordination of freight logistics through different modes from seaborne transport to railwavs.

As pilot actions developed under the project, the Port Network Authority of the Eastern Adriatic Sea designed a new module for the Port Community System, allowing for real-time monitoring and a streamlined entry/exit of goods in the port of Trieste.







PARTNERSHIP:

- Mediterranea University of Reggio Calabria (Italy)
- Centre for Research and Technology Hellas (CERTH) (Greece)
- Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia (Serbia)
- Institute for Transport and Logistics Foundation (Italy)
- Port Authority of Šibenik-Knin County (Croatia)
- Port Network Authority of the Eastern Adriatic Sea (Italy)
- Port of Bar Holding Company (Montenegro)
- Port of Koper, port and logistic system, public limited company (Slovenia)
- Regional Council of Durres (Albania)
- Thessaloniki Port Authority S.A (Greece)

Total project budget: 1.332.000,00 €

PRIORITY AXIS





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MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH AND SOLUTIONS FOR MORE TARGETED AND SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENTS IN THE TRANSPORT NETWORK

Although intermodal transport is advantageous for society, road transport is a more dominant method of transport in our region and Europe as a whole. This is because road transport has full door-to-door service, more flexibility in its organisation, more reliability and better prices. For intermodal transport to become competitive, it is necessary to raise the consciousness of users with regard to its advantages for society and the environment.

Proiect MultiAPPRO contributes to each of these elements by working on:

- the collection and analysis of **bottlenecks** within the National Working Groups and Intermodal Transport Network
- the creation of guidelines for the establishment of promotion centres
- the development of a **Transport Performance Strategy**

The tool was tested on five ports in the Adriatic-Ionian area (three project partners - Port of Bar, Port of Ploče Authority and Piraeus Port Authority - and two additional ports in partner countries - Port of Saranda and Port of Koper) and results have supported planned investments. It will give users an idea if the planned investments will have a positive impact on the whole transport chain in their ports.

Tanja Vujnović Kereš

The **Transport Performance Strategy** is a tool which uses key performance indicators and unique algorithms to individually assess each port and the effects of any potential investment on any intermodal transport component with respect to intermodality, operational, financial, safety, environmental and intelligent transport systems issues.







PARTNERSHIP:

- Intermodal Transport Cluster (Croatia)
- Codognotto Holding (Italy)
- Institute of Transport Project and Studies Sector (Albania)
- Intermodal Logistics Training Consortium (Italy)
- Ministry of infrastructure Maritime division (Slovenia)
- National Technical University in Athens (Greece)
- Piraeus Port Authority Sa (Greece)
- Port of Bar Holding company (Montenegro)
- Port of Ploče Authority (Croatia)

Total project budget: 1.177.060,00 €

PRIORITY AXIS

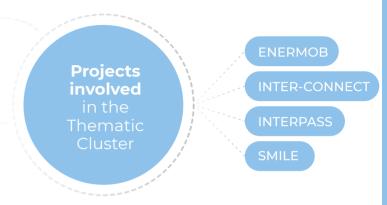


Thematic Cluster

URBAN AND INTERURBAN LOWCARBON INTERMODAL MOBILITY FOR PASSENGERS

Sustainable mobility in Europe is developing rapidly and an increasing number of local communities wan to take an active role in limiting the negative impact of transport to improve quality of life.

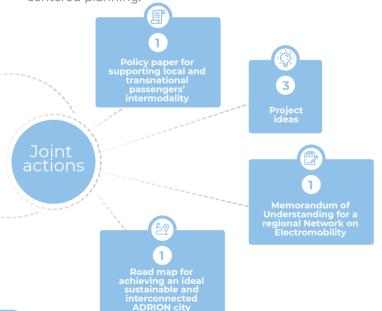
Innovative sustainable mobility and transport solutions are aimed at meeting climate change an carbon reduction goals while a number of Europea projects are creating high quality technical an scientific materials.



The Thematic Cluster on Urban and Interurban Low-Carbon Intermodal Mobility for Passengers, brought together partners of INTER-PASS, SMILE, ENERMOB and Inter-Connect projects with the common goal of promoting and upgrading the results of these projects and influencing the debate at the EU level on

low-carbon mobility policies.

After the main results and outcomes of the four projects were reviewed in this Cluster, it was determined that the following joint issues needed to be worked on: electromobility, improved quality of existing public transport services, micromobility promotion, citizens' engagement and usercentered planning.







Interview with the coordinator

MARIA MORFOULAKI

Operational Scientist at Centre for Research and Technology (Greece)



Which results have you achieved in this Thematic Cluster?

One of our main objectives as a Thematic Cluster was to identify the main principles and the main actions that should be realised for creating the **AnyAdrionCity**, an optimum – in regard to sustainable passengers' mobility and interconnectivity – city in the ADRION area.

The actions referred to specific aspects and more precisely to:

• City connectivity: Specific measures, such as the

development of new public transport lines, introduction of ICT at public transport systems, development of shared mobility services, construction of e-mobility infrastructures and purchase of relevant fleet, were proposed, with a dedicated reference to measures for boosting electromobility.

