



INTERMEDITERRANEAN COMMISSION

Activity report (February 2020) and upcoming actions

INTRODUCTION AND AIM OF THE REPORT

This report aims at providing an executive (but detailed) overview of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission activities of the current mandate (for the mandate 2016-2018 please refer to this other [report](#)).

The activities are presented under 3 main categories: “Internal organization and institutional meetings”, fine-tuned to each of the “Working Groups” and “Communication, membership and partnerships.” Each group is subdivided into two sub-categories, namely the Key political and technical activities and the upcoming ones.

More precise information about several of the activities mentioned in this document can be found in the news on our [website, as on our Twitter](#), in the Intermediterranean Commission extensive report on projects, as on the working documents and plans of each Intermediterranean Commission Working Group and internal Task Forces. This report is updated before each statutory meeting of the organization and will constitute the base for the final narrative report of the mandate 2018-2020.

The Presidency and the Secretariat of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission wish to thank all the members and its external partner organizations and institutions for their constant efforts towards the improvement of cooperation and synergies towards sustainable development and multilevel governance in the Mediterranean.

For any additional information, please ask the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission Secretariat.

CPMR Intermediterranean Commission



CPMR INTERMEDITERRANEAN COMMISSION

Internal organization and institutional/Statutory meetings

1. Past meetings over the mandate
2. Upcoming activities

Transport & Integrated Maritime Policy

1. Key political and technical activities (Events, projects, etc.)
2. Upcoming activities

Territorial Cooperation & Macroregional Strategies (including activities on Migration)

1. Key political and technical activities (Events, projects, etc.)
2. Upcoming activities

Economic & Social Cohesion

1. Key political and technical activities (Events, projects, etc.)
2. Upcoming activities

Water & Energy

1. Key political and technical activities (Events, projects, etc.)
2. Upcoming activities

Communication, membership and partnerships

1. Achievements
2. Upcoming activities

This section provides a global summarized **overview of the activities** of the **CPMR Intermediterranean Commission** during the current mandate.

The activities are presented under 3 main categories:

- **Internal organization and institutional meetings** (with past and upcoming milestones)
- **Each working group's key political and technical activities** (including projects and events) and **upcoming initiatives**
- **Communication, membership and partnerships**, with the previous achievements and the forthcoming activities as well.

Sectoral policies are addressed by the four-permanent thematic Working Groups of the organization: **Transports & Integrated Maritime Policy**, **Territorial Cooperation & Macroregional Strategies (including activities on Migration)**, **Economic and Social Cohesion**, **Energy & Water**. Colors for subcategories within the working groups have been assigned in order to facilitate the identification of the working group in question.

INTERNAL ORGANIZATION & INSTITUTIONAL/STATUTORY MEETINGS

Past meetings over the mandate

- **CPMR vision group Meeting**
 - Coordination of all CPMR staff including IMC for better interlinked efforts and collective action
- **CPMR General Assembly and Intermediterranean Commission Plenary Meeting (18-19 October 2018, Funchal)**
 - Approval of the [summary of the General Assembly in Patras](#)
 - Presentation and debate of the [CPMR 2018 Final Declaration](#)
 - Election of the French Vice-Presidency in the IMC PB and designation of the 1st Vice-President and Alternate Member of the IMC- CPMR PB
 - [Opportunities and work perspectives related to Big Data](#) and sustainable territorial development
 - Update on activities, Med cooperation and internal matters
 - Participation of IMC members in the CPMR GA political session and technical meetings (e.g. CPMR Strategic Plan, Task Force on Migration...)
- **Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau Technical coordination meeting (18 December 2018, Bologna)**
 - Preparation of the PB in Barcelona and preliminary discussions on the Action Plan and the Med Cooperation Alliance
- **CPMR vision group Meeting (21-22 January 2019, Brussels)**
 - Coordination of all CPMR staff including IMC for better interlinked efforts and collective action
- **Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau (4 February 2019, Barcelona)**
 - Endorsement of the [PANACeA Declaration](#)
 - Written approval and follow up of the Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance and [political declaration](#)
 - Update of the IMC Global Action for 2019-2020

