



#### WestMED National Event – Italy

**Italian National Hub and National Coordinator** 

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The Initiative for the sustainable development of the blue economy in the western Mediterranean

## The WestMED Initiative

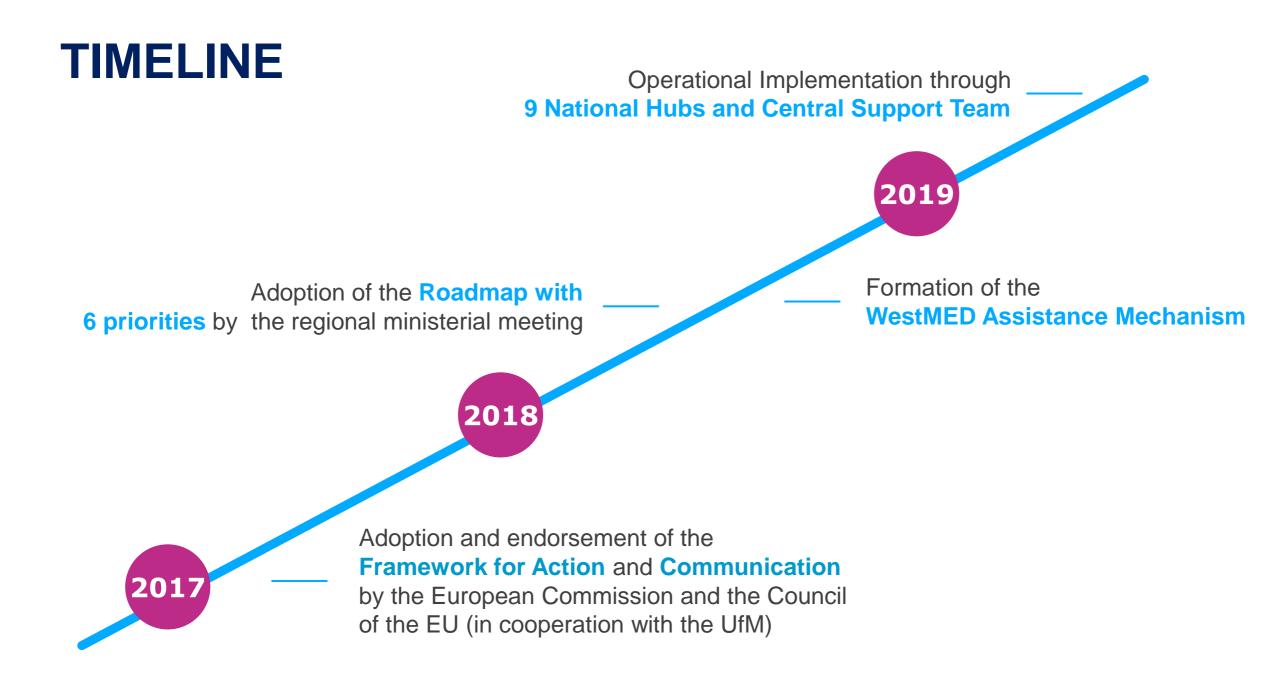
An innovative cooperation instrument between nations, regions and people of the western Mediterranean to facilitate the Blue Economy

## COUNTRIES

| ALGERIA | MAURITANIA |
|---------|------------|
| FRANCE  | MOROCCO    |
| ITALY   | PORTUGAL   |
| LIBYA   | SPAIN      |
| MALTA   | TUNISIA    |



a stronger cooperation is essential between all stakeholders, on both sides of the Mediterranean, to harnass the full potential of the blue economy in this region



## **OBJECTIVES**



## A safer and more secure maritime space





## A smart and resilient blue economy

#### A better governance of the sea

## PRIORITIES



Maritime safety and security





Environment, biodiversity and climate change

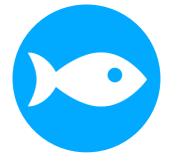
Maritime clusters and networks



Skills development and circulation



Sustainable tourism, transport and fight against pollution



Fisheries and Aquaculture

## WestMED Assistance Mechanism

Operational Management (support) structure to facilitate implementation of the Initiative

## WestMED Initiative

Assistance Mechanism and stakeholder driven projects that contribute to the development of a sustainable blue economy in the WestMED region

## STRUCTURE

#### **Steering Committee** EC/ UfM/ EASME/ National Coordinators/ Consortium

#### **Overall management** EASME/ EC/ Consortium

#### Operational Management Consortium

## **OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT**

#### **Central Team**

- steer and spearhead the implementation of activities,
- take responsibility for the overall management and control for the quality of the work delivered

#### **National Hubs**

- mobilise and liaise with local and national stakeholders,
- · facilitate the local implementation of activities

