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I. Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)

In collaboration with the CPMR Task Force on migration, the Intermediterranean Commission participates to the following projects proposals, involving several of its Regions. The IMC-CPMR would act as partner and "foreign associate" in case of approval.

AMIF CALL (EC) on integration

• Project on labor integration: VALMISKILL

<u>Valuing Diversity at Workplace: labor integration of migrants through building skills centers</u> – **Priority 2**: facilitate the access to work and foster integration in the work place, **Outcome 2.3**: Stimulate methods for engaging with employers and social partners in the integration process, and ensure that a better integration is reached in the work place through the promotion and effective management of diversity.

Short description: Support legal migration to Member States in accordance with their economic and social needs—such as labor market needs, while safeguarding the integrity of immigration systems of Member States and promoting an effective integration of third-country nationals:

- o to explore and understand the changing landscape of migration and diversity in various European contexts and in particular at workplace mapping of skills shortage and occupations,
- to introduce effective models of skill centers and mentoring at workplace for better integration of migrants in European contexts, and management their positive-advantages to the European societies/economies,
- to further diversity management strategy as positive effect on integration of migrants via the introduction of a multi-stakeholder cooperation in addressing diversity and integration issues at the work place.

Partnership: Lead partner - All-Poland Alliance of Trade Unions (Ogólnopolskie Porozumienie Związków Zawodowych, OPZZ) and other key stakeholders (trade unions, organizations operating on migrants integration at work place): University of Thessaly, Fundación Bustamante, ESF, Magenta consulting, Slovakian house of used books, Formac EOOD Bulgaria, SAS Guimel France, VTC Lesvos.

Participating Regions: Catalonia, Veneto, North Aegean.

Other partners: CPMR

Associates: N/A

Comments: The core of the project enters in correlation with the current activities developed in the CPMR Migration Task force. This project would reinforce concrete cooperation activities between CPMR members in the task force and would give them tangible results, notably some statistical data, methodologies, training activities that would be of use for the overall CPMR activities. CPMR with the help of its IMC will be involved in data collection, promote the participation of its members in trainings on diversity management, final conference and advocacy/dissemination activities and contribute to the development of skill centers for migrants.

Duration: 24 months (beginning November 2016).

Total eligible budget for the project: € 536,000

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 12,000 in staff costs (90% co-funded). Other costs will be covered directly by the Lead Partner

Status: project submitted in March 2016, under evaluation.

AMIF CALL (Italian Ministry) on integration

• Project on social and health integration: MIMOSA

Objective 2 "Integration/Legal migration" – **National Objective 2.3** "Capacity Building" – Call for proposals for the promotion of comparison between integration policies in Italy and other Member States.

Short description: To improve the migrant reception and integration system in Italy and Europe, with a focus on social-medical issues through exchange of experiences.

Partnership: Lead partner - EMERGENCY ONG ONLUS (Sicily)

Participating Regions (co-applicants): Sicily (Department for Family, Social Policies and Labour – Special Office for Migration), COPPEM Mediterraneo (Standing Committee for the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership of Local and Regional Authorities)

Other associated partners: U.CO.II – Unione Comunità Islamiche d'Italia, WHO-World Health Organization;, Regione Sicilia – Assessorato alla Salute (Health Department)

Foreign Associates partners (specific terminology of the call that refers to a role similar to a subcontractor): CPMR, Comunidad Autónoma de Andalucía - Departamento de inmigración

Comments: the role of the CPMR would mainly be to organize a "medium size" seminar/workshop in Brussels in 2017 with the TF Migration at the CoR (or EP) in the morning (open/extended seminar to TF members, EC, ARLEM etc.) and a restricted and operational Workshop for 15 (max 20) experts working on the project in the afternoon (in a room of our delegation/building in Brussels). The focus of the events would be the exchange of best practices among regions on the integration of migrants in EU countries in the fields of society/health sector/work place. CPMR and its IMC will get 25.000 euro for these activities as sort of subcontractors (for translations and travel of key partners/speakers/coffee break/light lunch).

Duration: 15 months (beginning in 2017).

Total eligible budget for CPMR: 25.000 euro. All costs for CPMR activities would be charged on the budget of the LP or spent via subcontracting CPMR after the approval of the project (this aspect is still to be clarified together with possible pre-financing).

Status: project submitted in March 2016, under evaluation.

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II. Interreg ADRION (Adriatic-Ionian area)

Note: For this first call of proposals of the Interreg ADRION Program, the CPMR is not considered eligible as a potential applicant or full partner to participate in projects proposals (due to legal geographic location). Nonetheless, if the projects will be approved it will act as subcontractor when relevant, in line with its activities, priorities, and full coordination with its participating member Regions and/or as associated partner (without legal or financial liabilities but with a clear connection concerning the activities of capitalization or dissemination).