- City Port: Measures for improvement of the port's connectivity, such as development of port-city PuT lines, information systems, users' applications and baggage handling services, were proposed, with a dedicated reference to the cruise cases.
- City Airport: Measures for enhancing the role of the airport, such as airport-city connections with PuT lines, development of passenger information systems and applications, were proposed.
- City Rail: Measures for enhancing the role of the railway system, such as multimodal railway stations served by alternative public transport means and development of bilateral agreements for crossborder services, were identified.

What is the added value of working together as a Thematic Cluster?

Working together as a Thematic Cluster offered to all the participants extended knowledge on the same wider topic but from different views, information exchange at a wider scale, excellent networking experience – fresher and bolder ideas that will also help us to gain a clear opinion for the needs of the new programming period and an opportunity to take part in further schemes and initiatives, to validate and extend our projects' results. Our cooperation as a Thematic Cluster multiplied our "power" and generated a stronger voice towards sustainable and intermodal passenger mobility in the ADRION area.







GETTING THERE: FROM AIRPORT TO PORT. THE CHALLENGE OF CONNECTING PORTS AND AIRPORTS

The importance of the Adriatic-Ionian Region in terms of seasonal tourism has been confirmed by growing numbers of tourists and there are many maritime cities dealing with a very high number of passengers during the peak season.

The processing of passengers has become a challenge, especially in cities such as Dubrovnik, Pula, Corfu and Bari which are among the most important "homeports" for cruises and ferries.

The level of integration within different modes of transportation is still very low and there is a concrete need to implement fast and effective connections between ports and airports in order to speed up the processing of passengers.

The INTER-PASS project responds to this challenge by focusing on improving intermodal connections between the ports and airports of four sites in the Adriatic-Ionian Region that target passengers

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(mainly cruise tourists and travellers reaching tourist destinations). INTER-PASS is testing four identified solutions that will be implemented in Dubrovnik. Pula. Corfu and Bari with the aim of speeding up tourist processing between ports and airports.





PARTNERSHIP:

- **Dubrovnik Airport Ltd. (Croatia)**
- Airports of Apulia (Italy)
- Corfu Port Authority S.A. (Greece)
- Dubrovnik Port Authority (Croatia)
- Pula Airport Ltd (Croatia)
- Pula Port Authority (Croatia)
- Southern Adriatic Sea Port Authority (Italy)
- University of Ioannina (Greece)

Total project budget: 1.498.568,08 €

PRIORITY AXIS







IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY: HOW INTERMODALITY CAN **BOOST TOURISM, CITIES** ATTRACTIVENESS AND CITIZENS' WELL-BEING

If we could give a "poetic description" of Inter-Connect it would be "from healthy roots to nutrient-dense fruits", which refers to the real-needs generated cooperation that brought valuable outputs! With the support of a wide network of stakeholders, the project:

- Reviewed the intermodal passengers transportation policy background (we created a pool of good practices on this topic)
- Romagna, Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Ljubljana, Zagreb, Bar, Durres, Belgrade)
- Defined a roadmap for ADRION's connectivity. which helped translate the project's results into

Focused on eight pilot cases (Igoumenitsa, Emilia

recommendations

- Developed the "Intermodal Transport Capacity-Building Toolkit", which serves Inter-Connect's objective of training authorities
- Implemented four webinars that offer a pocket experience of what we have learned
- Joined forces with three other projects under the ADRION Thematic Cluster of Urban and Interurban Low-Carbon Intermodal Mobility for Passengers and cross-fertilised and enhanced results





PARTNERSHIP:

- **■** Municipality of Igoumenitsa (Greece)
- Central European Initiative Executive Secretariat (Italy)
- Centre for Research and Technology Hellas (CERTH) (Greece)
- Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Belgrade (Serbia)
- Emilia-Romagna Region General Directorate for Territorial and Environmental safeguard (Italy)
- HZ Passenger Transport Ltd. (Croatia)
- Institute for Transport and Logistics Foundation (Italy)
- Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (Albania)
- Port of Bar Holding company (Montenegro)
- Regional Development Agency of the Ljubljana Urban Region (Slovenia)
- Total project budget: 1.604.192,38 €

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NEXT PROGRAMMING PERIOD: ADRION 2021-2027

ADRION has formally started the process of designing a new programme which will run in the next seven years.

During the upcoming programming period, ADRION will continue to support interregional cooperation in the Adriatic-Ionian Region.

Moreover, in line with EUSAIR, North Macedonia will join in the new programming period, increasing the number of partner countries to nine.

To reinforce the effectiveness of the EU Cohesion Policy and help achieve the highest possible impact of the future funded projects, ADRION will address common challenges in key areas for the Adriatic-Ionian Region.