#### **Expert Pools**

Provide hands-on expertise:

Project funding and development

Events and Communication Monitoring of funds and projects Management







| Ensure permanent<br>availability of the<br>Assistance Mechanism<br>at a national level            | Liaise with relevant<br>stakeholders, incl<br>national/ regional<br>authorities responsible for<br>westmed related<br>cooperation programs                                | Identify and promote<br>funding opportunities<br>for projects in<br>accordance with the<br>roadmap & national<br>priorities.                      | Assist and participate<br>in the organization of<br>national and<br>international events<br>(e.g. hackathons) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Network to support the<br>development of the<br>initiative<br>(roadshows,<br>conference presence) | Collect information on<br>business development<br>opportunities, public<br>funding and private<br>investment opportunities.<br>(incl. info for EASME<br>maritime datahub) | Advise and assist<br>stakeholders in<br>setting up projects<br>and feasibility studies<br>and find partners<br>across the National<br>Hub Network | Bring technical<br>expertise to the<br>preparation of<br>project-proposals for<br>grants/ calls               |

**NATIONAL HUBS** 

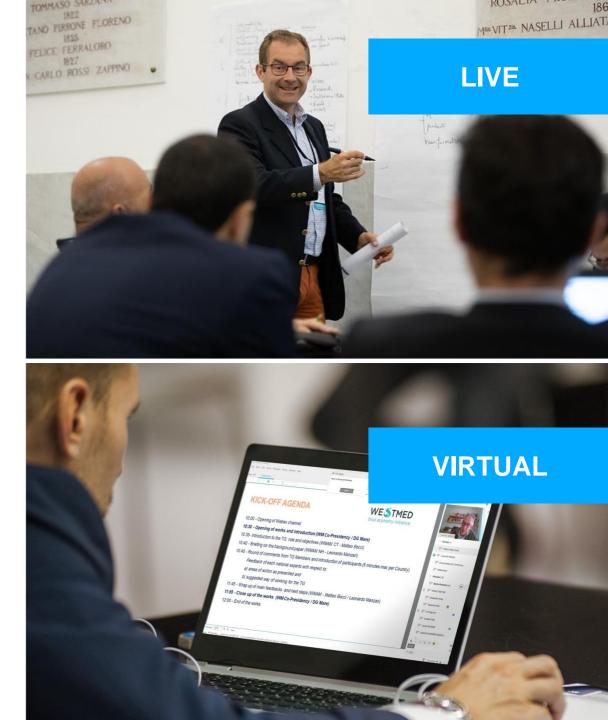
## SHAPING THE FUTURE

### **Stakeholder Theme Discussions**

Sustainable transport/ alternative fuels/ green shipping

Tourism accelerator

- Sustainable and Innovative aquaculture
- Innovation platform on Maritime Technologies



## WE CAN HELP...

#### If you have a concrete project, to...

- Identify possible funding opportunities
- Connect with possible partners across the National Hub Network
- Structure your project(idea)
- Provide argumented proofreading of technical dossiers and budget proposals for official submissions

#### If you have expertise, to...

- Connect with possible projects across the WestMED National Hub Network
- Provide a platform for helping to shape future WestMED developments (stakeholder meetings)

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# SOME SUPPORTED PROJECTS

## Technical Group SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT & GREEN SHIPPING

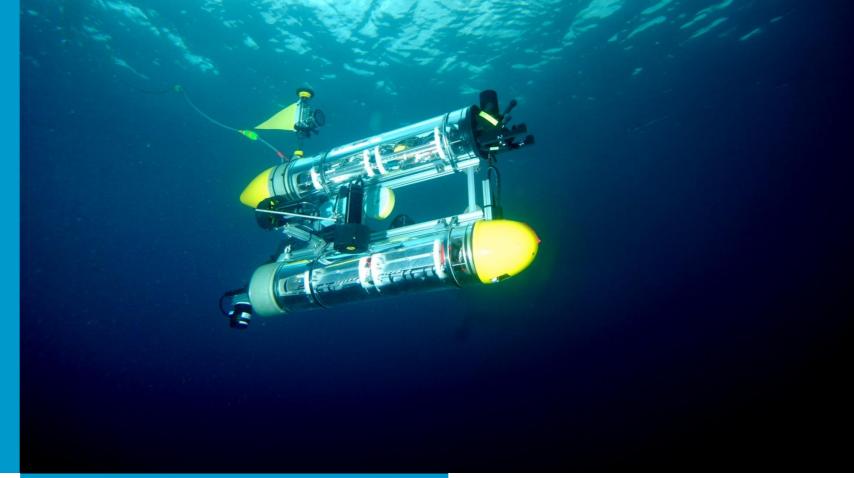




## **BLUE ROSES**

Customers will be enabled to visit underwater sites by piloting a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) from a leisure boat, ground control room or web app.

