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*PROJECTS FOR PROGRESS*

# UfM in short | Facts & Figures

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## 43 Countries

27 EU Member States

16 Southern & Eastern  
Mediterranean countries




**Total Population > 800 Million**

**Total GDP > 15 Trillion EUR**

# UfM in short | Objectives

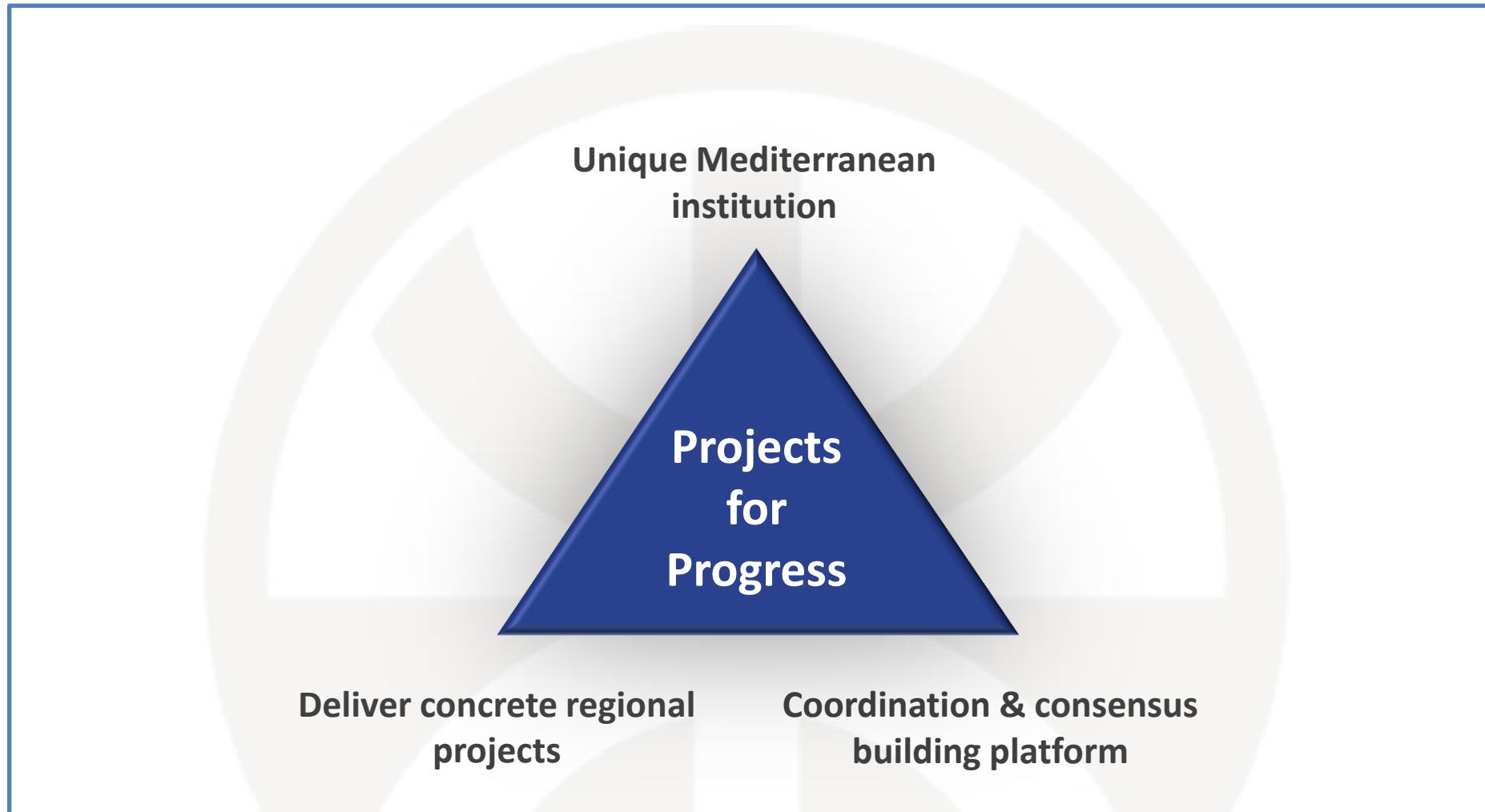
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Enhance cooperation and partnership in the Mediterranean through the implementation of concrete projects

-  Concrete regional (or sub-regional) cooperation projects OR national projects with regional impact. Using the concept of Variable Geometry.
-  Socio-economic development, regional integration, sustainable development and exchange of knowledge.
-  Synergy with other key stakeholders in the Euro-Mediterranean region.