In particular, throughout the next programming period (2021-2027), ADRION will focus on these main policy objectives:

- **1.** A **smarter Europe** by promoting innovative and smart economic transformation
- 2. A greener, low-carbon Europe by promoting clean and fair energy transition, green and blue investment, the circular economy, climate adaptation and risk prevention and management
- **3.** A **more connected Europe** by enhancing mobility and regional ICT connectivity
- **4.** An **enhanced institutional capacity** of public authorities and stakeholders to implement macroregional strategies and sea-basin strategies



PROJECT INFO

ARIEL

PROJECT SITE

ariel.adrioninterreg.eu

CALL 1º

TEMATIC CLUSTER

BLUE GROWTH AND RELATED SMART GROWTH

PROMOTING SMALL SCALE FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE TRANSNATIONAL NETWORKING IN ADRIATIC-IONIAN MACROREGION

ARIEL project is jointly promoted and developed by 9 scientific and institutional partners of 4 Countries (Italy, Croatia, Greece and Montenegro) and focuses on small-scale fishery and aquaculture which are two key drivers for blue and sustainable growth of Adriatic and Ionian communities.

BEGIN

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TEMATIC CLUSTER

BOOST ENVIRONMENTAL GUARDIANSHIP FOR INCLUSION

BEGIN will define models for creation and management of social start-ups finalized to the inclusion of disadvantaged people. Innovative feature and main objective of Begin is the creation of tools to encourage the creation and development of social start-ups active in safeguarding of environmental protection for social work inclusion and employment of disadvantaged people.

BIOECO R.D.I.

PROJECT

bioecordi.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



BIO-ECONOMY RESEARCH DRIVEN INNOVATION

BIOECO-RDI aims at developing a Regional Innovation System for the Adriatic-Ionian area based on a structured bio-economy sector though the development of Research Driven Innovation (R.D.I.) strategy at regional and transnational level.

BLUE BOOST

T SITE blueboost.adrioninterreg.eu

CALL 1º

TEMATIC CLUSTER

BOOSTING THE INNOVATION POTENTIAL OF THE TRIPLE HELIX OF ADRIATIC-IONIAN TRADITIONAL AND EMERGING BLUE GROWTH SECTORS CLUSTERS THROUGH AN OPEN SOURCE/KNOWLEDGE SHARING AND COMMUNITY BASED APPROACH

BLUE BOOST aims at unlocking and boosting the potential of knowledge/technology transfer, transnational and cross-sectoral cooperation of key innovation actors of traditional and emerging Blue Growth sectors by reinforcing the relationships and interactions within and among their clusters.

BLUEAIR

BLUE GROWTH SMART ADRIATIC IONIAN S3 blueair.adrioninterreg.eu

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BLUEAIR aims at developing a common transnational Smart Specialization Strategy (S3) on Blue Growth for the ADRION region. BLUEAIR will identify sectors of macro-regional interest and exploit potentials for transnational cooperation by looking at the opportunities arising from the Adriatic and Ionian seas, untapped market opportunities in the blue economy, as well as coastal and inland territories.

ECO-NAUTINET

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



NETWORK'S SUPPORT FOR SMES IN THE NAUTICAL SECTOR OF THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION The project main objective is the realization of a common and innovative ADRION's Network dedicated to SMEs, Research Institutions and Business Support Organizations with aim of improving SME's competitiveness and innovation in the Nautical sector and supporting their internationalization.

PROJECT NAME

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FOST INNO

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fostinno.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



FOSTERING TOURISM INNOVATION SYSTEM IN ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION

FOST INNO aims to contribute to the long term growth of tourism in the Adriatic Ionian region through innovations capacity building. The overall objective of the project is to improve and ensure long term competitiveness of the Adriatic-Ionian area by enhancing innovation capacity in sustainable tourism.

FUTURE 4.0

PROJECT SITE

PROJECT SITE

future4.adrioninterreg.eu

CALL 1º

TEMATIC CLUSTER



MANUFACTURING EDUCATION AND TRAINING GOVERNANCE MODEL FOR INDUSTRY 4.0 IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN AREA

The challenges brought about by the fourth industrial revolution are at the very heart of the project FUTURE 4.0. The project intends to design a shared strategy to innovate companies approach to training through a Smart Learning Model enhancing shipyard competitiveness in Italy (Veneto & Apulia), Croatia, Greece and Albania.

INNOVAGRO

innovagro.adrioninterreg.eu

CALL 1º

TEMATIC CLUSTER



DEVELOPMENT OF AN INNOVATIVE NETWORK FOR THE PROMOTION OF EXTROVERSION OF AGROFOOD COMPANIES IN ADRIATIC-IONIAN AREA

INNOVAGRO focuses on the development of links and synergies between farmers, agro-food enterprises, Research Institutes and Public Authorities, for the promotion of agro-food products' extroversion, the development of agro-food companies' internalization, and the promotion of environmentally – friendly farming practices.

PROJECT INFO

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INNOXENIA

INNOVATION IN TOURISM IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN MACROREGION innoxenia.adrioninterreg.eu CALL 1º TEMATIC CLUSTER SUSTAINABILITY IN CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM NATURAL TOURISM

INNOXENIA aims at improving the innovation capability of ADRION tourism sector, relying heavily on innovative products, processes and services that can supplement natural and cultural offerings. The project will network the transnational ADRION quadruple helix tourism community into an Adriatic Ionian Tourism.