- Latest activities, results and WG Action Plans for the 2019-2020 period
- Update on activities, Med cooperation and internal matters
- **CPMR Political Bureau (7 March 2019, Brest)**
- **CPMR Political Bureau (13 June 2019, Donegal)**
 - Revision of the CPMR works to amend the regulations proposals from EU institutions regarding the future MFF
 - Reflections on the CPMR Manifesto in view of the CPMR AGM of October 2019
- **Intermediterranean Commission General Assembly (20-21 June 2019, Marseilles)**
 - Approval of the [summary of the Political Bureau in Barcelona](#)
 - Presentation of the updated WG actions plans and approval of the General action plan
 - Presentation, debate and approval of the [IMC 2019 Final Declaration](#)
 - Presentation and approval of the [Summit of the Two Shores Declaration](#)
 - Presentation of the first draft of the Social and Solidarity Economy Declaration
 - Update on the next CPMR General Assembly and the Political Manifesto
 - Update on activities, Med cooperation and internal matters
 - Participation of IMC members in the IMC-CPMR International Seminar “[Strengthening cooperation efforts for a more cohesive, inclusive and sustainable Mediterranean.](#)”
- **CPMR General Assembly and Intermediterranean Commission Plenary Meeting (16-18 October 2019, Palermo)**
 - Approval of the [summary of the General Assembly in Marseilles](#)
 - Presentation and debate of the CPMR 2019 Manifesto
 - Presentation of the consolidated draft and approval of the [Social and Solidarity Economy Declaration](#)
 - Signature by COPPEM of the MedCoopAlliance
 - Designation of the IMC Acting Presidency and designation of the 1st Vice-Presidency and Alternate Member of the IMC-CPMR PB
 - Update on activities, Med cooperation and internal matters
 - Participation of IMC members in the CPMR GA Seminar on Circular Economy, political sessions and technical meetings (e.g. CPMR Manifesto, Task Forces...)
- **CPMR vision group Meeting (17-18 December 2019, Brussels)**

Upcoming meetings

- **Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau (5 February 2020, Montpellier) (pending)**
 - Synergies with BlueGrowthCommunity’s project kick-off
 - Approval of the summary of the Plenary meeting in Palermo (to be approved in Montpellier)
 - Endorsement of the [Blue Growth Community White paper](#)
 - Endorsement of the [MITOMED+ Policy paper](#)
 - Debate over the themes of relevance for the Final declaration
 - Update on the next Inter-commission Task Force on Mediterranean Islands

- Update on the next CPMR works on Climate and synergies with the Intermediterranean Commission
- Update on activities, Med cooperation and internal
- **CPMR Political Bureau** (19 March 2020, Cornwall) – preceded by the **CPMR seminar on Aviation** (18/03/2020)
- **General Assembly of the IMC** (19-20 May 2020, Sevilla) – **Celebration of the 30th anniversary of the IMC**
- **CPMR Political Bureau** (11 June 2020, Zaandam, Noord-Holland)
- **CPMR General Assembly and Intermediterranean Commission Plenary Meeting** (28-30 October 2019, Crete)

TRANSPORTS & INTEGRATED MARITIME POLICY

1. Key political and technical activities (events, projects...)

Documents available [HERE](#)