Projects in which the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission may participate as subcontractor

More specifically, the IMC CPMR has participated in the drafting of the proposals, in full collaboration with the Lead partners. Should the projects be approved, the CPMR would benefit from part the preparation costs as well as participate, when relevant, as subcontracted organization.

• <u>INTRAMOBILITYS</u> - Innovative iNtegrated multimodal TRAnsport and MOBILITY Skills services in the Adriatic-Ionian area.

Short description: To enhance capacity for integrated transport and mobility services and multimodality in the Adriatic-Ionian area (ADRION program specific objective). The action will foresee activities of study connected to the topic, creation of community, capitalization and training.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Veneto Region (Logistics department), assisted by Veneto Lavoro.

Participating Regions: Western Greece, Emilia-Romagna (via its Union of Chambers of Commerce).

Other partners: Fondazione Istituto sui Trasporti e la Logistica (ITL), Consorzio Formazione Logistica Intermodale (CFLI), University of Piraeus Research Center (Greece), Institute of Transport (Albania), University of Zagreb – Faculty of Transport and Traffic Sciences (Croatia), Codognotto d.o.o (Slovenia), University of Bari.

Associates: Crete Region, Port authority of Venice, Port authority of Ancona.

Comments: the CPMR with its IMC has supported the setting up of the proposal and will follow closely its activities in case of approval, as the project constitute the first spin-off action of Vasco da Gama in the Mediterranean / Adriatic-Ionian Area. It will also interact directly and be paid in the case of selection as subcontractor.

Duration: January 01, 2017 / December 31, 2018

Total eligible budget of the project: € 1,178,754.00 (ERDF 85% co-funded, IPAII 85% co-funded).

Total eligible budget for CPMR: the CPMR and its IMC will participate as potential subcontractor to the calls for some external services mainly connected to the activities of study, capitalization and dissemination

Status: project presented in the first call in March 2016. Administrative check ongoing, evaluation foreseen during 2016.

• <u>PRIMAVERA</u> - Protection, management and valorization of high-value natural and cultural resources in small developed islands.

Short description: To promote appropriate methods and tools, and to develop local capacities through pilot actions and sharing of information and experience for the protection and management of high-value natural and cultural resources in small developed islands.

To contribute to the future development of tourism based on respect for and valorization of the natural and cultural assets of the islands, and not limited to the summer season.

To establish an effective network of transnational cooperation between small developed islands, for sharing knowledge and cooperation.

Comments: the CPMR with its Island Commission and IMC has supported the setting up of the proposal and will follow closely its activities in case of approval, as the project is linked to their activities on Sustainable Tourism in the Adriatic-Ionian Area and related to island dimension. The CPMR will also interact directly and be paid in the case of selection as subcontractor.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Region South Aegean.

Participating Regions: Sicily Region.

Other partners: Catholic University of Santa Croce, Korcula Municipality (HR), Ionian University (EL), Paros Municipality (EL), Antiparos Municipality (EL), HUPG (Croatian association of historic Cities) (HR).

Associates: Region of Ionian islands, Region of East Macedonia and Thrace, Municipality of Symi, Municipality of Tilos, Municipality of Santa Marina Salina, Municipality of Malfa, Leni Municipality, Lipari Municipality, Municipality of Paxos, Municipality of Ithaki, Municipality of Pantelleria, City of Mali Lošinj, Special reserve of forest vegetation Lokrum, Local action group škoji, Ministry of Tourism of the Republic of Croatia, Municipality of Nin.

Duration: January 01, 2017 / December 31, 2018

Total eligible budget of the project: € 1,567,300.00 (ERDF 85% co-funded, IPAII 85% co-funded).

Total eligible budget for CPMR: the CPMR and its IMC and Island Commissions will participate as potential subcontractor in the calls for some external services connected mainly to the activities of capitalization and dissemination.

Status: project presented in the first call in March 2016. Administrative check ongoing, evaluation foreseen during 2016.

Projects proposal in which the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission participates as ASSOCIATED partner

 <u>A-MARE</u> – Promoting fisheries-related tourism as a sustainable model for the identity of ADRION area

Short description: the main project objective is to promote fisheries related tourism (fishing touirsm, icthyoturism, etc...) in order to protect and valorize natural and cultural resources of the Adriatic and Ionian coastal communities with a view to environmental and socio-economic sustainability. Among the specific objectives there are the followings: improve networking and coordination mechanisms, enhance competences and skills in fishery related tourism quality offer and management; strengthen common identity and visibility of fishing communities; increase income and diversification of fishermen activities; contribute to environmental sustainability through the reduction of fishing effort and ecological footprint,; extend the tourism inflows beyond summer season and exploiting fishing cultural heritage; enhance mainstreaming of fisheries related tourism into regional development policies.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Marche Region (IT), IAMB (IT), IZOR (HR), ERFC (GR), MoARD (ME) Other participating Regions: Sicily (IT), RERA (HR)

Associates: CPMR.