NEORION

PROMOTION OF GREEN MARITIME TECHNOLOGIES AND NEW MATERIALS TO ENHANCE SUSTAINABLE SHIPBUILDING IN ADRIATIC IONIAN REGION neorion.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



NEORION aims at establishing a transnational Cluster in the Adriatic-Ionian on Green Shipbuilding that will accelerate both the cooperation of key actors & innovation in the industry. NEORION is expected to reinforce the traditional shipbuilding sector through coordinated efforts that will facilitate the exploitation of innovative technologies and technology transfer between new complementary markets.

OIS-AIR

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OPEN INNOVATION SYSTEM OF THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION PROJECT SITE oisair.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



OIS–AIR establishes and develops the Open Innovation System of the Adriatic-Ionian Region: a Hub&Spoke network forging lasting transnational links and leveraging the raw materials of the 21st century, knowledge and innovation. OIS–AIR designs a Pilot Adriatic-Ionian S3 aimed at building initiatives on synergic specialisation sectors and KETs and it develops an Action Plan for the Pilot Adricatic-Ionian S3 implementation and monitoring.

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POWER

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power.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



PORTS AS DRIVING WHEELS OF ENTREPRENEURIAL REALM PoWER aims to support the evolution of ports into Innovation Hubs, able to act as new transmission belts between regions, and to exploit their untapped entrepreneurial potential. In particular, PoWER fosters collaboration among the key-actors of the Innovation Supply Chain (ISC), in order to turn the multi-layered challenges affecting ADRION ports into an opportunity to integrate, cross-fertilize and exploit the "power" of territories.

REINSER

REFUGEES' ECONOMIC INTEGRATION THROUGH SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROJECT SITE reinser.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER

REINSER focuses on the economic integration of refugees through social entrepreneurship. The main objective is to enhance possibilities for refugees to contribute to the economic development of the hosting countries. REINSER will set up a network to encourage the participation of refugees in the sector of social entrepreneurship and thus support their inclusion into the labour market.

SEADRION

PROJECT SITE

seadrion.adrioninterreg.eu

CALL 1º

TEMATIC CLUSTER



FOSTERING DIFFUSION OF HEATING & COOLING TECHNOLOGIES USING THE SEAWATER PUMP IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION

SEADRION aims to identify benefits and barriers linked to the use of seawater heat pump (an innovation system that uses the thermal energy contained in a reservoir (sea) to achieve the cooling and thermal energy in the buildings), to find a system solution designed to improve the use of the seawater heat pump technology and make the building's energy self-sufficient and independent of fossil fuels.

PROJECT INFO

SHIPMENTT

STRENGTHENING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROCESSES IN GREEN SEA MOBILITY SECTORS

PROJECT SITE shipmentt.adrioninterreg.eu

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The SHIPMENTT project aims at establishing an innovation ecosystem focused on the green sea mobility sector (referred partially as green shipping in EUSAIR) across the ADRION area. In the mediumterm, the aim is to enhance the investments in regional R&D and increase the competitiveness of the local SMEs.

SI4CARE

SOCIAL INNOVATION FOR INTEGRATED HEALTH CARE OF AGEING POPULATION IN ADRION REGION

PROJECT SITE si4care.adrioninterreg.eu

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SI4CARE comes in needs of addressing the healthcare industry which consumes 3 to 9% of GDP in the ADRION area and it is often marked by increasing inequalities. To this end, SI4CARE will focus on the elderly population by supporting public administrations to act as social innovators, promoting cooperation between research centres and enterprises.



PROJECT INFO

ADRIATICAVES

PROJECT SITE

adriaticaves.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER

SUSTAINABILITY IN CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM DESTINATIONS

SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT AND TOURIST PROMOTION OF NATURAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL HERITAGE IN THE ADRIATIC CAVES

The main objective of the Adriaticaves project is to establish and promote natural and archaeological heritage in caves of the ADRION as an alternative all year long tourism product.

ADRILINK

PROJECT SITE

adrilink.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER

TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURI

ADRIATIC LANDSCAPE INTERPRETATION NETWORK

ADRILINK promotes Landscape Tourism in the Adriatic region through the creation of a network of Landscape Interpretation Centres, aiming to safeguard local identities and connect them in a transnational network.

ADRINETBOOK

PROJECT SITE

adrinetbook.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



ADRION CULTURAL HERITAGE COLLECTIONS NETWORK

ADRINETBOOK focuses on the development of virtual collections as an important contribution to the preservation of cultural heritage in a sustainable and modern way. The project will create a new integrated and unique Adrion Collection with strong ties with the Europeana Collections.