- **General Policies and CPMR synergies:** Monitoring with CPMR General Secretariat of the implementation of the MSP and MSFD Directives and the issues at MED level (e.g. through joint implementation of the project on MSP presented by the SHOM with CPMR on West Med: SIMWESTMED, works connected with Bologna Charter etc.). Participation in the Final Conference of SIMWESTMED back to back with the SUPREME Final Conference, December 2018 in Venezia.
- Contribution to the CPMR work in relation with the CEF2 post 2020 etc.
- Monitoring of TEN-T and RTAP
- WG activities in connection with the CPMR Maritime Agenda (MSP, Coastal Defence, Marine Data, Marine industries, marine litter, marine energy ...) (2018-2019).
- **Programmes, projects, members' events and external stakeholders:** Monitoring of future calls for projects (e.g. MED 3rd call for proposal) / programmes on maritime issues, selection of the most relevant projects and participation in preparatory meetings, follow-up on proposals in light of the 31st January deadline (October 2018- February 2019)
- Conclusion of the 1st biannual EASME agreement with UfMS and dialogue for a new one during 2019-2020 in view of next ministerial on Blue Economy
- Joint work with IMC regions and external stakeholder for the presentation of project proposals to the 3^d call of Interreg MED (12 projects supported) and Blue Careers (2 projects)
- Synergies with CPMR works on transports (CEF review, amendments for the new regulation, participation in CPMR intergroups meetings etc.)
- Implementation of the 2 horizontal projects InnoBlueGrowth on Innovation & Blue Growth and PANACEA on Environment protection and events e.g. InnoBlueGrowth capitalization events (Marseille, end of April 2019)
- Support to promote the Méditerranée du Futur3 event (November 2019)
- **Interreg Med:** Implementation of the horizontal project InnoBlueGrowth on Innovation & Blue Growth, and its events: InnoBlueGrowth Steering Committee and Mid-Term Conference in Barcelona – November 2018; InnoBlueGrowth Steering Committee and Capitalization event in Marseille – April 2019, Summer School in Kotor – July 2019, Final event in Brussels – September 2019.
- Preparation of the new project for the Blue Growth Community
- Implementation of the horizontal project PANACeA on Environment protection, and its events: Seminar at the EP in Brussels – December 2018, Capitalization seminar in Rome – May 2019, Final event in Malaga – September 2019.
- Follow-up on the implementation of the PANACeA declaration, submitted for approval at the IMC PB (December-February 2019)
- Implementation of the maritime projects on sustainable tourism CO-EVOLVE, HERIT-DATA, MITOMED+ and participation in several activities and events/project meetings; e.g. HERIT-DATA Steering Committee (26 March, Dubrovnik), CO-EVOLVE and MITOMED+ final conferences both held in October 2019.
- Participation in the Mid-Term event of the INTERREG MED horizontal project on sustainable mobility GO SUMP, in Barcelona (November 2018)

- Interreg MED Programme Capitalization Event and preparation Meeting (Greece, March-October 2019)
- Implementation of the maritime projects addressing tourism, CO-EVOLVE, MITOMED+ and HERIT-DATA and participation (see calendar) in several activities and events/project meetings (e.g. MITOMED + international workshop at the European Parliament, Brussels in November 2018) and support to the preparation of the future ones in Brussels, Dubrovnik and Montpellier
- Synergies with BLUEMED Week (End October 2018, Barcelona) MEDAWEEK (End November 2018, Barcelona), the International Sustainable Blue Economy Conference (end November, Nairobi) and the GFCM Fish Forum (mid-December 2018) Monitoring of PANORAMED, PHAROS4MPAs and MISTRAL where the IMC is associated partner and participation in meetings (e.g. PHAROS4MPAs Steering Committee in Chios, October 2018) (October 2018-ongoing)
- **MC4BG & Co-Evolve4BG:** Follow up of Med Coast for Blue Growth and Co-Evolve4BG, organization of a joint meeting with CO-EVOLVE (Interreg MED) held in Barcelona on 29-31 October and support for the launch of a UfM Technical Assistance linked to MC4BG (October 2018), then Montpellier (April 2019), with a follow-up in Barcelona in June 2019
- Presentation of MC4BG, Co-Evolve and Co-Evolve4BG in the UfM Task Force on the Environment, Brussels (April 2019)
- Presentation of MC4BG, Co-Evolve and Co-Evolve4BG in the INTERACT Med Lab Group on Sustainable Tourism in Palermo (May 2019)
- **Bologna Charter:** Update of the Bologna Charter's JAP (ongoing)
- **WestMed:** Monitoring of Western Med initiative and participation in the West Med Steering Stakeholder Conference in Algiers (December 2018). Coordination and active participation in labs about sustainable tourism, biodiversity and blue skills.
- WestMed Steering Committee (Paris, February), Stakeholders' Conference (Palermo, May 2019)
- **UfM:** Several synergies with UfM for the implementation of the UfM declaration on Blue Economy (e.g. VKC, newsletter, circulation of information, Bluemed monitoring etc.) (ongoing)
- UfM Working Group meeting on Blue Economy (25 March 2019 in Brussels)
- Participation and contribution to the CPMR works on maritime investments in synergy with the follow up of Blue.Invest and DG MARE works and IMC TF on Blue Economy Agenda (2018-2019). Specific dissemination support to Blue Invest in the Mediterranean 2019 (Malta 24 January 2019)
- **Internal management:** Discussions on the update of the WG Action Plan and TFs (February 2019-February 2020)

