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 2020-2022.

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.
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 & Macromed Regional 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**

- **Intermediterranean Commission General Assembly (20-21 June 2019, Marseille)**
  - 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)**

• **Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau (5 February 2020, Montpellier)**
  ➢ Synergies with Blue Growth Community’s project kick-off
  ➢ Approval of the summary of the Plenary meeting in Palermo
  ➢ 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) Cancelled**

• **General Assembly of the IMC (19-20 May 2020, Sevilla) – Celebration of the 30th anniversary of the IMC Postponed to October 26, 2020 – Held online**
  ➢ Presentation of the Study on the Sustainability of maritime and coastal tourism for the recovery of the sector
  ➢ Ratification of the Final Declaration on the Recovery of Tourism in the Mediterranean: towards more sustainability for the sector

• **CPMR Political Bureau (11 June 2020, Zaandam, Noord-Holland) Held online**

• **CPMR General Assembly and Intermediterranean Commission Plenary Meeting (28-30 October 2019, Crete) Held online**

• **Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau (1 March 2021) Online**
  ➢ Approval of the Intermediterranean Commission General Assembly conclusions of October 2020
  ➢ Meeting of the new Political Bureau and discussion for the Validation of the updated action plans for the Working groups
  ➢ Presentation of the new TF on Agriculture and Climate change
  ➢ Presentation of the new work axis on the Restoration of Mediterranean degrade lagoons
  ➢ Discussion on the position paper For a Renewed Partnership with the Southern Mediterranean Neighborhood (reaction to EU EC Communication)

• **CPMR Political Bureau (26 March 2021, online)**

• **CPMR Political Bureau (24 June 2021, Zaandam, Noord-Holland – hybrid format)**

• **General Assembly of the Intermediterranean Commission (July 09, 2021, online)**
  ➢ Approval of the Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau conclusions of March 2021
  ➢ Ratification of the position paper For a Renewed Partnership with the Southern Mediterranean Neighborhood (reaction to EU EC Communication)
  ➢ Ratification of the 2021 IMC Final Declaration
  ➢ Presentation of the BLUEBIOMED Manifesto
  ➢ Presentation of the Mediterranean Awards for Intercultural dialogue
• **CPMR General Assembly** (October 13-15 2021, Crete)

• **Intermediterranean Commission Plenary meeting** (October 27, 2021, online)
  - Approval of the conclusions of the General Assembly (July 2021)
  - Presentation of the BlueBioMed Manifesto
  - Presentation and endorsement of the Blue Growth Community Policy Paper
  - Update on the Economic and Social Cohesion WG - RESET Project on Solidarity Economy and IMC Youth Council: synergies and next steps
  - Update on the Territorial cooperation and macro-regional strategies WG - MedCoopAlliance, ETC Programs, report to the COTER of the European Committee of Regions
  - Update on the Water & Energy WG - SolaQua project, AGRIMED TF (Region Sud)
  - Update on the Transport & Integrated Maritime Policy - Transport updates with CPMR activities, restoration of lagoons in the Mediterranean, Zero plastic initiative

**Upcoming meetings**

• **Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau** (February 09, 2022, online)
  - Approval of the conclusions of the Plenary Assembly (October 2021)
  - Presentation and endorsement of the WINTERMED Policy Paper
  - Update on the Economic and Social Cohesion WG – Mediterranean Youth Council: synergies and next steps, Tourism Task force and UfM Capacity building
  - Update on the Territorial cooperation and macro-regional strategies WG - MedCoopAlliance, ETC Programs, report to the COTER of the European Committee of Regions
  - Update on the Water & Energy WG – SolaQua project, AGRIMED TF (Region Sud)
  - Update on the Transport & Integrated Maritime Policy – Transport updates with CPMR activities, restoration of lagoons in the Mediterranean, Zero plastic initiative