Comments: This project is a concrete opportunity to capitalize CPMR's expertise by clustering with new stakeholders and relevant actors in the field of fisheries-related tourism. The project will allow CPMR to design a common brand on fisheries-related tourism activities that could be spread throughout its network with high positive socio-economic impacts for the CPMR member regions.

Duration: 2 years - 01/02/2017 - 31/01/2019

Total eligible budget of the project: € 1,178,754.00 (ERDF 85% co-funded, IPAII 85% co-funded).

Total eligible budget for CPMR: none. Travels and accommodation will be taken care of by the project, when applicable.

Status: project presented in the first call in March 2016. Administrative check ongoing, evaluation foreseen during 2016.

III. Interreg MED

Modular project proposals in which the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission participates as PARTNER

• SHERPA - SO 2.1 Efficiency Energy in Buildings of the Med. M2+M3 (Testing + Capitalizing).

Short description: sharing of regional experiences/strategies, learning by doing, capitalization & transfer, transnational strategy, etc., on Energy Efficiency in Public Buildings.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Catalonia.

Participating Regions: Generalitat Valenciana (IVE), Abruzzo, Lazio, Emilia Romagna, Crete, Gozo, Dubrovnik Neretva (DUNEA).

Other partners: CIMNE, AMORCE, Centre for renewable energy sources and saving (CRES), IMC-CPMR.

Associates: Umbria, Calabria, Valencia, ICAEN, Metropolitan Area of Barcelona (AMB), Diputacio de Barcelona, Arco Latino, Heraklion, Municipality of Hersonissos, ENEA, Gozo Development Agency.

Comments: It is a solid proposal, which is merging 3 previous proposals and is based on a long previous process of capitalization of MED projects, on the work of the "Energy & Water" Group of the Intermediterranean Commission, and the Ljubljana declaration.

Duration: September 01, 2016 / August 31, 2019 (the beginning of the project will probably be postponed in 2017 in case of approval, according to the development of the evaluation)

Total eligible budget of the project: € 3,591,689.35

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 273,833.75 (85% co-funded)

Status: project submitted in November 2015, passed the first administrative eligibility check, and the first content evaluation step. Currently under last step technical evaluation (results foreseen in September 2016).

• MARINE VILLAGES – SO 3.1 Coastal & Maritime Sustainable Tourism. M1+M2 (Analysis + Testing).

Short description: original project with a very practical side about the conceptualization and testing in regions for the creation of a brand of eco-fishing-cultural tourism dealing with the reality of sea med villages.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Catalonia.

Participating Regions: Crete, Western Greece, Corsica, Calabria, Puglia, DUNEA.

Other partners: ASCAME, University of Girona, CIHEAM, IMC-CPMR.

Associates: Transports and Mobility department of Catalonia.

Duration: September 01, 2016 / August 31, 2019 (the beginning of the project be will probably be postponed in 2017 in case of approval, according to the development of the evaluation)

Total eligible budget of the project: € 2,743,050.00

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 272,000.00 (85% co-funded)

Status: project submitted in November 2015. Has passed the first administrative eligibility check. Currently in the content evaluation phase (second wave as it has to undergo a longer administrative check).

• FISHTOUR - SO 3.1 Fishing Sustainable Tourism. M2 (Testing)

Short description: Built on the experience of <u>NEMO</u>, which aims at developing the sustainable dimension of fishing tourism in the Mediterranean.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Marche Region

Participating Regions: Molise, Sicily, Andalucia (AGAPA)

Other partners: Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries (Croatia), RERA (Coordination and Development of Split Dalmatia County), European Framework for Cooperation (IOF Croatia), IMC-CPMR

Associates: County of Split-Dalmatia, IFAPA, Adriatic-Ionian Euroregion.

Duration: September 01, 2016 / February 01, 2019 (the beginning of the project be will probably be delayed in 2017 in case of approval, according to the development of the evaluation)

Total eligible budget of the project: € 1,898,017.00

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 233,197.50 (85% co-funded)

Status: project submitted in November 2015, passed the first administrative eligibility check, and the first content evaluation step. Currently under last step technical evaluation (results foreseen in September 2016).

• <u>SUR INTOUR</u> – SO 3.1. Cultural Sustainable Tourism and season elongation M2+M3 (Testing + Capitalization).

Short description: testing and capitalization of different methodologies from the regions and EU projects concerning season elongation through different types of tourism itineraries (including sustainable dimension of touristic transportation, cross-selling arrangements) and other measures at Med level.

Partnership: LP Crete.