2. Upcoming activities

- Contribution to the CPMR work in relation with the CEF2 post 2020 etc.
- Monitoring of TEN-T and RTAP
- Several synergies with UfM for the implementation of the UfM declaration on Blue Economy (e.g. BlueMed and UfM Working Group Meetings on Blue Economy in Brussels, and UfM Stakeholders Conference on BE to be held next March 10-11, 2020 in Barcelona)
- Follow-up of the BlueMed initiative for a plastic-free Mediterranean (meeting in Venice – January 2020)
- Implementation of the maritime projects on sustainable tourism DestiMED+, HERIT-DATA, WINTERMED and participation in several activities and events/project meetings; DestiMED+ kick-off in Málaga – February 2020,

- Implementation of the strategic projects on sustainable tourism BESTMED and SMARTMED, and participation in several activities and events/project meetings for kick-offs in February 2020 (Croatia & Malta),
- Implementation of the 2 horizontal projects Blue Growth Community on Innovation & Blue Growth and Biodiversity Protection Community on Environmental protection and events e.g. BlueGrowthCommunity's 1st Annual Assembly in the framework of the IMC PB in Montpellier – February 4-5, 2020.
- Follow-up of the PANORAMED governance project in Madrid – February 19-20, 2020
- WG activities in connection with the CPMR Maritime Agenda (MSP, Coastal Defence, Marine Data, Marine industries, marine litter, marine energy ...) (2018-2020)
- WG activities in connection with the CPMR Climate Agenda (EU Green Deal, Just Transition Mechanism, Climate Law...)
- Contribution to the ARLEM (CoR) report on the blue economy and participation to its plenary in Barcelona – January 2020. Lobbying for the co-presidency of the WG to assume the drafting of the report on Climate (agreed by CoR).
- IUCN Forum in Marseille - 11-15 June 2020
- Discussions on the update of the WG Action Plan and TFs, as well as on graphics (February 2019-May 2020)
- Contribution to the inter-commissions Task Force on Med Islands

TERRITORIAL COOPERATION & MACROREGIONAL STRATEGIES (incl. migration)

1. Key political and technical activities (events, projects...) (including activities on Migration)

- **General Policies and CPMR synergies:** Wide dissemination of IMC position and contribution to CPMR proposal for amendments on the future of Territorial Cooperation, *ad hoc* meetings with authorities etc. (October 2018-ongoing)
- Monitoring of Migration policy issues in connection with the CPMR Migration TF (October 2018-ongoing)
- Contribution to the TF Migration works (issue paper on external dimension, REGIN project etc.) and participation in virtual TF meetings (17 January 2019)
- **WestMed:** West MED maritime initiative and EUSAIR monitoring in connection with CPMR Task Forces, including participation in meetings with the EC (October 2018-ongoing)
- Organization of a Seminar on emerging strategies and Blue Growth held in Barcelona on 4 February 2019 back to back with the IMC PB in cooperation with the UfM and other relevant networks (October 2018-February 2019)
- WestMed Steering Committee (Paris, February) and stakeholder conference (May 2019)
- Active participation in the WestMed Stakeholders Conference & 5th Steering Committee in Algiers, December 2018, in Palermo May 2019.
- **Programmes, projects, members' events and external stakeholders:** Monitoring of cooperation programmes in the Mediterranean (Interreg MED, ENI CBC Med, ADRION, and others), conception of projects ideas (October 2018-ongoing)
- Specific monitoring of ENPI CBC Med (1st call and futures), ADRION (2nd call), IPA/CBC/MED Programmes and future calls & project presented to the first calls and conception of new projects (October 2018-ongoing)
- Monitoring of the EU Neighbourhood policy south and the ENI (October 2018-ongoing)
- Preparation and synergies with the Mediterranean Catalonia Forum 2019 on the future of the Mediterranean Region, specifically discussing the future of Cohesion, Neighbourhood and Development policies and the perspectives for ETC post-2020, back to back with the IMC PB in February, in Barcelona.
- Co-organization with Emilia-Romagna of an event on the added value of Big Data for Territorial Policies in the Mediterranean Region on 18 December 2019, in Bologna.
- Monitoring of AI-NURECC and future reflections for synergies and replication (October 2018-ongoing)
- Participation in an event on SDGs and the role of the regions in Barcelona (18 January 2019)
- Masterclass on territorial diplomacy and cooperation, organized in Barcelona (31 January 2019)
- Summit of the two shores (Marseille, June 2019)
- Synergies with UNEP MAP and MSSD (October 2018-ongoing)
- **Interreg Med:** Contribution to the works on governance of the project PANORAMED axis 4 of MED INTERREG and ADRION transnational programmes (IMC-CPMR is participating as associate/observer) e.g. Meetings with PANAROMED and associated partners December – January 2019, in Roma and Brussels)
- **ARLEM:** meeting with association, preparation of the plenary, future reports, participation in the Commission meeting in Brussels (July 2018-October 2018) and coordination meeting with networks, co-organization of side events in view of the Plenary (February 2019)