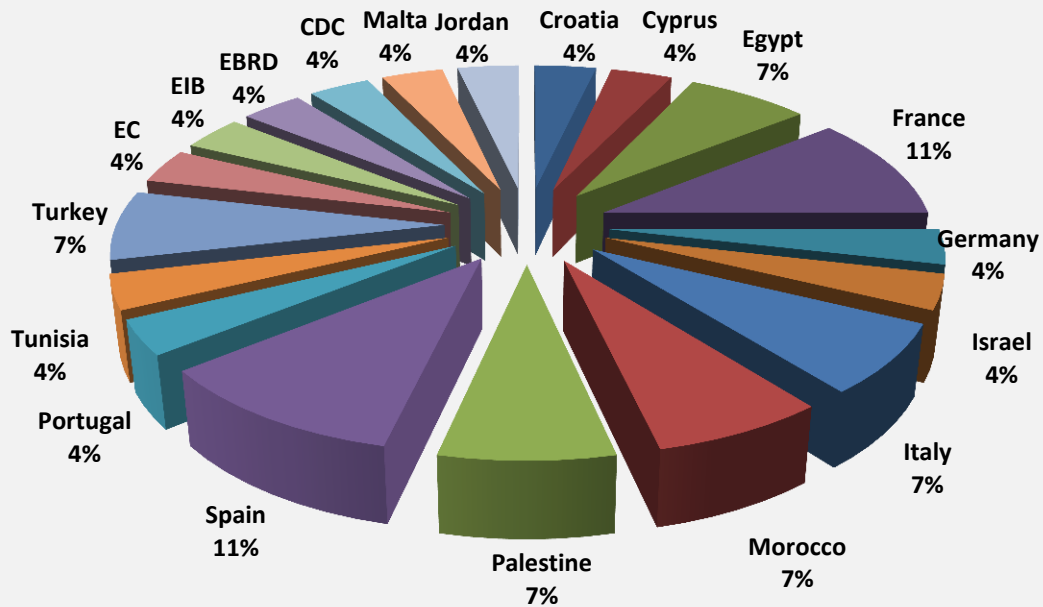
# UfM in short | Mission Triangle

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# UfM in short | Secretariat

**55 staff members  
+ than 20 nationalities & organisations**



# UfM in short | Governance



## The Co-Presidency

The UfM is chaired by two Co-Presidents, one from the North: the **European Union**, and a rotating one from the South : currently **Jordan**.