• **CPMR Political Bureau** (March 25, 2022, Barcelona)
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 WestMed: SIMWESTMED (2017-2018), works connected with Bologna Charter, etc.).
- 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 - ongoing.
- Contribution to the CPMR work in relation with Climate issues - Climate TF meetings January, April, October 2021 and 08 February 2022).
- Participation and contribution to the CPMR Transport WG (December 2020, March, September 2021 and January 2022). Meeting of the IMC Working group on Transport and IMP (15 June 2021, focus on Restoration of Mediterranean lagoons).
- **Programmes, projects, members’ events and external stakeholders:** Monitoring of future calls for projects (e.g., MED 3rd call for proposal) / programmes on maritime issues (e.g., H2020/HEurope), selection of the most relevant projects and participation in preparatory meetings, follow-up on proposals (2018-2021).
- 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 stakeholders for the presentation of project proposals to the 3rd call of Interreg MED (12 projects supported) and Blue Careers (2 projects). Follow-up of the elaboration of the new programmes for 2021-2027 EuroMED and NEXT MED.
- Synergies with CPMR works on transports (CEF review, amendments for the new regulation, participation in CPMR intergroups meetings etc.).
- Participation to the debates of the EU Tourism Convention (12 October 2020).
- Participation to EU Commission’s Seminar “What Future for the Blue Economy?” (October 2020).
- Support to promote the Méditerranée du Futur event (December 2020, Marseille).
- Presentation of ESMI project (H2020 CSA) on geohazards in the Mediterranean (March 2020).
- Follow-up of the BlueMed initiative for a plastic-free Mediterranean (January 2020, November 2020, Final conference 22-24 February 2021) and follow-up initiatives under Mission Ocean from 2021 on. Organization of the IMC WG gathering the regions for a plastic-free Mediterranean Sea - meeting in February 2022.
- Participation to the SEArica Blue Economy Conference (January 2021, online) on the blue dimension of the Green Deal and to its event on building a Sustainable Tourism for EU Coastal Regions, October 2021.
- Assises de l’économie de la mer 2021 - 14-15 September 2021, Nice.
- Participation to the Blue Eco Forum “towards sustainable blue food in the Mediterranean” (22 October 2021, online).
- COP26 - From the 1st to the 12th of November 2021, Glasgow.
- Participation to the 2020 Forum of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean - 28 November-01 December 2021, Monaco / online.
- Participation to the Mediterranean Forum, organized at the initiative of the President of the French Republic, 07-08 February 2022 Marseille.


- Implementation of the new horizontal project for the Blue Growth Community (2019-ongoing); participation to the Blue Growth steering committee meetings (e.g., 31 March 2021, online), to its information meetings on Marine Renewable Energy activities and tools (e.g., 8 February 2021), to the transfer/training event on MRE (BLUE LABS) 22 April 2021, online, and its latest Annual Assembly/Blue economy event in synergy with CPMR Maritime affairs strand (Fall 2021).

- Follow-up on the implementation of the PANACEA declaration, submitted for approval at the IMC PB (December-February 2019).

- Implementation of the new horizontal project for the Mediterranean Biodiversity Protection Community (MBPC) for nature conservation and management (2019-ongoing) and follow-up - participation in its steering committees e.g., the 4th and 5th steering committees on June 2021 and January 2022. Participation to the MBPC webinar on the effective governance of Mediterranean wetlands and MPAs, 29 October 2021, online.

- Implementation of the maritime projects on sustainable tourism CO-EVOLVE (2017-2019), HERIT-DATA, MITOMED+ (2017-2019), DESTIMED PLUS (2020-ongoing), WINTERMED (2020-ongoing) - participation to the WINTERMED steering committees (e.g., April, July 2021 and February 2022) and HERIT-DATA steering committee (December 2021), HD workshop and training capacity building seminar December 2021.

- Participation in several activities and support to the organization of events/project meetings related to the maritime projects on sustainable tourism (e.g., the 1st, 2nd and 3rd WINTERMED transnational policy exchange workshops in 2021; DESTIMED PLUS policy training workshop “Integrating sustainable tourism and conservation in marine and coastal planning” 07 July 2021; HERIT-DATA technical seminar on capitalization on the 14th of September 2021.