- 10th Plenary Session of ARLEM and side-meetings, adoption of the draft reports on youth entrepreneurship in the Mediterranean region and on governance and transparency in the Med. Region, together with recommendation for 2019 and upcoming activities (Sevilla, 26/27 February).
- 11th Plenary Session of ARLEM and side-meetings, adoption of the draft reports on Blue economy in the Mediterranean region and on Regional Integration in the Med Region, together with recommendation for 2020 and upcoming activities (Barcelona, January 22-23, 2020)
- **MedCoopAlliance:** Participation in the General Assembly of MedCities in Barcelona (October 2018) and further synergies in the frame of the existing MoU
- Relations with other Med networks: Arco Latino, Unimed, EURORÉGION Pyrénées-Méditerranée and Adriatic-Ionian, including coordination meetings (October 2018-ongoing)
- Set-up of a Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance with the main Mediterranean networks of regional and local authorities
- **Internal management:** Discussions for the update of the WG Action Plan for 2019-20 (October-June 2019)

2. Upcoming activities

- Wide dissemination of IMC position and contribution to CPMR proposal for amendments on the future of Territorial Cooperation, *ad hoc* meetings with authorities etc. (October 2018-ongoing)
- Monitoring of the EU Neighbourhood policy south and the ENI, possible synergies with EEAS and its delegations in the Med (follow up of previous meetings), and continuation of the drawing up of an enlargement strategy for the IMC in the MED including information on the decentralisation of possible partner countries
- Set-up of high-level meetings of the Intermediterranean Commission political representatives in the frame of the follow up of the IMC “Road Map for Macro-Regional and Sea Basin Strategies” (e.g. meetings within SEARICA intergroup and back to back meeting with MED States REPER, “tour of capitals” of a delegation of Intermediterranean Commission representative to have specific talks with EU MED States Ministries).
- Follow-up of the synergies with ARLEM, UfM, ARCO LATINO, COM MED UCLG, PLATFORMA, CMI, EURORÉGION Pyrénées-Méditerranée, MedCities, MED PAN etc.
- Contribution to the ARLEM (CoR) report on the Regional integration in the Med, and participation to its plenary in Barcelona – January 2020.
- Specific monitoring of ENPI CBC Med (1st, 2nd and strategic calls), ADRION, IPA/CBC/MED Programmes and future calls & possible implementation of selected project presented to the first calls and conception of new projects.
- Continuing contribution to the works on governance of the project PANORAMED axis 4 of MED INTERREG and ADRION transnational programmes (IMC-CPMR is participating as associate/observer), participation to the PANORAMED Steering Committee (September 2019, Heraklion) and European Week of Regions and Cities (October 2019, Brussels), Meeting in Madrid February 19-20, 2020.
- AI-NURECC monitoring for synergies and potential replication/adaptation in the West MED area.
- Contribution to the TF Migration works
- Participation to the Master-class “2 shores of the Mediterranean” in Marseilles – January 2020
- Implementation of a Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance with major Mediterranean networks of local and regional authorities, contribution during the European Week of Regions and Cities (October 2019, Brussels), and addition of a signatory organization through COPPEM (October 2019, Palermo), Lobbying to institutions and organizations (January-February 2020, on-going)

- Lobbying on the future of Territorial Cooperation in the Mediterranean (Synergies with CPMR positions, follow up of IMC's policy papers etc.)
- Replication/Capitalization of the training on Integrated territorial development
- Follow-up West-Med initiative steering committee in Brussels – February 2020

