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The EUSAIR Strategy – Pillar 2 Focus

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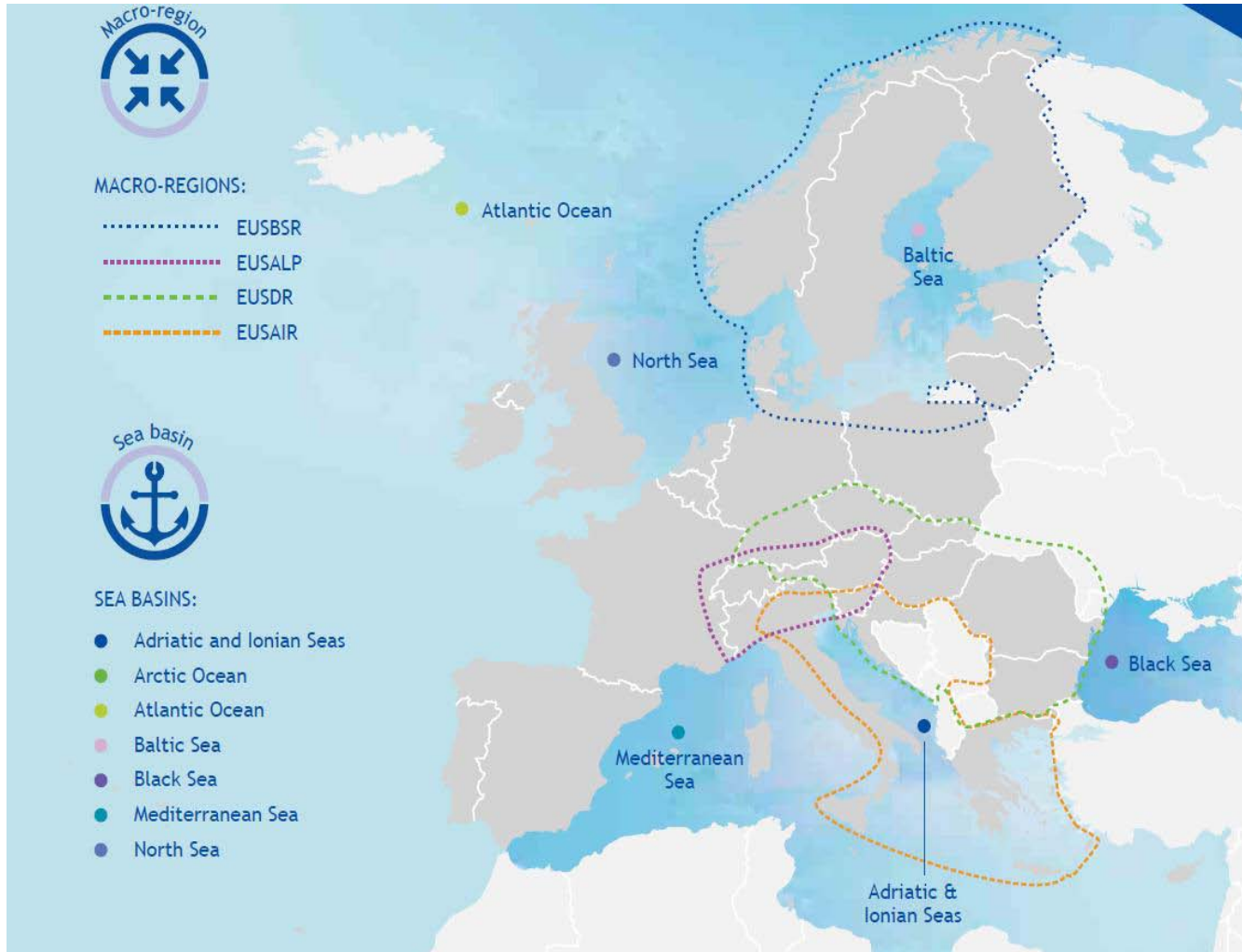
EUSAIR Strategy

The EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR) builds on the Maritime Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Seas adopted by the European Commission in 2012.

This strategy aims at promoting the economic and social well-being in the Adriatic and Ionian region, by fostering employment, improving its appeal, competitiveness and connectivity while protecting the environment and ensuring the safety and balance of the sea-coast ecosystems.

The European Council endorsed the EUSAIR in October 2014

EU Macro-Regional Strategies



EUSAIR – Involved Countries



EUSAIR: 4 Pillars





EUSAIR Pillar Themes

| Main pillars | Blue Growth | Connecting the Region | Environmental Quality | Sustainable Tourism |
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| Lead countries | Greece and Montenegro | Italy and Serbia | Slovenia, and Bosnia and Herzegovina | Croatia and Albania |
| Main themes covered | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue technologies • Fisheries and aquaculture • Maritime and marine governance and services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maritime transport • Intermodal connections to the hinterland • Energy networks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The marine environment • Pollution of the sea • Transnational terrestrial habitats and biodiversity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A diversified tourism offer • Sustainable and responsible tourism management |



Focus on EUSAIR Pillar 2: «Connecting the Region»

Pillar 2 is focused on 3 topics:

- 1) Maritime Transport
- 2) Intermodal connection with the hinterland
- 3) Energy network

Specific objectives of the pillar are:

- ✓ Maritime safety and security
- ✓ Competitive intermodal port system
- ✓ Reliable transport networks
- ✓ Intermodal connections with the hinterland
- ✓ Well-interconnected and well-functioning internal energy



Focus on EUSAIR Pillar 2: «Connecting the Region»

The Italian Ministry of Infrastructures and Transport is the central administration in charge for the development of Pillar 2 “Connecting the Region” of the EUSAIR strategy for aspects related to: **maritime transport and intermodal connections with the hinterland.**

Mr. Antonio Cancian, President and CEO of RAM, **has been appointed operative focal point** on behalf of the Italian Ministry of Infrastructures and Transport for the Transport Pillar 2.



