

# MEETING OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE INTERMEDITERRANEAN COMMISSION

**Monday 4 February 2019 (16.45-19.30) - Barcelona (Catalunya-ES)**

*Meeting for members, alternates of the IMC Political Bureau and invited stakeholders only*



**Venue:** Union for the Mediterranean - Palacio de Pedralbes (Room "Biblioteca")  
Avenida Diagonal, 686 - 08034 Barcelona

## PROGRAMME



*Working languages: English, French, Greek, Italian & Spanish*

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**16.45-17.00: Welcome speeches, approval of the minutes of the last Plenary and objectives of the meeting**

-  **Apostolos Katsifaras**, President of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission and Regional Governor of Dytiki Ellada
-  **Alfred Bosch**, Minister of Foreign Action, Institutional Relations and Transparency of the Catalan Government

**17.00-17.30: Political documents to be approved and endorsed by the Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau - Session chaired by the President of the Intermediterranean Commission**

-  **PANACeA declaration** on Ecosystem based approaches for biodiversity protection and management (discussion and endorsement during the session)
-  **Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance and political declaration:** discussion on the way forward (\*prior written email approval by PB members with art. 7 procedure)

**17.30-18.15: Update of the Intermediterranean Commission Global Action Plan for 2019-2020- Session chaired by the President of the Intermediterranean Commission**

- **Introduction on the draft document by Davide Strangis**, Executive Secretary of the Intermediterranean Commission
- **Interventions by:**
  - **George Alexakis**, CPMR Vice-President for Maritime affairs - Regional Councillor of Crete
  - **Vice-Presidents of the Intermediterranean Commission:** Emilia-Romagna, Andalucía, Region Sud, L'Oriental
- Debate with all the members

**18.15-18.50: Last activities, results and specific update of the 4 Intermediterranean Commission Working Groups' Action Plans for 2019-2020 - Session introduced and moderated by the Executive Secretary of the Intermediterranean Commission**

- Territorial Cooperation and Macro-Regional Strategies by **Catalonia** and **Region Sud**
- Economic & Social Cohesion by **Occitania** and **Lazio**
- Transport & Integrated Maritime Policy by **Murcia** and **Region Sud**
- Water & Energy by **Generalitat Valenciana** and **Rabat-Salé-Kénitra**

**18.50-19.25: Internal issues of the Intermediterranean Commission- Session introduced and moderated by the Executive Secretary of the Intermediterranean Commission**

- ✚ Activity report of the Intermediterranean Commission (October 2018/February 2019)
- ✚ Update on Running and new projects
- ✚ Financial documents and new memberships: **Thessalia**
- ✚ Most relevant future events in the calendar by the Secretariat and the organizers:
  - Next General Assembly 2019 in Marseille - **Region Sud**, on 20/21 June 2019, back to back with the "Summit of the 2 shores"
    - Intervention by **Daniel Schlosser**, French Ministry for EU and Foreign Affairs on the Summit and potential synergies
  - ARLEM Plenary and side events in Sevilla - **Junta de Andalucía**, on 26/27 February 2019
  - Events of Working Groups, projects, and external partners
- ✚ Updates on the CPMR Strategic plan process
- ✚ Any other business

**19.25-19.30: Conclusions by the Presidency of the Intermediterranean Commission**

- ✚ **Apostolos Katsifaras**, President of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission and Regional Governor of Dytiki Ellada

**21.00: Dinner (venue tbc)**

## Tentative list of documents for the meeting:

1. Draft Global Action Plan for the Intermediterranean Commission (Confidential)
2. PANACeA Declaration (Confidential)
3. MedCooperationAlliance Declaration (Confidential)
4. Minutes of the Intermediterranean Commission Plenary meeting held in Madeira: EN-ES-FR-IT (Confidential)
5. Activity report of the Intermediterranean Commission (October 2018/February 2019)
6. Financial documents of the Intermediterranean Commission (Confidential)
7. Information on the projects and memberships (Confidential)
8. CPMR Final Declaration Madeira 2018: [EL-EN-ES-FR-IT](#)
9. Intermediterranean Commission Final Declaration Patras 2018 and Political position on the future of the territorial cooperation in the Mediterranean
10. Calendar 2018-2020 of the Intermediterranean Commission: [EN-FR](#)
11. Information on the Working groups and Task Forces (Confidential Dropbox)