- Interreg MED Programme annual capitalization and preparation meeting (Greece, March-October 2019), annual event and preparation of the future of the programme and governance in the Med (06 November 2020).

- Monitoring of PANORAMED (October 2018-ongoing), PHAROS4MPAs (2018-2019) and MISTRAL (2018-ongoing) where the IMC is associated partner and participation in their meetings - participation to the PANORAMED final evaluation meeting (07 July 2021, online) to estimate its effective contribution in relation to the INTERREG MED 2014-2020.

- Implementation of the Interreg MED Blue Bio Med strategic project (2020-ongoing); participation to the BlueBioMed’s steering committee meeting (11 February 2021, online) and to the 1st sounding board meeting (15 January 2021, 15 July 2021), training course (19-22 March 2021), elaboration of the
Manifesto/Call for Actions. Planification for a presentation and endorsement of the Manifesto by the CPMR-IMC.

- Participation to the Interreg MED Blue Deal Transferring Lab in Cyprus / online 14-17 June 2021.
- Implementation of the strategic projects on sustainable tourism BESTMED (2020-ongoing), SMARTMED (2020-ongoing). Participation in several activities/seminars and events/project meetings (e.g., their steering committees, as in November and December 2021, and their joint transferring seminars BESTMED and SMARTMED on April and December 2021, online).
- Participation to the launch of the 2021-2027 EuroMED programme (December 2021).
- MC4BG & Co-Evolve4BG: Follow up of Med Coast for Blue Growth and Co-Evolve4BG, organization of a joint meeting with Interreg MED CO-EVOLVE 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.
- WestMed: Monitoring of Western Med initiative and participation in the West Med Steering Stakeholder Conference (December 2018, Algiers). Coordination and active participation in labs about sustainable tourism, biodiversity and blue skills.
- UfM: Several synergies with UfM for the implementation of the UfM declaration on Blue Economy (e.g., Mediterranean Knowledge Platform, newsletter, circulation of information, BlueMed monitoring etc.) (ongoing).
- Follow-up and participation to the UfM Task Force on the Environment (November 2020).
- Participation to the UfM/WestMed Webinar “Digitalization skills in the aquaculture and tourism sectors in the Mediterranean region” (9 June 2021) and UfM webinar on “Wetlands restorations as nature-based solutions in the Mediterranean” (16 November 2021, online).
- Internal management: Discussions on the update of the WG Action Plan and TFs (February 2020-February 2022) and implementation thereof.

2. Upcoming activities

- Contribution to the CPMR work in relation with the CEF2 post 2020 etc.
- Monitoring of TEN-T and RTAP.
- Contribution to the next CPMR Climate Task Force meetings.
- Participation and contribution to the next CPMR Transport WG and seminar on transport, 24 March 2022 Catalunya, Spain.

- Organization of a meeting of the IMC Transports WG in synergy with CPMR on TEN-T, March 1st 2022

- Participation to the UfM event in collaboration with BlueMed on EU tourism, Ocean and Seas and BlueMed (3-4 March 2021) and UfM Working Group on Blue Economy (23 March 2021, Brussels / online).

- Implementation and monitoring of sustainable tourism projects involving the maritime issues DESTIMED PLUS, HERIT-DATA, WINTERMED and participation in several activities and events/project meetings - Final HERIT-DATA capitalization event on March 2022 and WINTERMED / DESTIMED PLUS final capitalisation conferences to be decided (May 2022).

- Follow-up of the PANORAMED governance project (2018-ongoing) - PANORAMED Final event 06 April 2022

- WG activities in connection with the CPMR Maritime Agenda (MSP, Coastal Defence, Marine Data, Marine industries, marine litter, marine energy, fisheries and aquaculture…) (2018-ongoing).

- Synergies with Blue Finance DG MARE, 20 June 2022.

- WG activities in connection with the CPMR Climate Agenda (EU Green Deal, Just Transition Mechanism, Climate Law…).