By integrating robotics and IoT (Internet of Things), these new services will result in creating job opportunities and new business models.



#### **WESTMED SUPPORT**

- Project idea formulation to fit call specifications
- Consortium partner search

#### COUNTRIES

| Italy  | Malta      |
|--------|------------|
| Spain  | Tunisia    |
| Greece | Algeria    |
| Norway | Mauritania |

**EU CONTRIBUTION** € 834.178

## FUNDING SOURCE

## NewTechAqua

1 January 2020 – 31 december 2023

NewTechAqua intends to expand and diversify EU production of finfish, molluscs and microalgae by developing and validating technologically-advanced, resilient and sustainable new solutions.



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Malta Algeria Italy France Tunisia Spain Egypt Portugal Israel Germany Tokelau Greece The Netherlands United Kingdom EU CONTRIBUTION € 5.990.172 FUNDING SOURCE

H2020

#### **ODYSSEA** 1 June 2017 – 30 November 2021

ODYSSEA will develop, operate and demonstrate an interoperable and cost-effective platform that fully integrates networks of observing and forecasting systems across the Mediterranean basin, addressing both the open sea and the coastal zone.



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#### **EU CONTRIBUTION**

€ 8.398.716 **FUNDING SOURCE** H2020

## West MoPoCo

The Project supports the western mediterranean coastal states in strenghtening their cooperation in the field of preparedness for and response to oil and Highly Noxious Substances (HNS) marine pollution and in improving the quality and interoperability of their response capacities.



Western Mediterranean Region Marine Oil and HNS Pollution Cooperation

#### COUNTRIES

| France  | Malta          |
|---------|----------------|
| Algeria | Morocco        |
| Italy   | Tunisia        |
| Malta   | United Kingdom |
|         |                |

#### **EU CONTRIBUTION**

€ 651.000

#### **FUNDING SOURCE**

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# SOME FUNDING PROGRAMS

## **CONTINUOUS SCREENING**

#### CALLS/ GRANTS/ TENDERS/ PROPOSALS

| LIFE        | EU Funding programme for the Environment and Climate Action                |
|-------------|--|
| H2020       | Horizon 2020/ Research and Innovation Programme                            |
| DG MARE     | Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries                     |
| EMFF        | European Maritime Fisheries Fund   |
| ENI CBC MED | European Neighbourhood Instrument/ Cross Border Cooperation/ Mediterranean |
| INTERREG    | Atlantic/ Mediterranean / POCTEP/ POCTEFA/ SUDOE/ EUROPE                   |
| ERDF        | European Regional Development Fund   |
| COSME       | EU programme Competitiveness for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises        |
| CEF         | Connecting Europe Facilty (transport, energy and digital projects)         |
| ERASMUS +   | EU programme for education, training, youth and sport                      |
| CHAFEA      | Consumers, Health, Agriculture and Food Executive Agency                   |
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## SOME (OPEN) OPPORTUNITIES

Last updated: June 2020

### **EMFF**

#### **European Maritime and Fisheries Fund**

- Fostering sustainable fisheries and the conservation of marine biological resources
- Contributing to food security in the Union through competitive and sustainable aquaculture and markets
- Enabling the growth of a sustainable blue economy and fostering prosperous coastal communities
- Strengthening international ocean governance and enabling safe, secure, clean and sustainably managed seas and oceans

**Open call**: Blue accelerator scheme for the Atlantic ports of tomorrow **Deadline:** 10-09-2020

**Open call:** Maritime Spatial Planning in EU or EU outermost regions **Deadline**: 10-09-2020

https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/news/emff-launches-two-calls-one-dedicated-atlantic-portstomorrow-and-one-boost-maritime-spatial

## European Maritime and Fisheries Fund

(EMFF)

Proposed Budget 2021-2027: € 6.15 B + 500 million recovery package (announcement June 2, 2020)

## **DG MARE**

Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries is responsible for the policy area of fisheries, the Law of the Sea and Maritime Affairs.



**European Commission** Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

**Open call**: Strengthening regional cooperation in the area of fisheries data collection **Deadline:** 31-07-2020 <u>https://ec.europa.eu/fisheries/press/call-proposals-mare202008-strengthening-regional-cooperation-area-fisheries-data-collection\_en</u>

**Open call:** Study on Weighing of Fisheries Products **Deadline:** 09-07-2020 <u>https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=6206</u>

## **ENI-CBC** Capitalization Call

#### European Neighbourhood Instrument

The objective of the call for capitalisation projects is to foster the transfer, exploitation and mainstreaming of knowledge and results developed under different Euro-Mediterranean initiatives, including the ENPI/ENI CBC Med Programmes, the Union for the Mediterranean and the Interreg MED Programme.