Participating Regions: Sardinia, Molise, Peloponnese, Balearic Islands (ATB), Murcia, Split Dalmatia, South East Malta, Lheza Municipality

Other partners: Municipality of Ponza, Municipality of Ajaccio, City of Korcula.

Associates: Regional Council of Lheza, Lazio, Municipality of Hersonissos, Skhodra, Arco Latino, Sicilia, ASCAME, Molise, Cataluna (Tourism department), Municipality of Lastovo, Municipality of Ventotene

Comments: It is a project born from the bulk of reflections within the Intermediterranean Commission Task force on tourism and it has been merged with another idea on Med Islands of Molise/Sardinia.

Duration: 3 years.

Total eligible budget of the project: € 3,450,000.00

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 365,700.00 (85% co-funded)

Status: project submitted in November 2015, passed the first administrative eligibility check but was not approved further the content evaluation step. Even if the project has been rejected, it will constitute a base for future initiatives or projects to be submitted to future calls (MED/ENI CBC MED).

• <u>CO-EVOLVE</u> - SO 3.1 Sustainable Tourism. M1+M2 (Studying + Testing).

Short description: the project focuses its activities on the development of sustainable maritime and coastal tourism through a more efficient Maritime Spatial Planning and Integrated Coastal Zone Management.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Anatoliki Makedonia kai Thraki.

Participating Regions: Emilia Romagna, Veneto (Po Delta Park), Generalitat Valencia (FEPORTS).

Other partners: IUAV University of Venice, CNR (Veneto), Department of Herault, University of Thessaly, JU REAR SD (Split Dalmatia county), DUNEA, PAP/RAC, IMC-CPMR.

Associates: PRAXI (Crete), Po Delta Park (Emilia-Romagna), Territorial Planning, strategic & cartogrpahy institution (Veneto), Crete, Arco Latino, PWD (Cyprus).

Comments: the project is born from the experience of the Bologna Charter and linked to its Joint Action Plan.

Duration: September 01, 2016 / August 31, 2019. (the beginning of the project be will probably be postponed in 2017 in case of approval, according to the development of the evaluation)

Total eligible budget of the project: € 3,000,000.00

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 204,000.00 (85% co-funded).

Status: project submitted in November 2015, passed the first administrative eligibility check, and the first content evaluation step. Currently under last step technical evaluation (results foreseen in September 2016).

• MITOMED+ - SO 3.1 Coastal & Maritime Sustainable Tourism. M2+M3 (Testing + Capitalizing)

Short description: the project focuses on the follow-up of the Mitomed project and its action plan for Sustainable Coastal & Maritime Tourism, and in particular on the work on tourism indicators and Decision Support Systems.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Tuscany.

Participating regions: Andalusia, Larnaca (ANETEL).

Other partners: Association of Tuscan municipalities, CNR, IPTPO, NECSTouR, University of Girona, IMC-CPMR.

Associates: N/A

Comments: a consistent consortium to work on indicators. It would give the CPMR the opportunity to feed the reflection/action on tourism and the links with the EC ETIS system/NECStour etc.

Duration: September 01, 2016 / August 31, 2019 (the beginning of the activities will probably be postponed in 2017 in case of approval, according to the development of the evaluation)

Total eligible budget of the project: € 2,650,000.00

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 200,000.00 (85% co-funded)

Status: project submitted in November 2015. Has passed the first administrative eligibility check. Currently in the content evaluation phase (second wave as it has to undergo a longer administrative check).

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Several sectorial directorates or agencies of IMC CPMR Regions are involved in each of these projects consortia, together with several other territorial or scientific partners.

<u>The role of the CPMR</u> in all modular projects will be first of all to be responsible of the Communication package and the relation with the Horizontal projects (2.1 on energy efficiency and 3.1 on tourism). The CPMR will also have a set of specific activities dealing with the organization of seminars, workshops, conferences, drawing up of Action Plans (for dissemination, transfer, testing) or studies, policy papers, lobbying activities, depending on the project. All these activities will enable synergies with the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission Working groups and political activities.

Of course in the priority 3.1, which is maybe one of the most important for the MED, the concurrence is enormous, so the idea has been to be present in 5 totally different proposals (all relevant for the Intermediterranean Commission activities) in order to have a higher success rate. To this extent, the aim is to develop complementarities instead of concurrency.

Horizontal project proposals in which the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission participates as PARTNER

Both the following proposal are built upon the experience of <u>COM&CAP MarInA-Med and the capitalized projects</u>. They will have the main aim to assist the program and the modular projects in the transversal communication and capitalization activities towards the key stakeholders, including EU and territorial players and lobbying activities. Intermediterranean Commission members will be able to directly benefit from the projects outputs and the organization of events, the opportunity to interact, consolidate networks and exploit all connections for feeding their political and technical reflections on various themes of interest.