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COHESION

1. Key political and technical activities (events, projects...)

- **General Policies and CPMR synergies:** Preparation of an IMC report & contribution to ARLEM report on youth entrepreneurship (October 2018- February 2019)
- Meeting of the IMC WG on Economic and Social cohesion in Montpellier (April 2019) and Rome (November 2019)
- Ratification of the Social and Solidarity Economy Declaration by the IMC Members during the IMC Plenary in Palermo (framework of the CPMR GA) – October 2019
- General monitoring and support of the activities connected to the Task force on Sustainable Tourism and Culture in synergy with the WG PMI&TRAN and CPMR maritime intergroup (October 2018-February 2020)
- Preparation and synergies with the MedCat Week 2019 on the future of the Mediterranean Region, specifically discussing the future of Cohesion, Neighbourhood and Development policies and the perspectives for ETC post-2020, back to back with the IMC PB in February 2019, in Barcelona.
- Synergies with CPMR reflections and works on the future of Cohesion Policy (October 2018-ongoing)
- **Programmes, projects, members' events and external stakeholders:** Follow-up of the Méditerranée du Futur 3 and Mediterranean Youth Parliament in Marseille (November 2019)
- Support to the setting up of a new project concerning blue careers for the 2nd Blue Careers call (BlueStream)
- Support to the conception of 9 new projects on sustainable tourism for the 3rd Interreg MED call for proposal
- **Interreg Med:** Implementation and closing of CO-EVOLVE, MITOMED+ and HERIT-DATA projects on sustainable tourism, synergies with the HP BleuTourMed and Coasting projects, including participation and organization of events (October 2018-February 2019) (e.g. MITOMED + international workshop at the European Parliament, Brussels in November 2018) and support to the preparation of the future ones in Brussels, Dubrovnik and Montpellier.
- Follow-up of the DestiMED and COASTING projects e.g. DestiMED capitalization event on 5 December 2019 in Málaga and synergies for a Destimed+ new project
- Follow-up and monitoring of the Interreg MED Sustainable Tourism Community BleuTourMed, e.g. participation in the 2nd capitalization workshop (27-28th March, 2019, Dubrovnik) and the 3rd one (June 2019, Barcelona)
- Monitoring of MD.net project (2018-2019) and participation to the European Week of Regions and Cities with MD.Net (October 2019, Brussels)
- **MC4BG and Co-EVOLVE4BG:** Follow up of Med Coast for Blue Growth and Co-Evolve4BG, organization of a joint meeting with CO-EVOLVE held in Barcelona on 29-31 October 2018, setting up of the next in Montpellier in April 2019, with a follow-up in Barcelona in June 2019
- Presentation of MC4BG, Co-Evolve and Co-Evolve4BG in the UfM Task Force on the Environment, Brussels (April 2019)
- Follow-up and Co-organization and participation in the Vasco da Gama Summer School 2019 with the University of Bari, with a spin-off in the framework of InnoBlueGrowth in Kotor – July 2019
- **Internal management:** Reflections for the update of the WG Action Plan and TFs (October-February 2020) with a focus on Social and Solidarity Economy and youth policies

2. Upcoming activities

- Follow-up of the Mediterranean Games organization with Apulia Region (to be further developed through actions and a final event in the coming years)
- Future actions and projects of the Working Group on Youth mobility/inclusion, Social Solidarity Economy, Med Identity and Med Citizenship according to the new action plan of the Group, meeting of the Working group (November 15, 2019, Rome – on-going)
- Follow-up and capitalization of several activities and events of CO-EVOLVE, HERIT-DATA, MITOMED+; e.g. HERIT-DATA Steering Committee (26 March, Dubrovnik), CO-EVOLVE final conference held in October 2019, including the participation to European Week of Regions and Cities (October 2019, Brussels)
- Building up of a Management model for Maritime and Coastal Tourism in the Mediterranean (MITOMED+), dissemination and mainstreaming – 2020, on-going
- Implementation of the maritime projects on sustainable tourism DestiMED+, HERIT-DATA, WINTERMED and participation in several activities and events/project meetings; DestiMED+ kick-off in Málaga – February 2020,
- Implementation of the strategic projects on sustainable tourism BESTMED and SMARTMED, and participation in several activities and events/project meetings for kick-offs in February 2020 (Croatia & Malta),
- Follow up of Med Coast for Blue Growth and Co-Evolve4BG, organization of a joint meeting with CO-EVOLVE (Interreg MED) held in Montpellier (April 2019) with a follow-up in Barcelona in June 2019 and over 2020
- Synergies with the INTERACT Med Lab Group on Sustainable Tourism and participation to conference in Palermo (May 2019 – on-going)
- Participation to the Master-class “2 shores of the Mediterranean” in Marseilles – January 2020
- Follow-up and monitoring of the Interreg MED Sustainable Tourism Community (2020, on-going)
- Synergies with the InnoBlueGrowth Summer School in Kotor, Montenegro, July 2019
- Creation of the IMC Youth Council on maritime issues and implementation over 2020, following the Santa Severa event of December 2019
- Dissemination of the Social and Solidarity Economy Declaration and mobilization of IMC members (over 2020)