PROJECT INFO

ADRIONET

ADRIATIC-IONIAN NETWORK OF AUTHENTIC VILLAGES adrionet.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



SUSTAINABILITY IN CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM

ADRIONET looks at setting up a transnational network of "Authentic Villages" as a driver for local development in order to overcome the current marginalization and under-valorisation of minor destinations. The adopted innovative "hospitable community" approach strongly commits citizenship.

ADRION 5

BUILDING THE ADRION BRAND NAME IN TOURISM: INDULGING ALL FIVE SENSES

PROJECT SITE

adrion5senses.adrioninterreg.eu

TEMATIC CLUSTER



SUSTAINABILITY IN CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM

The common territorial challenge to be addressed by ADRION 5 SENSES is the lack of a sustainable tourism model based on innovative, high-quality tourism products and services. The project suggests a olistic approach to sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch to develop effective branding strategies and boost the performance of ADRION destinations by creating conditions to enhance tourist experiences.

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APPRODI

FROM ANCIENT MARITIME ROUTES TO ECO-TOURISTIC **DESTINATIONS**

approdi.adrioninterreg.eu PROJECT SITE

CALL 1º

TEMATIC CLUSTER



CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM

APPRODI main objective is to promote and valorize cultural heritages in ADRION area by enhancing management and promotion of ancient harbors sites as touristic destinations and by improving the involvement of local communities.

PROJECT NAME

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ADRISEISMIC

CENTRES

adriseismic.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



NEW APPROACHES FOR

SEISMIC IMPROVEMENT AND RENOVATION OF ADRIATIC AND IONIAN HISTORIC URBAN

ADRISEISMIC looks at reducing seismic vulnerability of historical urban and historical squares and their surroundings through harmonized planning and management of emergencies during seismic events and post-earthquake phase.

CCI4TOURISM

STRENGTHEN ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS OF CULTURAL AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES FOR THE VAI ORISATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUSTAINABLE TOURISM MODELS IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGIONS

cci4tourism.adrioninterreg.eu PROJECT SITE

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



CCI4TOURISM supports Cultural and Creative industries (CCIs) as key players for the implementation of cultural tourism-related policies and for improving tourism offering. CCI4TOURISM will boost entrepreneurship within CCIs by increasing skills and competences of operators, set up a network of Creative Hubs with the aim of improving heritage's valorisation and digital technologies.

CIRCLE

CIRCULAR INNOVATION AND RESILIENT CITY LABS IN THE ADRION REGION

circle.adrioninterreg.eu PROJECT SITE

TEMATIC CLUSTER



ENVIRONMENT

CIRCLE aims at planning and developing Circular Innovation Resilient Cities Labs (CIRCLabs), through which to design and test innovative models of circular economy in 4 pilot fields; industrial symbiosis: electronic wastes; organic waste and demolition waste.

PROJECT INFO

PROMOTING CREATIVE TOURISM THROUGH NEW EXPERIENTIAL AND SUSTAINABLE ROUTES

CREATURES aims to increase sustainability and competitiveness of the tourism sector by enhancing Creative and Cultural Industries' through innovation. Policy recommendations. Local Action Plans and related pilot activities will provide decision makers with new strategic tools for Creative and Cultural Industries; the development of mobile app and multimedia installations will support tourists in identifying new touristic

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PROJECT SITE

DINALPCONNECT

dinalpconnect.adrioninterreg.eu PROJECT SITE

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MARINE ENVIRONMENT

MARINE

ENVIRONMENT

SUSTAINABILITY IN

NATURAL TOURISM

TRANSBOUNDARY ECOLOGICAL CONNECTIVITY OF ALPS AND DINARIC MOUNTAINS

The common territorial challenge to be addressed by ADRION 5 SENSES is the lack of a sustainable tourism model based on innovative, high-quality tourism products and services. The project suggests a holistic approach to sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch to develop effective branding strategies and boost the performance of ADRION destinations by creating conditions to enhance tourist experiences.

ECOVINEGOALS

ECOLOGICAL VINEYARDS GOVERNANCE **ACTIVITIES FOR** LANDSCAPE'S STRATEGIES

ECOVINEGOALS tackles the challenge of viticulture intensive systems and its negative effects on soil, water, air quality, biodiversity and ecosystem services. The project helps develop strategies, action plans, tools and capacities for agro-ecological transition of viticulture areas towards low input and low emission management systems.

PROJECT NAME

PROJECT INFO

ECOWAVES

PROJECT SITE

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MARINE FNVIDONMENT

> CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM

ENHANCING COOPERATION IN WASTE MANAGEMENT FROM VESSELS IN **ADRION PORTS**

ECOWAVES aims to establish a long-term transnational sustainable vessel waste management model. supporting waste management/recycling in port areas, involving also cruiser lines.

ÜNDERGROUNDS

EMOTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE CULTURAL HERITAGE VALORISATION WITHIN CROSS-BORDER

EMOUNDERGROUNDS boosts the attractiveness and competitiveness of selected targeted tourist destinations. The project will do 10 small-scale technological investments (virtual reality rooms, smart mobile applications, holographic demos, interactive screens/projections), develop emotional joint paths, organise capacity building and cultural events to better promote the cultural sites.