- Monitoring of the Interreg MED strategic project Blue Bio Med and support / participation to its meetings.

- Follow-up of initiatives under Mission Ocean (2021-ongoing) and monitoring of the IMC WG gathering the regions for a plastic-free Mediterranean Sea (1st meeting on 08 February 2022). Monitoring of BESTMED and SMARTMED (January 2020-ongoing) and participation to several activities/project meetings (e.g., SMARTMED steering committee 24 April 2022 and BESTMED Calabria transferring event 24-25 May 2022.

- Implementation and monitoring of the 2 horizontal projects Blue Growth Community on Innovation & Blue Growth and Mediterranean Biodiversity Protection Community on Environmental protection and events.

- Participation to the One Ocean Summit as follow-up of the One Planet Summit initiative, 09-11 February 2022, Brest.

- Participation to the Coastal Regions’ Forum, 11 February 2022 Brest.

- Participation to the International Forum of MARLICE on Marine Litter and Circular Economy, 18-20 May 2022, Sevilla.
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 and participation/contribution to CPMR TF on macro-regional strategies (September 2020, September 2021) and organization of the WG meeting on territorial cooperation and macro-regional strategies (28 June 2021).

- 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 (September 2020, January, October 2021).


- Reflections with and contribution to the CPMR Secretariat’s activities on the implementation of structural funds over CPMR Member regions, in particular following the pandemic aftermath (ongoing).

- **WestMed:** WestMed 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).


- **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).


- Monitoring of the EU Neighborhood 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.

- Synergies and participation to the Catalonia EU Regions and Territorial Agendas workshop (October 2020).


- Monitoring of AI-NURECC and future reflections for synergies and replication (October 2018-Final Conference 04 December 2019, Brussels). Launch of AI-NURECC PLUS initiative (CPMR acts as partner) focused on the multilevel cooperation, especially as a response to the pandemic (02 July 2021).

- 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 (Marseilles, June 2019).
- Synergies with UNEP MAP and MSSD (October 2018-ongoing).
- Participation to the EU Week of Regions and Cities (from 2018-ongoing 2022 tbd). Specific seminars organized to promote the MedCoopAlliance and the role of multi-level governance in a sustainable economy.
- **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), PANORAMED steering committee meetings (March 2021), PANORAMED Dialogues (Fall 2021).
- **ARLEM/CoR**: meeting with association, preparation of the plenary, future reports, participation in the Commission meetings (e.g., July 2018-October 2018, Brussels) and coordination meeting with networks, co-organization of side events in view of the Plenary (February 2019).
- 10\(^{th}\) Plenary Session of ARLEM, adoption of the report on Governance and Transparency in the Mediterranean region and CPMR contribution to the report on the Youth entrepreneurship in the Mediterranean (February 2019).
- 11\(^{th}\) 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).
- 12\(^{th}\) Plenary Session of ARLEM and adoption of the report on the Impacts of Climate change on Mediterranean agriculture with the contribution of the CPMR-IMC and presented by A. Rampal / Region Sud (22 February 2021).
- Preparation of the report on a Macro-regional strategy for the Mediterranean to the COTER (ongoing).
- Participation to the 8\(^{th}\) meeting of the ARLEM Commission, 07 February 2022, Marseille / online; coordination meetings with the Regions representing the IMC.
- **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 Pyrénéees-Méditerranée and Adriatic-Ionian, including coordination meetings (October 2018-ongoing).
- Set-up of the Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance with the main Mediterranean networks of regional and local authorities (ongoing), implementation of the objectives of the MedCoopAlliance regarding multi-level governance and territorial cooperation (ongoing). Addition of a signatory organization through COPPEM (October 2019, Palermo).
- **Internal management**: Discussions for the update of the WG Action Plan for 2020-22

## 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).
- Participation/contribution to the CPMR TF on macro-regional strategies, support to the TF Migration works along with the participation to its future meetings. Participation to the REGIN Final Conference 23-24 February 2022, Brussels / Online.
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 meetings 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.

