



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

“Workshop on Sea-basin Dimension”

Location: Online (Zoom).

Link provided separately to registered participants.

Format: The workshop will take place in two parts, with the second being exclusively for networking

Timing: 10:00 – 13:00 CET, 7 July 2022

Moderator: Cogea

Registration link: <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/sea-basin-dimension>

Workshop Objective:

This workshop wants to explore synergies and clustering between EMFF and EMFAF projects at sea basin level. It will present success stories, information and funding options for project coordinators to consider with the objective of establishing synergies and increasing cooperation within and between sea basins.

The EMFF funded a sea-basin specific call in 2015: “EASME/EMFF/2015/1.2.1.7: Projects in the context of the Integrated Maritime Policy in the Black Sea and/or Mediterranean Sea regions”. 6 projects were funded

A new €5,441,293 million call for proposals was closed in January 2021 under the EMFAF. The call will support “Flagship projects” (pilot strategic initiatives) that strengthen sea basin-level collaboration in the Atlantic, the Black Sea and the Western Mediterranean to achieve the goals of the relevant sea basin strategy.

Besides these calls, other projects, albeit funded under non-sea-basin-specific calls, addressed a sea basin dimension nonetheless. This is the case, for example, of blue careers projects such as CMES-WestMed, MarENet, and MENTOR.

While not all EMFF-funded projects lend themselves neatly to cooperation at sea-basin level, it is believed that several of them might benefit from increased cooperation with other projects from the same or even from other sea basins.

The workshop will feature presentations from the sea-basin assistance mechanisms and Interact. Further, an interactive session will foster synergies and cooperation between project beneficiaries.

Agenda

Chair: Alessandro PITITTO, Cogea

Part 1: Sea-basin Assistance Mechanisms and funding opportunities

- 10:00-10:05** **Welcome and introduction**
Alessandro PITITTO, COGEA
- 10:05-10:15** **Policy context and landscape**
Patrizia BUSOLINI, DG MARE
- 10:15-10:25** **Assistance Mechanism for the Atlantic Action Plan**
AM Team
- 10:25-10:35** **Black Sea Assistance Mechanism**
AM Team
- 10:35-10:45** **WestMED Assistance Mechanism**
AM Team
- 10:45-10:55** **Interact**
Ivano MAGAZZÙ, Interact Programme
- 10:55-11:10** **Comfort Break**

Part 2: Knowledge sharing and networking

- 11:10-11:15** **Introduction to Part 2**
Alessandro PITITTO, Cogea
- 11:15-12:30** **Parallel breakout rooms***
1. Research & Innovation
2. Cooperation
- 12:30-12:45** **In plenary – Summary of discussions**
Reporting back from rapporteurs
- 12:45-13:00** **Formal meeting close**

* Project-beneficiaries will be assigned to breakout rooms, based on what reported on their registration forms.