HARMONIA

UNDERGROUNDS

PROJECT SITE

harmonia.adrioninterreg.eu

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ENVIRONMENT

HARMONIZATION AND NETWORKING FOR CONTAMINANT ASSESSMENT IN THE IONIAN AND ADRIATIC SEAS

In the framework of enhancing the capacity to tackle environmental vulnerability and safeguard ecosystem services attransnational scale, the objective of HarmoNIA is twofold: to share best practices to support the harmonized implementation of marine environmental directives in the ADRION region and to strengthen the network of data infrastructures to facilitate access and re-use of marine data.

PROJECT INFO

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IMPRECO

COMMON STRATEGIES AND BEST PRACTICES TO IMPROVE THE TRANSNATIONAL PROTECTION OF **ECOSYSTEM INTEGRITY** AND SERVICES

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ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT

IMPRECO main objective is to enhance the safeguarding of ecosystem services and tackle their environmental vulnerability strengthening the potential of protected areas in biodiversity and ecosystems conservation through their transnational networking.

I-STORMS

INTEGRATED SEA STORM MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

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The aim of I-STORMS is to enhance transnational cooperation sharing knowledge, data & forecasts through a common infrastructure, joint strategies to deal with sea storm emergencies, improving at the same time countries' capacities on data interoperability, early warning & civil protection procedures, in alignment with the EU Civil Protection Mechanism.

MUHA

MULTIHAZARD FRAMEWORK FOR WATER RELATED RISKS MANAGEMENT

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MARINE ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT

MUHA focuses on multihazard management of water-related risks: accidental pollution, floods, droughts, failure of critical infrastructure due to earthquakes, MUHA will deliver a harmonized action plan, methods and tools devoted to Improved Water Safety Plan for the Adriatic-Ionian area.

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PORTODIMARE

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GEOPORTAL OF TOOLS & DATA FOR SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF COASTAL AND MARINE **FNVIRONMENT**

In full compliance with the Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) and Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) principles and policies and supporting concretely the implementation of the EUSAIR Action Plan, PORTODIMARE project aims at creating a common platform (Geoportal) for data, information and decision support tools focused on coastal and marine areas of the Adriatic-Ionian Region.

PRONACUL

PROJECT SITE

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



PROMOTION OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE TO DEVELOP SUSTAINABLE TOURISM IN PROTECTED AREAS

PRONACUL works for the implementation of a common management methodology of natural and cultural heritage in the Adrion area, based on a participatory approach of stakeholders. Participatory approach shall be tested in pilot clustered areas and making use of virtual chambers, an online platform acting as a consulting body for tourism developers and public bodies to exchange experiences and good practices.

ONEST

PROJECT SITE

anest.adrioninterreg.eu

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OUALITY NETWORK ON SUSTAINABLE TOURISM Through the realization of a transnational model of participative interaction between private and public stakeholders the project will contribute to: improve and spread a common awareness on quality and sustainable tourism among different types of actors in Adriatic Ionian area.

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SECTOR ADAPTIVE VIRTUAL FARLY WARNING SYSTEM FOR MARINE POLLUTION

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SEAVIEWS works to develop an innovative virtual early warning system to prevent and manage marine pollution from various sources. The project will design a transnational repository network aiming to receive, store and analyse data about sea water quality from smart sensors based in critical stationary and moving points.

SMART HERITAGE

SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT AND PROMOTION OF COMMON CULTURAL HERITAGE

smartheritage.adrioninterreg.eu

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CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM DESTINATIONS

Overall objective of SMART Heritage is the promotion, valorisation and protection of cultural heritage in Adriatic and Ionic regions, in particular by raising tourism attractiveness and reducing tourism seasonality of project areas. Milestone output is the creation of CULTURAL ROUTE "SMART HERITAGE": a networking structure, opened not only to partner regions but enlarged to entire ADRION area.

BUILDING SMART GOVERNANCE TO MANAGE ELOODING RISK OF RIVER COMMUNITIES

smartriver.adrioninterreg.eu PROJECT SITE

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MARINE ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT

SMARTRIVER involves six river basins affected by climate change impacts. The project will help develop flooding Risk Reduction Plans focussed on rivers, setting up common methodologies, structured knowledge exchange and capacity building, promoting a transnational model of governance to increase the climate adaptation capacity of river communities.

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SUSTOURISMO

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HAND DEVELOPMENT

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SUSTURISMO aims to generate innovative eco-friendly tourism models for lower carbon tourism. through the increase of modal share of active transportation (walking, cycling), public transport and lower-carbon mobility concepts (car sharing car-pooling, electro mobility).

TANGRAM

PROJECT SITE

tangram.adrioninterreg.eu

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TRANSNATIONAL PARKS AND GARDENS RESOURCES IN ADRIATIC AND IONIAN TOURIST MARKETPLACE

TANGRAM supports a sustainable tourism model though the valorisation and promotion of parks and gardens in connection with major cultural and natural resources of the Adriatic-Ionian region, based on joint developed methodological tools and a new governance system based on a participatory approach including private and public bodies.