Participation to the Annual EUSAIR Forum, 16-18 May 2022, Tirana (tbc.).

Specific monitoring of ADRION, IPA/CBC/MED Programmes and future calls & possible implementation of selected project presented to the first calls and conception of new projects; monitoring for synergies and potential replication/adaptation in the West MED area.

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 meetings and events, PANORAMED Dialogues (Fall 2021). PANORAMED Final Event 06 April 2022.

Preparation of the 1st Interreg EURO-MED call on governance projects and participation to its specific workshops/seminars January, February 2022.

Participation to the 20th European Week of Regions and Cities (tbd.). Specific seminars organized to promote the MedCoopAlliance and the role of multi-level governance in a sustainable economy.

Monitoring of the AI-NURECC PLUS initiative.

Implementation of a Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance with major Mediterranean networks of local and regional authorities; lobbying to institutions and organizations (January-February 2020, ongoing).

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 via the UfM TA.

Follow-up WestMED initiative steering committee and participation to the stakeholder conference (tbd.).
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). Organization of the TF on Culture and Sustainable Tourism and WINTERMED 1st engagement forum (16 July 2021).
- Preparation and synergies with the MedCat Week 2019 on the future of the Mediterranean Region, specifically discussing the future of Cohesion, Neighborhood 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 4 and Mediterranean Youth Assembly in Marseille (December 2020).
- Participation to European Week of Regions and Cities (October 2019, 2020, 2021, Brussels/online). Specific seminars organized to promote the MedCoopAlliance and the role of multi-level governance in a sustainable economy.
- Support to the conception of 9 new projects on sustainable tourism for the 3rd Interreg MED call for proposal.
- Synergies with the INTERACT Med Lab Group on Sustainable Tourism and participation to the conference (May 2019, Palermo).
- Participation to the debates of the EU Tourism Convention (12 October 2020).
- Participation to the Catalan Youth Climate Forum (December 2020).
- Participation to the SEArica event on building a sustainable tourism for EU coastal regions (01 October 2021).
- Participation to the ENI-CBC webinar in occasion of the world tourism day (27 September 2021).
- Participation to the UfM/WestMED webinar on “sustainable tourism innovation” and UfM webinar on “driving sustainable production and consumption through eco-labelling”, November 2021 online.
- **Interreg Med**: Implementation and closing of CO-EVOLVE (2017-2019), MITOMED+ (2017-2019) and HERIT-DATA projects on sustainable tourism, synergies with the HP Sustainable Tourism projects, and support to the preparation of the ones in Brussels, Dubrovnik and Montpellier.
- Follow-up of DESTIMED PLUS project (2020-ongoing) and dialogues for the Mediterranean Ecotourism Community (MEC). Participation to the DESTIMED PLUS policy training workshop “Integrating sustainable tourism and conservation in marine and coastal planning” 07 July 2021.
- Monitoring of the strategic projects on sustainable tourism BESTMED and SMARTMED, and participation in several activities and events/project meetings - SMARTMED steering committee in November 2021 and
their joint transferring seminar on “good practices exchange and synergies building” 01 December 2021, online. Participation to the BESTMED seminar on the development of a network of sustainable tourism observatories in the Mediterranean, 16 December 2021.

- Participation to the Interreg MED Sustainable Tourism Community (2020); participation in the 2nd community building workshop (2021) and to the 1st associated partners & other stakeholders meeting (2021). Participation to the MED sustainable tourism days 14-17 December 2021.

- Follow-up and monitoring of the Interreg MED Sustainable Tourism Community BleuTourMed, e.g., participation in the 2nd capitalization workshop (27-28 March, 2019, Dubrovnik) and the 3rd one (June 2019, Barcelona).


- Follow-up and monitoring of the ENI CBC Med MEDUSA project for the development and promotion of Mediterranean sustainable adventure tourism (IMC acts as associate) - participation to its 1st advisory board meeting February 2021.

- **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 meeting in Montpellier in April 2019, with a follow-up in Barcelona in June 2019.