## The Senior Officials

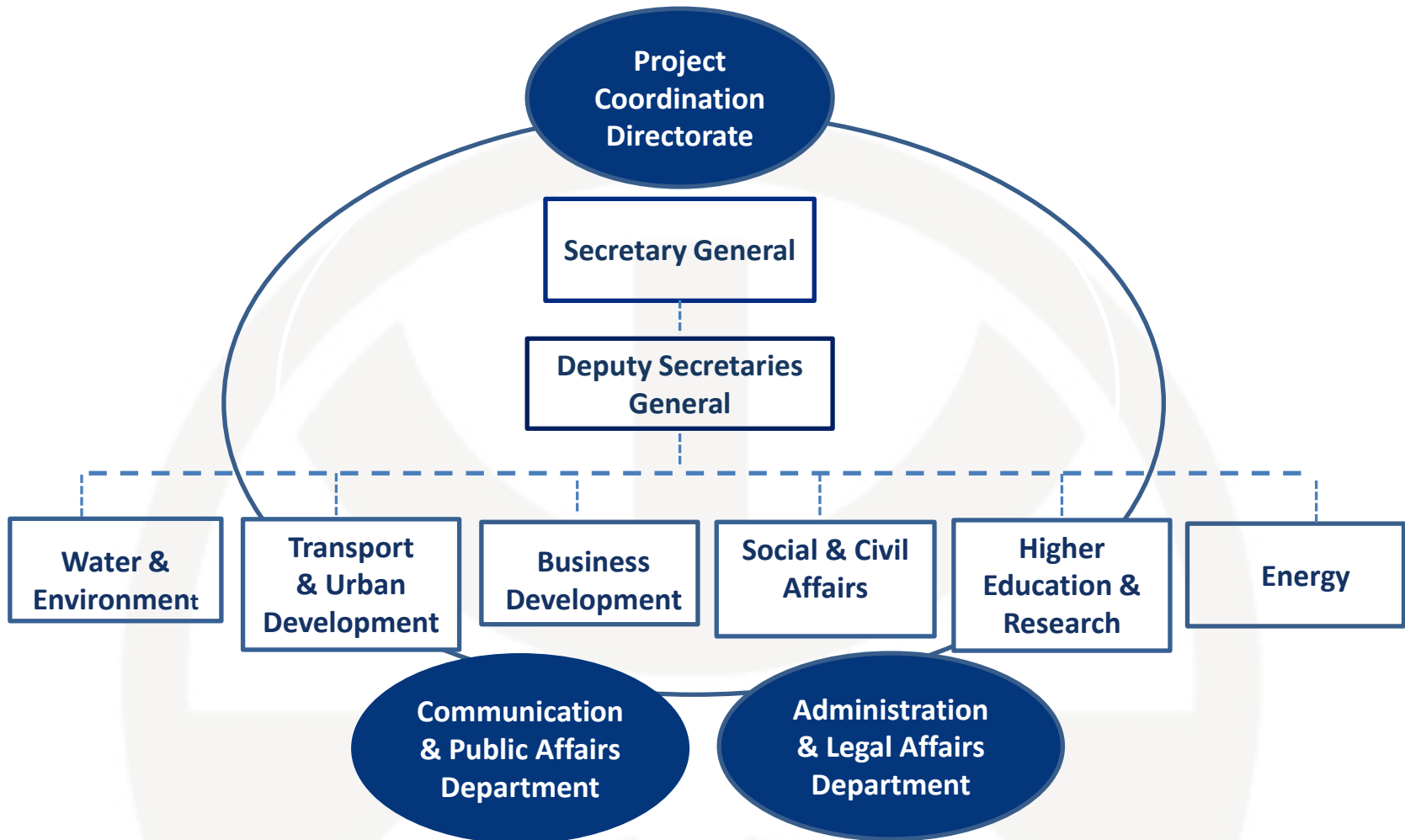
The Senior Officials of the 43 countries are mandated to deal with all aspects of the UfM.

## The Secretariat

Based in Barcelona, it is led by a Secretary General, assisted by six Deputy Secretaries General for six priority areas. It is financed by the EC and contributions from member countries.



# UfM in short | Secretariat



# UfM Projects | Priority Areas

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## DELIVER REGIONAL PROJECTS IN 6 PRIORITY AREAS

**Water &  
Environment**



**Transport & Urban  
Development**



**Social & Civil  
Affairs**



**Energy**



**Higher Education &  
Research**



**Business  
Development**





# UfM in short | Added Value



## Support of 43 countries

Through the UfM label, the project promoter gains the support of 43 countries, this awareness and visibility helps him to further raise support and mobilize partners.

## Facilitate access to finance

The UfM Secretariat acts as a one stop shop through which project promoters gain access to a strong network of donors and financial institutions, from the Mediterranean region and beyond.