PROJECT SITE

thematic.adrioninterreg.eu

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THEMATIC TOURISM FOUNDED ON INNOVATION CAPACITIES THEMATIC responds to the consequences of overexploitation of cultural and natural sites due to mass tourism as well as to the need to improve access of tourists with special needs. The project offers a common framework for capacity building in the fields of planning and management of sustainable and accessible tourism, supporting cooperation among research and innovation actors, policy makers and business actors.

TOUREST

TOURISM WATER MANAGEMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE ADRION COASTAL AREAS TOUREST supports the development and proliferation of sustainable tourism policies & practices to increase water efficiency in ADRION coastal areas, seeking to: a) minimise the negative impacts of tourism activities on natural heritage, and b) protect increasingly scarce water resources. These focal interventions points will directly contribute to the implementation of the 4th EUSAIR pillar.

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TRANSFER

INTEGRATED
MANAGEMENT MODELS
FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL
PARKS

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TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY IN CULTURAL AND NATURAL TOURISM DESTINATIONS

TRANSFER develops an integrated Common Governance Model for archaeological parks to enhance the preservation and valorisation of archaeological heritage within the ADRION area. The project foresees a bottom-up strategy applied to the protection and management of archaeological heritage and the integration of protection activities with territorial planning and economic progress.

TRANSCP-EARLYWARNING

ESTABLISHMENT OF TRANSNATIONAL CIVIL PROTECTION EARLY WARNING SYSTEM TO IMPROVE THE RESILIENCE OF ADRION TERRITORIES TO NATURAL AND MAN-MADE RISKS PROJECT SITE transcpearlywarning.adrioninterreg.eu

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COASTAL AND MARINE ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT

TRANSCPEARLYWARNING aims to improve the level of harmonisation of existing Civil Protection Early Warning in order to increase the level of prediction, alert and response to the risks and improving the exchange of information and coordination with the EU Civil Protection Mechanism.

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WONDER

PROJECT SITE

wonder.adrioninterreg.eu

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CHILD FRIENDLY DESTINATIONS

WONDER supports new touristic offers addressed to children and families through the creation of a transnational network of child-friendly destinations, aimed at improving the liveability of cities, the sustainability of tourism sector based on new and innovative participatory methods.

WOOL

PROJECT SITE

wool.adrioninterreg.eu

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WOOL AS OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITY FOR LEVERAGE WOOL focuses on how to conserve wool as an important natural resource and to protect cultural heritage of traditional hand-made wool products by enhancing the regional cooperation and knowledge transfer and by promoting the common ADRION regional brand. The project will also set up a regional strategy for the use of wool-based resources, for the development of wool-based tourism products, and the promotion of regional WOOL brand.



PROJECT INFO

ADRIPASS

PROJECT SITE

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INTEGRATING MULTIMODAL CONNECTIONS IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION

ADRIPASS analyse physical and non-physical bottlenecks on the Trans European Transport Networks (TEN-T) corridor sections of the ADRION region, with a specific focus on those recently extended to the Western Balcans, where most Border Crossing Points (BCPs) are located and by testing specific ICT solutions for streamlining freight transport in ADRION ports, setting standards which may be replicated to Electronic Data Interchange interfaces at BCPs.

ENERMOB

PROJECT SITE

enermob.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



INTERREGIONAL ELECTROMOBILITY NETWORKS FOR INTERURBAN LOW CARBON MOBILITY

The ENERMOB project aims to study and support common solutions for electric transport systems at interurban and interregional level, by implementing pilot networks of charging infrastructures and by assessing sustainable technologies to manage energy demand of electric mobility.

EUREKA

ADRIATIC-IONIAN
JOINT APPROACH FOR
DEVELOPMENT AND
HARMONISATION OF
PROCEDURES AND
REGULATIONS IN THE FIELD
OF NAVIGATION SAFETY

T SITE eureka.adrioninterreg.eu

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EUREKA aims to increase the level of maritime safety in the Adriatic-Ionian region by introducing systematic cooperation and coordination of maritime administrations of all countries of the region. The specific objectives of the project, are to develop systematic coordination, harmonise the legal basis for cooperation, increase the level of data exchange, harmonize and standardize the Vessel traffic services (VTS), as well as develop a common educational system for VTS operators.

PROJECT INFO

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INTER-CONNECT

INTERMODALITY PROMOTION AND RAIL RENAISSANCE IN ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



INTERLIDRANLOW CARBON INTERMO-DAL MOBILITY FOR PASSENGERS

Inter-Connect project seeks new solutions tailored to ADRION's specificities for the promotion of intermodal transport and guides the respective actors on how to turn connectivity plans into reality. Hubs clustering, identification of current and future trip generating poles, user surveys for mobility needs. mapping of drivers, cooperation schemes establishment, soft mobility measures & funding opportunities examination, roadmap formulation constitute Inter-Connect approach.