Focus on EUSAIR Pillar 2: «Connecting the Region»

Five meetings of the TSG for the Pillar 2 have been co-chaired by Mr. Cancian in 2015 and 2016.

Within the Italian Ministry of Infrastructures and Transport a **working group involving the different General Directorates** was created for the implementation of the EUSAIR strategy.

The working group elaborated a proposal, in accordance with Serbian Pillar Coordinator, indicating the priority actions and the sub actions for each topics which have been endorsed by the TSG2 as follows.

EUSAIR Pillar 2: Priority Actions

| Topics | Priority Actions | Priority Sub-actions |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Maritime transport | Improving and harmonizing traffic monitoring and management | Enhancement and simplification of the existing ADRIREP Mandatory Ship Reporting system and proposal for the amendment of the IMO Res. MSC n.139(76). Implementation of an integrated Adriatic and Ionian common VTMIS, the related alerting system and the common training and certification schemes of the operators. |
| | Developing ports, optimizing port interfaces, infrastructures and procedures/operations | 1) Adoption of a common framework for the development of Single Window systems (Directive 2010/65/EU) allowing exchange of information between the ship and the onshore competent authorities and operators for streamlining administrative procedures (e.g. customs clearance, phytosanitary controls, etc.). |
| | | 2) Adoption of a common framework for the development of internal and external port infrastructures (road/rail/berths/equipment) to support the ports' intermodality and related SSS transport flows by aligning them with TEN-T requirements. |
| | 3) Adoption of a common framework for the development of green shipping solutions as the necessary facilities for bunkering with alternative fuels (LNG) and cold ironing in Adriatic-Ionian ports. | |

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| Intermodal connections to the hinterland | Developing the Western Balkans transport network | Supporting the TEN-T extension (Networks and Corridors) to the WB - taking in to account the so-called "Berlin process" - by identifying and developing infrastructure projects aimed at complementing the networks with intermodal and strategic links improving the connectivity in the Adriatic Ionian Region. |
| | Developing motorways of the sea | Identifying transnational IT tools for tracking and tracing of ITUs using MoS in the Adriatic Ionian Region, supporting intermodality through its integrated with inland terminals and port / inland operators and improving last mile connections. |
| | Cross-border facilitation | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adoption of common standardized administrative procedures at border crossings (e.g. for security, phytosanitary and custom controls) and implementation of small and target scale investments and joint training programmes. 2. Facilitation and implementation of rail services (passengers and freight) and simplification of crossing border procedures among Member State and non UE countries). |



EUSAIR Pillar 2: Priority Actions

Cross-Cutting Issues

(Specific objective: To improve the governance and build an efficient institutional and administrative capacity)

Priority Actions

Removing of barriers for the mobilization of cross-border investments in transport networks by the definition of agreements and memorandums of understanding

Development of a joint lifelong learning plan, training tools and methodologies



EUSAIR Pillar 2: Links with other Pillars

Pillar 2 should be considered in the framework of the other policy fields, in line with the integrated approach encouraged by the Strategy. Pillar 2 is a prerequisite for other 3 pillars.

For example:

- harmonization of maritime traffic monitoring and information system will help development of fisheries and aquaculture;
- intermodal transports will reduce environmental impact;
- better transport connections are a must for tourism development, particularly in insular and remote areas.



Pillar 2: Potential Links with Pillar 1 Blue Growth

| Pillar 2 Topics | Pillar 2 Priority Actions | Link with the Actions of Pillar 1 “Blue Growth” |
|--------------------|---|---|
| Maritime transport | Improving and harmonizing traffic monitoring and management | |
| | Developing ports, optimizing port interfaces, infrastructures and procedures/operations | <p><u>Topic 1 Blue technologies</u> <u>Action:</u> Research & Development & Investments platforms on green sea mobility, deep sea resources, biosecurity and biotechnologies <i>e.g. Development of research platform for green shipping</i></p> <p><u>Topic 3 Maritime and marine governance and services</u> <u>Action:</u> Governance of Maritime space <i>e.g. Implementing coordinated Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP)</i></p> |



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| Intermodal connections to the hinterland | Developing the Western Balkans transport network | |
| | Developing motorways of the sea | |
| | Cross-border facilitation | <p><u>Topic 1 Blue technologies</u> <u>Action:</u> Macroregional cluster development e.g. “Green shipbuilding clusters in the Adriatic and Ionian Seas” to support the establishment of trans-boundary clusters on green shipbuilding and new materials.</p> |



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| Cross-Cutting Issues | Removing of barriers for the mobilization of cross-border investments in transport networks by the definition of agreements and memorandums of understanding | |
| | Development of a joint lifelong learning plan, training tools and methodologies | <p><u>Topic 1 Blue technologies</u> <u>Action:</u> Researchers Mobility e.g “Blue technology ‘brain circulation’ in the Adriatic and Ionian Region” to support researcher mobility in the areas of blue technology</p> <p><u>Topic 3 Maritime and marine governance and services</u> <u>Action:</u> Maritime Skills e.g Developing networks of academies and training institutes on maritime profiles/professions</p> |



Thank you!

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