• <u>PANACeA</u> – Horizontal SO 3.2 "Streamlining Networking and Management efforts in Mediterranean Protected Areas for Enhanced Natural Conservation and Protection."

Short description: the project will address the communication and capitalization activities of the modular projects approved under Axis 3 S0 2 (including community building). It shall also participate to the works on Axis 4 of the Med Program.

Partnership: Lead Partner - European Topic Center, University of Malaga.

Other partners: MedCities (Barcelona Metropolitan Area), Plan Bleu, UNIMED, Regional Environmental Center for Central & Eastern Europe (Montenegro), IMC-CPMR.

Associates: MedWet, RAC/SPA, NGO OZON, IUCN World Commission on protected areas, Adriatic-Ionian Euroregion, MedPAN, Crete Region, PACA Region, GFCM, IUCN Med, WWF Mediterranean, MPA Island of Ustica, Maritime and Migration Museum Institution, Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (Lebanon).

Comments: The proposal is linked to the follow-up of Med-IAMER, is very consistent and the partnership is solid and heterogeneous. If approved, it will allow the Intermediterranean Commission and the CPMR members to benefit of a wide range of project results in itinere, to participate in relevant debates and to link the COM&CAP activities to the monitoring the implementation of directives as the MSFD on the territory, and to work on the development of ecosystem services in Protected Areas. The project includes an innovative proposal of "knowledge platform" for the MED.

Duration: October 01, 2016 / September 30, 2019.

Total eligible budget of the project: € 1,461,073.48

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 288,000.00 (85% co-funded)

Status: simplified application submitted in January 2016, passed the first administrative eligibility check, and the first content evaluation step with a very good evaluation. Full application form

submitted the 24/6. Currently under last step technical evaluation (results foreseen in September 2016). It has only one concurrent proposal.

• <u>InnoBlueGrowth</u> - Horizontal SO 1.1 - Blue Growth "Horizontal Communication & Capitalization project for Innovation in Blue Growth at Mediterranean level."

Short description: the project will address the communication and capitalization activities (including community building) of the modular projects approved under Axis 1 S0 1, which a specific focus on Blue Growth. It shall also participate to the works on Axis 4 of the Med Program.

Partnership: Lead Partner - National Inter-university Consortium for Marine Sciences (CoNISMa).

Participating regions: N/A.

Other partners: HCMR, ASCAME, Pole Mer, IMC-CPMR (original partnership, with potential replacement of HCMR and Pole Mer respectively by NTUA-National Technological University of Athens and Plan Bleu because of the rule of ineligibility of organizations having been already selected on other modular project within the same specific objective).

Associates: Adriatic-Ionian Euro-region, Mediterranean Center for Studying use and Conservation of Coastal areas (EUCC), Centro de Ciências do Mar da Universidade do Algarve, Cotec Foundation, INSULEUR, Crete Region, PACA Region.

Comments: Very good opportunity for the IMC CPMR (and its Regions) to work on maritime investments, RIS3, and the mainstreaming of ESIF at Med level, enlarging its network of stakeholders and contacts. Training activities on BG&Innovation are also foreseen. The modular projects to be capitalized may focus on some of the 5 topics of Blue Growth.

Duration: October 01, 2016 / September 30, 2019.

Total eligible budget of the project: € 1,411,764.71.

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 226,225.20 (85% co-funded)

Status: simplified application submitted in January 2016, passed the first administrative eligibility check, and the first content evaluation step with a very good evaluation. Full application form submitted the 24/6. Currently under last step technical evaluation (results foreseen in September 2016). It has no concurrent proposals.

Notes concerning both proposals

The 1st evaluation step only required the preparation of the <u>pre-application form</u> i.e. the partnership relevance to the action (contest, transnationality, etc.), and the methodology (relation between the HP and the modular ones, work organization/management, partners' responsibilities/added values, etc.). We produced a general scenario and tried to make hypotheses as we did not know the focus of the modular projects that would be selected by then. Though an approximation of the overall budget was prepared, the administrative documentation associated to the dossier was minimal; it has been however increased in the second step with the few information that we received on the pre-approved modular projects, tailoring strategies, tools, and budget accordingly, and drawing specific links with the axis 4 on governance. The <u>projects are supposed to be selected in September 2016 and start in October-November of the same year</u>.

<u>Very important:</u> relations with the AXIS 4 on governance: the Members States are still discussing about it. On the one hand, there will be a unique "platform project" starting in the first semester of 2016 and "top down" oriented on two priority topics. There will be working groups tackling these topics of the Program (e.g. sustainable tourism and maritime and marine surveillance, to be decided by the states) and migration as a transversal one -- where the States will agree to have multilevel discussions at Med level (knowledge-based discussions, "meta capitalization at Med level," mainstreaming with ESIF, coordination with other initiatives and networks at Med level in order

to enhance their impacts). This working groups will also be the place where the ideas for future strategic projects will be conceptualized.

