

### EUROPEAN CLIMATE, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT EXECUTIVE AGENCY (CINEA)

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## Synergies and Clustering between Maritime Projects (EASME/EMFF/2020/3.1.12) – SI2.850620

# "EMFF Integration, Scaling Up and Cooperation with other EU Funding Instruments Workshop"

Format: Online (Zoom). Meeting link will be provided closer to the event.

**Timing**: 09.00 – 1.00 CET 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

**Moderator:** ERINN Innovation

Registration link: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/integration">https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/integration</a>

Materials to be provided pre-workshop: Funding Landscape Analysis Results – ERINN Innovation

#### **Target Participants:**

a) Coherence Panel covering EU funding mechanisms.

- b) Case Studies of EMFF projects that have secured complementary funding across funding programmes to move knowledge/products down an impact pathway.
- c) Representatives from EMFF and other funding programmes/initiatives/projects who can share experiences of complementary funding across funding programmes to move knowledge/products down an impact pathway.

#### **Workshop Objective:**

This workshop is the first in a series of workshops being developed under the "Synergies and Clustering between Maritime Projects" initiative funded by EMFF (European Maritime and Fisheries Fund). In this workshop we will discuss specific questions on what integration, scaling up and cooperation with other EU funding instruments means. The workshop will start with a focus on a system level and explore with participants the current R&I policy drivers, the funding mechanisms available and both existing and planned efforts to support coordination going forward. We will then delve deeper to a beneficiary level through Case Study presentations. The workshop will be supported by interactive sessions to allow participants to share their own experiences. Using a co-creation and participatory approach we aim to achieve a common understanding as well as gain insights and knowledge on the following elements:

- **Clarity:** Understanding of the policy and funding landscape going forward and where there is high potential for integration and cooperation.
- **Purpose:** Clarity and consensus on the benefits of integration and cooperation at different scales.
- **Vision:** Reflection on how to enable scale up of needed solutions to achieve ambitious policy targets.
- **Barriers:** Identification of potential barriers and ideas to overcome.
- **Funding:** Insights into how to optimise the use of public funds and leverage other funding sources.
- **Best Practice:** Identification of effective methods and tools to support integration, scale-up and cooperation.

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#### Session A: Setting the Scene (30 min)

This opening session will set the scene on the planned activities within the contract, the purpose of the workshop and provide an overview of the 90 EMFF projects funded under the last programme.

- a) Introduction to contract CINEA
- b) Purpose of workshop ERINN Innovation
- c) Overview of EMFF project cohort CINEA
- d) Q&A

#### Session B: System Level: Exploration of "Integration, Scale up and Cooperation" (80 min)

Session B will begin with a scene setting on current policy drivers for R&I in the marine/maritime sectors and the funding landscape. It will be followed by an interactive session exploring with participants the opportunities for integration, scale up and cooperation across the funding system.

- a) "Setting the Scene on Policy Drivers" DG MARE and DG RTD
- b) Presentation on "Funding Landscape Analysis Results" ERINN Innovation
- c) Coherence Panel Reflections
- d) Q&A

#### Coffee Break (25 min)

## Session C: Knowledge/Beneficiary Level Exploration: Sharing Best Practices, Identification of Barriers/Challenges as well as Opportunities/Benefits (80 min)

Session C will explore how it is possible to enable high potential knowledge to be developed and brought to market by accessing different funding sources for different stages of the innovation cycle. Case studies will be presented by beneficiaries who have managed to do this effectively, sharing their positive experiences but also challenges along their journey to help identify best practises.

- a) Case Study presentations by 3-4 EMFF projects who have secured funding across funding programmes
- b) Reflections from other initiatives
- c) Facilitated discussion

#### Close Out (25 min)

- a) Conclusions
- b) Flash survey to capture participant reflections/feedback/ideas
- c) Planned next steps