## In light of Covid-19/ global economic downturn, applicants are encouraged to focus their project on:

- Job and business creation
- Transition to carbon-neutral economies
- Efficient delivery of social care services
- Support to the most vulnerable people





Budget: € 11 M Deadline: 28-07-2020

http://www.enicbcmed.eu/eni-cbc-med-programme-launches-new-call-proposals-eu11-million-finance-capitalisation-projects

## H2020 Research and Innovation Programme

**Open call**: Societal challenge 3 : Secure, clean and efficient energy

Renewable energy solutions for energy system level implementation (H2020-RES-2018-2020)/ Efficient combination of concentrated solar power (CSP) and desalination

Opening: 05 May 2020 Deadline: 01 September 2020



Budget: € 10 M

## **CEF** Connecting Europe Facility

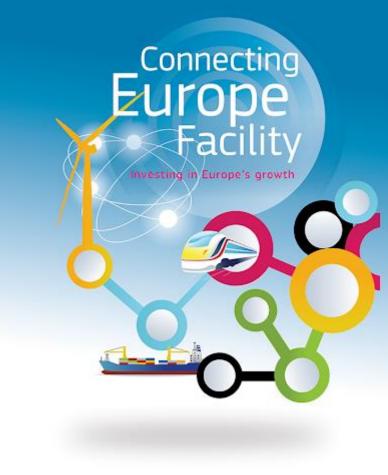
#### **Investment in infrastructure:**

- Energy (4.7 B €)
- Telecommunications (0.5 B €)
- Transportation (23.7 B €)

Open calls: n/a

**Future calls**: Transport Blending Facility Call – Deployment of alternative fuels

https://ec.europa.eu/inea/en/connecting-europe-facility/cef-transport/apply-funding/blendingfacility



Budget: € 30.4 B. / INEA manages € 28.7 B



Indicative dates for 2020 and relevant only for traditional projects

#### **Environment sub-programme**

#### Nature and biodiversity | Environment and Resource Efficiency | Environmental Governance and Information

- April 2020: Call open for traditional projects
- June 2020: Submission of concept notes
- October 2020: Pre-selection of concept notes invited to submit full proposals
- February 2021:Submission of full proposals
- June 2021: Information about results
- September 2021: start of the projects

#### **Climate action sub-programme**

#### Climate change mitigation | climate change adaptation| Governance and Information

- April 2020: Call open for traditional projects
- September 2020: Submission of full Proposals
- February 2021: Information about results
- June 2021: start of the projects



The European Commission organized an information and networking day on the 2020 LIFE call for project proposals: 30 April 2020 https://eulife2019.b2match.io/

See stream from that day: https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/life-infoday-2019-30-04-19

## **ERASMUS +**

## EU programme for education, training, youth and sport



- Reducing unemployment, especially among young people
- Promoting adult learning, especially for new skills and skills required by the labour market.
- Encouraging young people to take part in European democracy
- Supporting innovation, cooperation and reform
- Reducing early school leaving
- Promoting cooperation and mobility with the EU's partner countries

**Open calls**: n/a **Future calls**: n/a

## **CHAFEA**

## Consumer, Health, Agriculture and Food Executive Agency

- 2 calls per year. Co-financing up to 80%
- The program covers a wide range of issues, from food health campaigns to specific sectoral markets
- Focus on campaigns to promote different quality schemes and food labels, including geographical certifications, quality seals, etc



# CHAFEA

**Open calls**: n/a **Future calls**: n/a

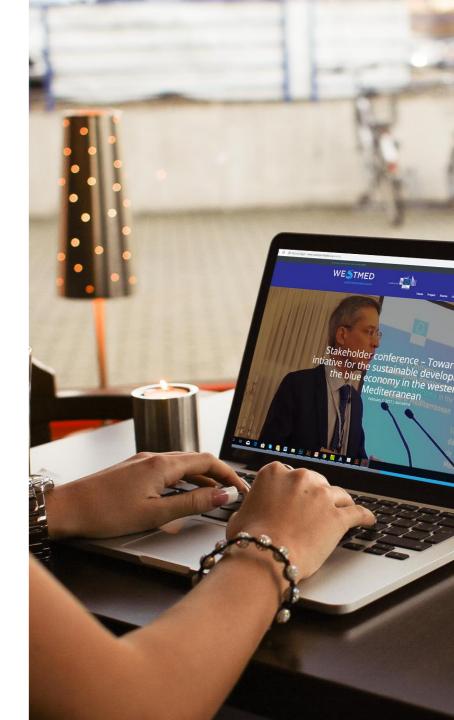
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