Regions will be able to participate in the WGs but there is no clarity about the specific role of networks as the CPMR and its IMC, although it would be probably included one way or another. Even if the role of our network is still not specified, the <u>key bridging role of the horizontal projects</u> in this overall architecture of the axis 4 is already very clear as they will provide evidence-based results for the discussions with the ministries and represent an entire thematic community (promoting the integration of such visions into national policies). So, to succeed with the HP proposal will imply to get very much involved with the core discussion.

<u>Tailored communication per end-user/target</u>: in the methodology we had to work on this concept. Another key element is also the <u>community building</u> among modular projects (we will have to involve them in a cross-fertilization process, speed dating, capacity building/cross visiting/mutual reporting during events etc.). Clusterization, when relevant, shall also be developed (thematically or by target/end-user). We will also have to foresee an active participation in important EU / MED / global events on behalf of the project community during the life of the project.

Several Intermediterranean Commission Regions already manifested their will to be external associates in both proposals (an envelope for travels in our budgets has been reserved for that matter, and roles have been defined as well). As a general remark, we have foreseen a methodology for the advisory board and the associated partners in both projects, and then defined the final list of the most relevant ones.

It is also to note that many of the events foresee in this project could be organized back to back with IMC CPMR statutory events and the future conferences linked to the cooperation with the Union for the Mediterranean on blue economy or the emerging strategies as EUSAIR or the Western Med initiative.

Project proposals in which the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission participates as ASSOCIATED partner

The IMC-CPMR may participate in various other projects as associated partner (without financial and legal liabilitie:

• <u>MEDIS</u> (modular axis 1) "Mediterranean Innovation system, tools and services for the synergic implementation of smart specialization strategies"

Short description: To increase the innovation capacities in the MED through the setting up of a virtuous and connected RIS3 implementation network at MED area level able to foster the development of transnational R&I projects including efficient PPP models and effective policy mixes with particular attention to green and blue economy sectors.

Partnership: Lead partner - University of Barcelona.

Other partners: Marche Region, University of Lyon, Pole Transmedia Méditerranée (Primi), Regional Central Macedonia, Zadar County, Confederation of Enterprises (CAN Abruzzo), Chamber of Commerce of Cyprus, Institute Pedro Nunes University of Coimbra (IPN).

Duration: September 01, 2016 / August 31, 2019.

Status: passed to the 2nd phase evaluation.

• GOSUMP (horizontal 2.3) "Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans & Measures in the Med"

Short description: the project will focus on axis 2.3: "Increase capacity to use existing low carbon transport systems and multimodal connections among them", with a focus on sustainable urban mobility plans.

Partnership: Lead partner - EUROCITIES.

Other partners: Malaga City Council (CAT-MED), MedCities, UNIMED, REC Slovenia, CODATU.

Duration: October 01, 2016 / September 30, 2019.

Comments: the IMC will be able to develop synergies with its Working Group on Transport & IMP

Status: full application submitted, last evaluation phase ongoing.

• <u>BLETourMed_C3</u> (horizontal 3.1) "Maritime and Coastal SustainaBLE Tourism in the Mediterranean - Community building, Communication and Capitalization"

Short description: The project will develop monitoring and community building activities aiming at collecting the main results of the Modular Projects(MPs) as at stimulating the co-ownership of data and results among them. It will be also in charge of processing these results for the implementation of the policy framework regarding Coastal and Maritime sustainable tourism (MSP, ICZM, UNEP-MAP, Integrated regional development policies on sustainable tourism), as to elaborate a common Communication and Capitalization strategy for their dissemination. The project will develop 2 main channels to transfer and disseminate the projects' cluster outputs. The first one will be at a program level, technically with the Joint Technical Secretariat of the Med Program and creating synergies specifically with Specific Objectives 3.2 and axis 4. The second channel will target the main MED and EU decision makers.

Partnership: Lead partner - Arco Latino.

Other partners: Plan Bleu (France), University of Aegean (Greece), UNIMED (Italy), Diputació de Barcelona (Spain), Adriatic and Ionian Euro-region Secretariat (Croatia)

Duration: October 01, 2016 / September 30, 2019.

Comments: the IMC will be able to develop synergies with its Task force on Tourism, the possible modular projects that will be approved under SO 3.1 and the HP 3.2, Panacea.

Status: full application submitted, last evaluation phase ongoing.

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In all three projects, the role of the CPMR will be to disseminate the results of the projects on an *ad hoc* basis throughout its networks and working groups. There is no financial commitment involved when being associated partner. The travel expenditures are supported by the projects if CPMR were expected to travel.

Considerations on the budget implications and duration of all Interreg Med projects

At <u>budgetary</u> level, the 150-300.000 euros budget of each project will be spent over 2/3 years (depending on the type of project/modules) starting in the last trimester 2016 or the first of 2017. Co-funding 85% ERDF, 15% CPMR.

