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## INFO DAY “Adriatic Ionian Youth own their future”

### AGENDA

10<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Meeting Venue: Sala della Costituzione della Provincia di Campobasso, Via Milano 19-21 (86100) CAMPOBASSO

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Working languages: Italian, English

AI-NURECC is a 18 months initiative of the key stakeholders of the Adriatic Ionian regions: the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (**CRPM**), coordinator of the initiative, the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion (**AIE**), the Forum of Adriatic and Ionian Cities (**FAIC**), the Forum of the Adriatic and Ionian Chambers of Commerce (**Forum AIC**), and the Association of Universities of the Adriatic-Ionian area (**UniAdriion**).

Based on their long-lasting experience in topics fully in line with the thematic pillars of the European Union Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (**EUSAIR**), partners have decided to pool forces with the aim of supporting the implementation of the EUSAIR and its action plan, ensuring deep and spread territorial coverage, at regional and local level.

The Adriatic Ionian Euroregion is organising two events aimed at boosting discussion into the establishment of a framework for Adriatic-Ionian cross-cooperation in the youth field. The first event, the **Info Day “Adriatic Ionian Youth own their Future”** represents a first step towards a more structured and integrated dialogue between the EUSAIR institutional and technical structures and the Adriatic Ionian Youth. By raising awareness about Youth policies and related opportunities, the event is intended to facilitate youth participation in the creation, articulation and implementation of the EUSAIR. In this context, Youth Organisations and young people from the 8 EUSAIR countries are provided an outstanding opportunity to network and discuss their views about EUSAIR topics, and, more importantly, to share their perspectives with relevant decision-makers and stakeholders. The Info Day is also an occasion for presenting the second event, the “Adriatic Ionian Youth Organisations Forum”, which will see Youth Organisations as protagonists of an innovative approach towards cooperation and territorial cohesion.

The two events will reinforce synergies between Adriatic Ionian local and regional, national and supranational actors, with the ultimate goal of fostering the capitalisation of EUSAIR macro-regional results.

## Objectives:

- to provide a first networking occasion to AI Youth Organisations for exchanging experiences and discuss common challenges and solutions in a European perspective;
- to provide a setting for stimulating the dialogue between AI stakeholders as to how to effectively involve AI youth in the EUSAIR priorities and political agenda;
- to raise AI youth awareness of European policies, strategies and financial opportunities for youth cooperation in the Adriatic-Ionian area;
- to promote and pave the way to the AI Youth Organisations Forum and discuss a way of filling the existing gap among AI young generations and the EUSAIR institutional and technical structures.

## Target Groups:

Young people representing Youth Organisations of the 8 EUSAIR countries, secondary schools students, undergraduate and graduate students, artists and young professionals, decision-makers, national, regional and local authorities and other EUSAIR stakeholders.

## Agenda

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**9:00 – 9:15**     *Registration of participants*

**9:15 – 9:30**     *Institutional Greetings*

Mr. Donato TOMA, President of the Molise Region and Member of the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion Executive Committee

Mr. Antonio BATTISTA, Mayor of the City of Campobasso and President of the Province of Campobasso

Ms. Anna BOSCO, Presidency of the Forum of Adriatic and Ionian Cities, City Councillor to European Policies of the City of Vasto

Mr. Giuseppe SCIACCA, Conference of Peripheral and Maritime Regions (CPMR), Lead Partner of AI-NURECC

**9:30 – 09:40**     *Introduction*

Mr. Francesco COCCO, Secretary General of the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion

Ms. Maria Luisa ESPOSITO, Project Officer of the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion

**9:40 – 10:20**     *Skype call with the European Commission*

Ms. Joanna MOULIOU-NISSLER, Policy Officer, Unit 1. 1. “Macro-regions, Transnational/Interregional Cooperation, IPA, Enlargement”, Dir D – European Territorial Cooperation, Macro-regions, Interreg and Programme Implementation I, DG Regional and Urban Policy (DG REGIO), European Commission.

Mr. Albert SESE-BALLART, Policy Officer – Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Western Balkans Platform coordinator, Unit 3. “International

Cooperation”, Dir C – Innovation, International Cooperation and Sport, DG Education and Culture (DG EAC), European Commission.

Ms. Anita-Toien JOHANSEN, Policy Officer – Youth policy with the support of Erasmus +, Unit 3. “Youth, Volunteer Solidarity and Traineeships Office”, Dir B – Youth, Education and Erasmus+, DG Education and Culture (DG EAC), European Commission.

**10:20 – 11:30 Panel 1: EU opportunities for Adriatic Ionian Youth – Presentation of existing Youth Cooperation projects in the Adriatic Ionian region**

Ms. Katarina ŽIVANOVIĆ, International Cooperation Coordination, NOVI SAD European Youth Capital 2019

Mr. Francesco BUONCOMPAGNI, Executive Officer of the Forum of Adriatic and Ionian Cities (FAIC), Adriatic Ionian Macroregion Youth Games

Ms. Dora BEI, Youth Director, General Secretariat for Youth, Hellenic Ministry of Education and Research, President of the Biennial of Young Artists of Europe and the Mediterranean (BJCEM)

Mr. Ismail ĆIDIĆ, President of the Student Parliament of the International University of Sarajevo

Mr. Domenico DE CESARE, Coordinator of ReAttiva – Regione Europa Attiva – Italy

**11:30 – 11:45 Keynote speech: Stimulating youth to take ownership of their future in the EUSAIR**

Mr. Giovanni DI STASI, Former President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, Former President of the Molise Region

**11:45 – 13:00 Panel 2: EU Institutions and the future of the EUSAIR Agenda for Youth**

Mr. Miloš MUGOŠA, EUSAIR Facility Point, Government of Montenegro, European Integration Office – Montenegro

Ms. Anja FORTUNA, President for International Cooperation – National Youth Council of Slovenia

Mr. Đjuro BLANUŠA, Secretary General of the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) – Albania

Ms. Serena ANGIOLI, Head of Programmes Area, National Youth Agency – Italy [TBC]

Mr. Bernard DOSTI, Vice Rector University of Tirana

**Conclusions**