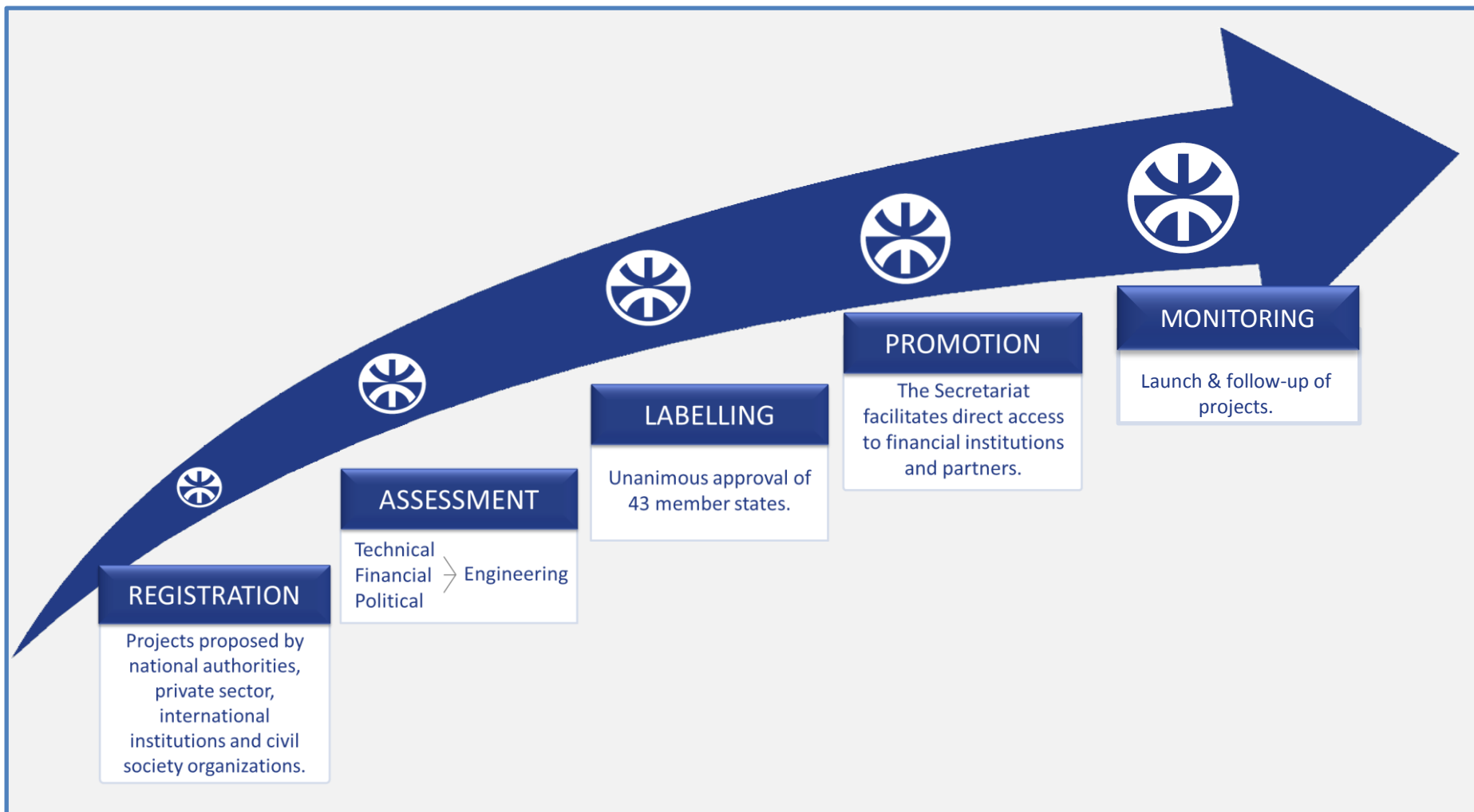
## Broker solution for complex regional projects

The UfM Secretariat's mandate allows it to overcome difficulties in regional initiatives and mobilize governments and stakeholders towards a project's success.

## Make a project idea become a reality

The Secretariat's network of Euro-Mediterranean partners as well as its in-house & external expertise help a project idea become a reality on the ground.