Furthermore, for both horizontal and modular projects, we will be able to charge (as consortium) the fees of preparation of the project (up to 30.000 euros lump sum for project approved) and the overheads during their implementation and at the end (flat rate calculated as the 15% of the staff costs).

All this, combined with the current cash flow of the CPMR and Intermediterranean Commission budget, the high concurrence in the program that will reduce the probabilities of getting an approval on all the proposals, will ensure the possibility to cope with financial management adequately.

Besides, the approval of several projects will also ensure the consolidation and possible enlargement of the team working for the CPMR / Intermediterranean Commission Secretariats.

IV. IPA Adriatic

Projects in which the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission may participate as ASSOCIATED partner

• <u>4PILLARS</u> - For Promoting an Innovative muLti-Level goveRnance System of EUSAIR (IPA Adriatic 2007-2013 targeted capitalization call)

Short description: The project will capitalize the results achieved by the institutional cooperation project AdriGov. Building on existing networks of cooperation, primarily the Adriatic-Ionian Euroregion, thanks to the work occurred within the 7 thematic AIE commissions and several events, seminars, workshops and working groups realized within the project, the aim of the project is to contribute to achieve the EUSAIR objectives, through a greater involvement of local authorities and civil society of the Member States and IPA countries involved in the strategy.

The starting point will be the deployment of a scientific investigation on Multilevel Governance in support of macro-regional strategy in order to understand what the different objectives to be achieved in the area are, the different methods and different decision-making processes at local and regional level that are in progress in the 8 EUSAIR Countries.

The partnership covers almost all EUSAIR area and the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion is an associated partner.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Molise Region.

Participating Regions: Marche Region (Italy), Region of Dubrovnik (Croatia), Region of Istria (Croatia), Region Council of Shkodra (Albania), Emilia Romagna - Dep. Tourism, Region of Epirus - Regional Unit of Thesprotia.

Other partners: Municipality of Izola (Slovenia), University of Sarajevo - Faculty of traffic and communication, University of Montenegro, Institute of Marine Biology

Associates: CPMR, AIE

Comments: The CPMR will support the dissemination of the project results and activities. More particularly, CPMR may participate to an event to be held in Albania concerning the theme of social inclusion, and to the final event that would potentially be organized in Molise.

Total eligible budget of the project: up to € 1,200,000.00 (IPA 85% co-funded).

Total eligible budget for CPMR: none. Travels and accommodation will be taken care of by the project, when applicable.

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V. Blue Careers (DG MARE)

Two proposal have been submitted in collaboration with the CPMR Secretariat and addressing transports and logistics.

• *Transport and logistics* **IN-BLUE-LOG** - Innovative trainings & internships to improve blue careers in maritime business & logistics

Short description: IN-BLUE-LOG is focused on maritime transportation and port logistics. Its main objective is based on enhancing the match between educational offers and the needs of firms. Through an emphasis on educational and practical skills, it will contribute to improving

employability of students, young people, workers and job-seekers in the blue sector (through trainings, internships, awareness raising, community building and other kind of activities). The relevance of blue careers in society is unquestionable. However, it exists differences between skilled workforce profiles. In this regard, it is necessary for VET centers to provide the adequate skills to its students in order to respond to the local labor market and port industry.

Partnership: Lead Partner - TecnoCampus (Universidad Pompeu Fabra, Mataro).

Other partners: FEPORTS, CPMR, University of the Aegean, Escola de Short Sea Shipping (AEIE), Nadal Forwarding S.L.

Associates: ANESCO (Shipowner association of Spain) and ANV (of Valencia), Barcelona Yard Company TCB-MAERSK, Generalitat Valenciana, Chambers of Commerce Council of Valencian region, the University of Le Havre (the Department of Port Engineering & facilities), Cantabria Region, with its links to the Port of Santander and the University.

Comments: Very good opportunity to ensure a follow-up of the Vasco da Gama project previously supported by the CPMR in the Mediterranean. The IMC CPMR will have a key role in capitalization, dissemination and transference activities.

Duration: January 01, 2017 / December 30, 2017.

Total eligible budget of the project: € 844,573

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 148,520 (80% co-funded)

Status: submitted to the first call in May 2016, under evaluation.

• Simulators: COAST - Create Opportunities Across the Sardinian Territory

Short description: COAST aims to fill the shortage of skilled staff employed in the Blue Economy in order to maximize the employment potential of this sector on the basis of a detailed analysis of the needs and requirements for the Region of Sardinia, in order to train "blue" professionals able to use their acquired skills in other geographical areas and possibly in other fields related to the economy of the sea.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Consorzio EDUGOV

Other partners: Agenzia Sarda per le politiche attive del lavoro (ASPAL), Associazione degli industriali del nord Sardegna (CONFINDUTRIA NORD SARDEGNA), CPMR.