WATER & ENERGY

3. Key political and technical activities (events, projects...)

- **General Policies and CPMR synergies:** Contribution to CPMR Task Force on Climate (6 February 2019 in Brussels) and follow-up of activities over 2020 (Brussels – January 2020)
- IMC Task Force on Energy Renovation in Med Buildings back to back with the Sherpa forthcoming activities (May 2019)
- Follow up of the political position on water and renewable energies through new concrete lobbying actions and works concerning innovation and research (2019)
- Follow up of the Workshop on the administrative aspects of water in the framework of an international conference on water and Technology (2019)
- **Programmes, projects, members' events and external stakeholders:** Follow up of the seminar on water management held in Sevilla in September 2018
- Synergies with ECOMONDO (November 2018, November 2019-ongoing)
- **Interreg Med:** SHERPA activities implementation, including national seminars and events (e.g. in Greece, Valencia) and set up of the structure of the future Joint Action Plan on Energy Renovation in Mediterranean buildings (January- February 2019)
- Implementation and closing of the SHERPA Project and synergies with the Intermediterranean Commission Task Force on Energy Renovation in Buildings towards the drawing up of a Joint Action plan on the topic including both transnational projects and major tractor projects at regional level. Co-organization and participation to the final event in Brussels – January 2020, back-to-back to IMC Energy TF
- Synergies with the InnoBlueGrowth Final conference (September 2019, Brussels) with topics on marine renewable energies and circular economy
- Synergies with CESBA MED and MED NICE Interreg MED Community on Energy Efficiency in Buildings (2019)
- **UfM:** Follow-up and monitoring of the UfM Working Group on Environment and Climate Change, e.g. participation in the G 2nd Meeting, 12-13 November, Barcelona
- **Internal management:** Co-ordination with the Co-Presidencies of the WG in view of the update of the Action plan for 2019-20 (October 2018-February 2019)

4. Upcoming activities

- Synergies with Renewable Energy Community Interreg MED Community (2020, on-going)
- Capitalization and mainstreaming of the SHERPA projects results
- Conception, presentation and implementation of new projects on Water/Energy in the frame of EU cooperation programmes and development of partnerships and cooperation with Universities, private and international entities (2019)
- Presentation of the SolAqua project (H2020) on solar irrigation (December 2019, on-going)
- Presentation of a SolAqua spin-off project (H2020) during Spring 2020
- Synergies with CPMR TF on Climate on EU Green Deal, Climate Law, Just Transition Fund... (2019, on-going)
- Synergies with inter-commissions TF on Mediterranean Islands and issues on circular economy and energy
- Follow-up of the Blue Growth Community with topics on marine renewable energies and circular economy (February 2020, on-going)

- Follow-up and contributions to the ARLEM report on Climate and agriculture (2020, on-going)
- Co-ordination with the Co-Presidencies of the WG in view of the update of the Action plan for 2020-22 (February 2020, on-going)

COMMUNICATION, MEMBERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS

Achievements

- Regular updates of the IMC website
- Support to the CPMR Communication/Newsletter (articles on IMC main activities)
- Boosting of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission Twitter Accounts @IMC_CPMR (today more than 1800 followers), Med Maritime projects @MedMaritimeProj (today more than 800 followers and management and promotion of the EU Project's twitters, Facebook, LinkedIn accounts and web sites: CO-EVOLVE @CoEVOLVEmed, SHERPA @SherpaMED, MITOMED+ @mitomedplus_, HERIT-DATA @heritdata, BlueGrowthCommunity @InnoBlueGrowth, BiodiversityProtectionCommunity @MEDCommunity3_2.
- Frequent use of videoconference or skype for meetings (in particular using the system Gotomeeting, purchased by CPMR but also via the Regions' systems, e.g. Webex, BlueJeans)
- Relation with the wide range of external stakeholders and implementation of MoUs (Med Cities, UfM, Arco Latino, University of Bari etc.)
- Contacts with new potential members and consolidation of the current ones (Morocco, Turkey, Croatia, Tunisia, Slovenia, Algeria...).
- Contribution to CPMR joint Newsletter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter with news regarding IMC.
- Set up and contribution to the development of the web sites of the projects where the IMC is involved
- New TeamUp calendar