- Follow-up, 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) - Mediterranean Games will be hosted by Taranto in 2026.

- **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 – ongoing).

- Building up of a Management model for Maritime and Coastal Tourism in the Mediterranean (dissemination and mainstreaming (2020-ongoing).

- Implementation of the maritime projects on sustainable tourism DESTIMED PLUS, HERIT-DATA, WINTERMED and participation/capitalization of several activities and events/project meetings. Final HERIT-DATA capitalization event on March 2022 and WINTERMED / DESTIMED PLUS final capitalisation conferences to be decided (May 2022).

- Monitoring of the strategic projects on sustainable tourism BESTMED and SMARTMED, and participation in several activities and events/project meetings (e.g., SMARTMED steering committee 24 April 2022 and BESTMED Calabria transferring event 24-25 May 2022.

- Synergies with the INTERACT Med Lab Group for innovative solutions in coastal tourism.

- **Follow-up and monitoring** of the Interreg MED Sustainable Tourism Community (2020-ongoing).

- 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 follow-up of the RESET project results.

1. 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).


- 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).

- IMC Water & Energy Working Group Meeting (July 2020, online).

- Launch of the AGRIMED Task Force (July 2021) and follow-up 2nd AGRIMED TF meeting, December 2021.

- **Programmes, projects, members’ events and external stakeholders**: Follow-up of the seminar on water management held in Sevilla in September 2018.


- Presentation of the SolaQua project (H2020) on solar irrigation (December 2019) and approval (March 2020).

- Kick-off of the SolaQua project (H2020) (October 14-15, 2020, online) and continuous follow-up of the project; participation to the SolaQua semester meeting (14-15 April 2021, online).

- Follow-up and contributions to the ARLEM report on Climate and agriculture (2020-2021). Adoption of the report in February 2021.

- Presentation of the SolaQua project (H2020) and the progress during the IMC AGRIMED Task Force (06 July 2021, online) along with the presentation of the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA) programme.

- Monitoring of the COP 26 event of the 1-12th November, Glasgow.

- **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).

- Capitalization and mainstreaming of the SHERPA projects results (EN-TRACK, etc.).

- 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 InnoBlueGrowth (Final conference on September 2019, Brussels) with topics on marine renewable energies and circular economy.
- **UfM**: Follow-up and monitoring of the UfM Working Group on Environment and Climate Change, e.g., participation in the GSO 2\textsuperscript{nd} 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 2020-22

## 2. Upcoming activities

- 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.
- Synergies with CPMR TF on Climate on EU Green Deal, Climate Law, Just Transition Fund… (2019-ongoing).
- Synergies with inter-commissions TF on Mediterranean Islands and issues on circular economy and energy.
- Follow-up and monitoring of the UfM Working Group on Environment and Climate Change - participation to the UfM WG on Environment and Climate Change 15-16 March 2022.
- Follow-up of the Blue Growth Community with topics on marine renewable energies and circular economy (February 2020, November 2020, February 2021, ongoing).
- Co-ordination with the Co-Presidencies of the WG in view of the update of the Action plan for 2020-22 (February 2020-ongoing). Follow up of the AGRIMED TF (2\textsuperscript{nd} meeting December 2021) and monitoring of the SolaQua project results - participation to the SolaQua steering committee 16-17 March 2022.
- Organization of a meeting of the WG (Spring 2022 - tbd.).
COMMUNICATION, MEMBERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS

Achievements

- Regular updates of the IMC website and TeamUp calendar.
- 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.
- Support to the implementation of the new integrated web platform of the CPMR and use of the new visual image.
- 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.

Upcoming activities

- Update of the IMC visual image and WG Action plans presentations for members following the update of the actions plans for the new mandate, especially for co-presidencies but also members.
- 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.
- Elaboration and publication of the IMC seasonal newsletter (semestrial).
- 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 or Teams).
- Organisation of informative virtual meetings on IMC CPMR activities for IMC members.
- Development new internal area of CPMR site.
- Support in the implementation of the new members’ area within the CPMR website.
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.”