# UfM Projects | Project Lifecycle



# UfM projects and initiatives | Pipeline

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- ▶ **65 registered projects and initiatives**
- ▶ **Proposals from a variety of countries from the North & South (mainly from South)**
- ▶ **1/3 proposals from Governments or Public Agencies**
  - 1/3 from NGOs and Universities**
  - 1/3 from Multilateral Organisations and Private sector**
- ▶ **Diversity of sectors and scope: renewable energies, environment & water, business development, transport, urban development, mobility, training, employment, etc.**

# UfM Projects | Labelled Projects

		TOTAL COST
<b>Environment</b>	• Desalination Facility for the Gaza Strip	EUR 300 m
	• Governance & Financing for the Mediterranean Water Sector	EUR 2.5 m
	• Integrated Program for Protection of the Lake Bizerte against pollution	EUR 90 m
<b>Transport</b>	• LOGISMED-TA Training Activities	EUR 6.6 m
	• Trans-Maghreb Motorway Axis	EUR 670 m
	• Jordanian railway project as part of regional network	EUR 2 billion
<b>Higher Education</b>	• Euro-Mediterranean University of Fes	EUR 100 m
	• Euro-Mediterranean Masters & PhDs (3 projects)	EUR < 1 m
	• Higher Education on Food Security & Rural Development	EUR 1.2 m
<b>Social Affairs</b>	• Young Women as Job Creators	EUR 0.3 m
	• Employability Skills for Women	EUR 0.7 m
	• Developing Women Empowerment	EUR 1.5 m
<b>Business Development</b>	• Euro-Mediterranean development center for enterprises	EUR 5.4 m

# UfM Funding Strategy

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1

Strengthen relations with International & Bilateral Financial Institutions

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Develop long term private sector partnerships and strategic alliances

3

Develop financing tools for projects which complement the existing offer

**FINANCING  
OF UFM  
PROJECTS**

# UfM Financial Par

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## STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

▶ **European Commission**

▶ **International Financing Institutions (IFIs)**

EIB long-term partnership and new secondment

EBRD new secondment

▶ **Institutions from UfM Countries**

KFW / AFD / DFID / CDC

✓ Official missions conducted to strengthen and establish partnerships – follow up in progress

▶ **Non-UfM Institutions**

Deauville Partnership Transition Fund

✓ UfM Member of the Steering Committee

Norway

✓ From funding partner towards strategic partnership

Arab Financial Institutions

✓ Working session at the premises of the UfM with Arab Financial Institutions

## In a Nutshell | UfM is a unique platform promoting

-  **Political commitment** with 43 countries representing an overall population of 800 million citizens.
-  **Co-ownership** between the European Union and the Mediterranean countries.
-  **Variable geometry** allowing member countries to participate in projects of interest for them.
-  **Regional and sub-regional integration** through large projects to develop transport, energy and water infrastructures – variable geometry.
-  **Dynamic and flexible partnerships** with promoters from public sector, civil society and private sector.
-  **Concrete projects** to meet the needs of Mediterranean citizens.
-  **Adaptation to the current regional context** with a focus on the development of SMEs and job creation.



# Upcoming Meetings

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- ▶ **The UfM Ministerial Meeting on Transport (14 November 2013, Brussels)**



# Upcoming Meetings

## ► The UfM Ministerial Meeting on Energy (11 December 2013, Brussels)



# Upcoming Meetings in 2014

## Ministerial Meeting on Environment and Climate Change (1 semester 2014)



# UfM | Integrated Maritime Policy

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- ▶ **Focus: regional and cross-sectoral aspects of IMP planning and implementation.**
  
- ▶ **Three UfMS Divisions involved:**
  - **Environment/Water**
  - **Transport and Urban Development**
  - **Energy**

## UfM | **IMP - Main policy developments of interest**

- ▶ **Advancement of the Mediterranean region in the implementation of ICZM and MSP, as key IMP tools.**
- ▶ **Adoption in March 2013 of a EU draft proposal for a Directive establishing a framework for MSP and ICZM.**
- ▶ **The organisation of the UfM Ministerial meetings on Transport (November 2013), Energy (December 2013), and Environment and Climate Change (1<sup>st</sup> semester 2014)**

## **UfM | possible way forward at regional level**

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**UfM = an opportunity for IMP advancement**



- **Moving from a national to a cross-national dimension;**
- **Cross-sectoral planning; and/or**
- **Implementation via concrete projects of regional relevance, also at pilot scale**





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