Upcoming activities

- Support to the implementation of the new integrated web platform of the CPMR and use of the new visual image
- Update of the IMC visual image and WG Action plans presentations for members, especially co-presidencies
- Contribution to CPMR joint Newsletter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter with news regarding the IMC
- Boosting of the Intermediterranean Commission and Projects Twitter Accounts
- Publication of wrap-up articles on the IMC projects to advertise them better and give easy access to compile key documents of interest for the members
- Set up and contribution to the development of the web sites of projects in which the IMC is involved
- Contacts with new potential members and consolidation the current ones (possible meetings tbc.)
- Relation with the wide range of external stakeholders and possible new MoUs (MedPan, UNIMED, etc.)
- Use of videoconference or skype for meetings (new system GoToMeeting, purchased by CPMR)
- Organisation of informative virtual meetings on IMC CPMR activities for IMC members
- Development of TeamUp calendar and new internal area of CPMR site
- Support in the implementation of the new members' area within the CPMR website

EU COOPERATION RUNNING PROJECTS

in which the IMC is currently involved

This section, with the table below, aims to provide a **general overview** of the current involvement of **the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission** in **European cooperation projects** (that are receiving co-funding, projects under evaluation have not been included).

Project	EU Programme	Role of the IMC-CPMR	Website
BlueGrowth (Horizontal Project)	Interreg MED 2 nd Call 2014-2020	FULL PARTNER	https://blue-growth.interreg-med.eu
BiodiversityProtection (Horizontal Project)	Interreg MED 2 nd Call 2014-2020	FULL PARTNER	https://biodiversity-protection.interreg-med.eu
HERIT-DATA	Interreg MED 2 nd Call 2014-2020	FULL PARTNER	https://herit-data.interreg-med.eu
SustainableTourism (Horizontal Project)	Interreg MED 2 nd Call 2014-2020	ASSOCIATED PARTNER	https://sustainable-tourism.interreg-med.eu
MISTRAL	Interreg MED 2 nd Call 2014-2020	ASSOCIATED PARTNER	https://mistral.interreg-med.eu
DestiMED PLUS	Interreg MED 3 rd Call 2014-2020	FULL PARTNER	Not available yet
WINTERMED	Interreg MED 3 rd Call 2014-2020	FULL PARTNER	Not available yet
PANORAMED	Interreg MED 2014-2020	ASSOCIATED PARTNER	https://governance.interreg-med.eu
BESTMED	Interreg MED 1 st Strategic Call 2014-2020	FULL PARTNER	Not available yet
SMARTMED	Interreg MED 1 st Strategic Call 2014-2020	FULL PARTNER	Not available yet
MedCoast4BG	UfM labelling	LEAD PROMOTER	http://ufmsecretariat.org/project/medcoast4bg-med-coasts-blue-growth
CIVITAS DESTINATIONS	MOBILITY FOR GROWTH 2014-2015	CPMR FULL PARTNER (synergy with the IMC)	http://civitas.eu/destinations
Co-Evolve4BG	ENI CBC MED 1 st Call 2014-2020	ASSOCIATED PARTNER	Not available yet
MED PEARLS	ENI CBC MED 1 st Call 2014-2020	ASSOCIATED PARTNER	Not available yet
MEDUSA	ENI CBC MED 1 st Call 2014-2020	ASSOCIATED PARTNER	Not available yet
REGIN	Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund	LEAD PARTNER	Not available yet

For more information on the **ongoing projects** and to learn more about the **results achieved by past projects**, we invite you to take a look at the [projects section of our Website](#) and at **the Internal report of the IMC Secretariat** : “[Participation of the CPMR-IMC in EU cooperation projects.](#)”

The IMC is also involved in other 10 Proposals linked to sustainable tourism, Integrated Coastal Zone Management, water management, blue careers and energy efficiency in buildings under evaluation under different programmes i.e. 7 proposals under the Interreg MED’s 3rd call for standard projects (including 3 in which it would act as full partner and 4 as associated partner); 2 proposals under the Interreg MED’s Axis 4 call for Strategic Projects on M&C Tourism; one Blue Careers proposal under the EMFF.