INTER-PASS

INTERMODAL PASSENGERS CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN PORTS AND AIRPORTS

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



INTERURBAN LOW CARBON INTERMO-DAL MOBILITY FOR

The overall objective of INTER-PASS project is to enhance the intermodal connections between ports and airports in the Adriatic-Ionian Region in order to improve the processing of passengers, mainly cruise tourists and travelers reaching tourists destinations located on Adriatic and Ionian costs during the peak season.

ISTEN

INTEGRATED AND SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT IN FEFICIENT NETWORK

isten.adrioninterreg.eu PROJECT SITE

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



MULTIMODAL SUSTAINABLE WATER AND LAND

ISTEN aims at qualifying ADRION Ports as strategic nodes and hubs for the ADRION Region by setting up strategies, a transnational cooperation network and a joint action plan to improve hinterland intermodal connections, pushing in particular rail freight flows and last mile connection to the TEN-T Corridors.

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MULTIAPPRO

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WATER AND LAND

MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH AND SOLUTIONS TO DEVELOPMENT OF INTERMODAL TRANSPORT IN REGION

The overall objective of the project is development of intermodal transport in Adriatic-Ionian region. The first approach is focused on systematic collection and providing solutions to all bottlenecks, both on national or regional level. The next approach innovatively and systematically performs promotion of the intermodal transport in the region and also creates a network of promotional centers.

NEWBRAIN

PROJECT SITE

newbrain.adrioninterreg.eu

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TEMATIC CLUSTER



NODES ENHANCING WATERWAY BRIDGING ADRIATIC-IONIAN **NETWORK**

NEWBRAIN project aims at boosting the relevance of the Adriatic-Ionian core nodes system for the economic and social integration of the programme area, in the framework of the European transport policy and TEN-T network as key gates connecting Central and Western Europe with the South-East Europe and Mediterranean countries.

SMILE

FIRST AND LAST

MOBILITY IN

REGION

MILE INTER-MODAL

CONGESTED URBAN

AREAS OF ADRION

smile.adrioninterreg.eu PROJECT SITE

TEMATIC CLUSTER



SMILE is focused on first and last mile of mobility in some variegated and paradigmatic urban areas of ADRION Region, embracing coastal, inland and bordering cities of different size (capital, middle, little). Urban areas are place where every day residents, commuters and tourists face consequences of unsustainable mobility models and lack of effective multimodal solutions: SMILE will address these issues

PROJECT INFO

SUPAIR

SUSTAINABLE PORTS IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION

PROJECT SITE supair.adrioninterreg.eu

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SUSTAINABLE WATER AND LAND

Ports are core nodes for multimodal transport in the Adriatic-Ionian basin and strategic key drivers for economic growth. SUPAIR tackles reduction of emissions from shipping and on-shore port operations with an integrated approach, enhancing port authorities' capacity to plan and implement low-carbon and multimodal transport and mobility solutions and further empowering the main political technical. trade stakeholders and partners in related decision-making.

SUPER-LNG

SUSTAINABILITY PERFORMANCE OF LNG-BASED MARITIME MOBILITY

supering.adrioninterreg.eu

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MULTIMODAL SUSTAINABLE WATER AND LAND

The overall objective of the project is to increase the level of safety, environmental quality and sustainability of LNG maritime transportation in the Adriatic seas. It aims at providing a uniform framework to support the implementation of technical systems for the distribution and supply of LNG in port areas, meeting the requirements of the Seveso Directive (Directive 2012/18/EU).

TRIBUTE

INTEGRATED AND INNOVATIVE ACTIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE URBAN MOBILITY UPGRADE

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The project led by the Polytechnic University of Milan (Italy), whose main objective is the improvement of city transport facing the challenges posed by the undergoing socioeconomic and demographic change. Taking advantage from the electro-mobility and share-mobility revolution, the project aims to test integrated innovative pilot actions and tools for sustainable mobility solutions in the cities involved in the partnership.



PROJECT INFO

EUSAIR FACILITY POINT

eusairfacilitypoint.adrioninterreg.eu

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FACILITY POINT -SUPPORTING THE GOVERNANCE OF THE EUSAIR

The project provides operational and administrative support to European Strategy for the Adriatic-Ionian Region (EUSAIR) governance structures and stakeholders in implementation of the EUSAIR and its Action Plan. The overall objective is to facilitate the coordination and implementation of EUSAIR by enhancing the institutional capacity of public administrations and key stakeholders and by assisting the progress of implementation of joint priorities.

In terms of European territorial cooperation, the EUSAIR Facility Point is as a partnership of project partners from all of the eight EUSAIR participating countries. The lead partner role is entrusted to the Government Office of the Republic of Slovenian for Development and European Cohesion Policy which coordinates the ministries, one regional and one local authority from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Greece, Croatia, Italy, Serbia and Slovenia. Together they form a partnership of strategic project wich provides support to EUSAIR Governing Board (GB) and to the 4 Thematic Steering Groups (TSGs). More information on the EUSAIR strategy at www.adriatic-ionian.eu.

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