Comments: Good opportunity to ensure a follow-up of the Vasco da Gama project previously supported by the CPMR in the Mediterranean. CPMR will be in charge for dissemination and capitalization activities tackling the multi-basin dimension.

Duration: 24 months

Total eligible budget of the project: € 426,375

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 47,304 (80% co-funded)

Status: submitted to the first call in May 2016, under evaluation.

Note: second call to be launched in 2018.

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VI. Development Education & Awareness Raising (DEAR - EUROPEAID)

Two proposal have been submitted under the lot 1 and 4 of the DEAR Europeaid call (concept note phase). The main objective of the Call for Proposals is to promote development education and raise public awareness on development and cooperation policies among the European public. The proposed projects must foster a growing awareness and critical understanding of the role, responsibility and lifestyles of the public in relation to an interdependent world. It should motivate their effective involvement in local and global Actions in support of the social, economic, and environmental dimensions of sustainable development.

• Lot 1-actions Led by NGOs – **BRIDGES4DEV**

Short description: BRIDGES4DEV: BRIDGing European CSO and LAs in their efforts to strengthen sustainable DEVelopment cooperation with third countries and foster public awareness with a focus on world interdependence, migration challenges, and the achievement of related SDGs on the ground.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Fundación tres culturas (ES)

Other partners: Junta de Andalucía, Fondo Andaluz de Municipios para la Solidaridad Internacional (FAMSI), Andalucía Acoge, COPPEM (Standing Committee for the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership of Local and Regional Authorities), FELCOS Fondo Umbro (Asociación sin ánimo de lucro de entes locales), Copeam (Conferenza Permanente dell'Audiovisivo Mediterraneo), CPMR, Regional Council of Tirana, The Hague Process on Refugees and Migration, NASC (Irish Immigrant Support Centre), Riga City Council, Latvian Centre for Human Rights, Kolping-Bildungswerk Württemberg e.V., Association FOR YOU (Bulgaria), Attika Region, Municipality of Athens, Associação In Loco (PT), MOSAIC (UK).

Associated entities: Institute for The Study of Societies and Knowledge-Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (Bulgaria), ADDMA (Greece).

Comments: Very good opportunity to link with the activities on decentralized cooperation, CPMR WG on external cooperation and TF on Migration. The project will develop studies, trainings, conferences, awareness campaigns and advocacy actions.

Duration: 3 years

Total eligible budget of the project: € 3M

Total eligible budget for CPMR: € 50-200.000 (90% co-funded). To be decided in the 2nd step evaluation.

Status: submitted to the first call in June 2016, under evaluation.

• Lot 4-actions Led by Local Authorities (including regions) – <u>EC2MICC</u> – Empowering Communities to Mitigate Climate Change

Short description: The project's overall objective is to develop awareness-raising and political advocacy campaigns aimed to reinforce the critical knowledge and engagement of the citizens and the different stakeholders in the regions concerned (local governments, civil society, private sector, academia, etc.) to engage and mobilize them in the fight against climate change and the localization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as key factors of EU development cooperation policies.

Partnership: Lead Partner - Catalan Agency for Development Cooperation (ES)

Other partners: Adeje municipality (Spain), Ayuntamiento de Andujar (Spain Agencia Vasca de cooperacion para el desarrollo), Area Metropolitana de Barcelona, Bekes Megyei Onkormanyzat (Hungary), Council of governors (Kenya), Csongrad Megyei Onkormanyzat (Hungary), Council of

Kymenlaakso, CPMR, Crete Region, Governo do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Larnaka (Cyprus), Puglia Region, Sardinia Region, Western Greece Region.

Comments: Very good opportunity to link with the activities on decentralized cooperation, CPMR WG on external cooperation and activities linked to sustainable developments. The project will develop, studies, trainings, conferences, awareness campaigns and advocacy actions.

Duration: 3 years

Total eligible budget of the project: €3M

Total eligible budget for CPMR: €50-200.000 (90% co-funded). To be decided in the 2nd step evaluation

Status: submitted to the first call in June 2016, under evaluation.

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VII. Other programs and future calls of interest the IMC-CPMR might participate to

ENI CBC Med

Calls to be launched in December 2016. Several projects being conceived in the frame of IMC Working groups on ICZM-Coastal management, Sustainable tourism, socio-economic benefits of Eco-system services in marine protected areas and others topics.

Interreg MED

Second call to be launched in 2017.

Possible participation in future project under the Axis 4

Interreg ADRION

Second call to be launched in 2018.

Erasmus +

Calls linked to Key action 2 and Sector skill alliance. Project ideas linked to Vasco da Gama initiative in the Mediterranean.

Others...