



## “Towards a renovated Regional Strategy for the Mediterranean +25”

Webinar – November 24, 2020

09.30-13.00

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Since the Barcelona Process was launched, large-scale international projects as well as a great number of local and regional initiatives have been contributing to create a consolidated network of cooperation, which has directly impacted the lives of millions of citizens. In this context, multi-level governance has been foreseen a key aspect for the successful impact of cooperation in the Mediterranean Region.

*How does multi-level governance contribute to shape effective cooperation experiences in the Mediterranean Region? What would an overview of relevant Euro-Mediterranean governance instruments be like in order to improve the participation of territorial stakeholders in the definition and implementation of the policies? Which are the lessons learned and how can we reinforce the impact of governance instruments to strengthen multi-level governance in order to address the common challenges of the Mediterranean Region? How should territorial cooperation and related programmes be addressed in terms of Euro-Mediterranean cooperation? Assuming that territories, regions and cities are the places where main challenges must be faced, what instruments would be the best for helping regional and local politicians to address them?*

**The Med Cooperation Alliance**, as a unique network of networks facilitating transnational multi-level governance in the Mediterranean proposes **a specific high-level on-line event aiming at promoting, exchanging and proposing successful governance instruments as key assets for true cooperation impacts for the future of the Mediterranean.**

### **Objectives of the event:**

- Contribute and impact the current debates on how to recover from the COVID-19 Crisis in the Med basin, with a concrete focus on mid-term and long-term issues, and with the opportunity offered by the 25 years of the Barcelona Process.
- Orientate European and Mediterranean territorial cooperation programmes, mainly Interreg Med and Next Med, towards the better integration of solutions at territorial levels.
- Associate key actors to strengthen the Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance network & enhance complementarities such as with the ARLEM.
- Present the added value of the Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance regarding macro-regionalization processes in the Mediterranean.

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### 09.30-11.00 – INSTITUTIONAL SESSION

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#### “THE POLITICAL COMMITMENT OF THE MEDITERRANEAN COOPERATION ALLIANCE TO COPE WITH THE MAIN CHALLENGES IN THE MED”

*Moderation by Elodie Nunes, CPMR Intermediterranean Commission*

- *How can sub-state administrations be reliable allies to the global agenda (2030 Agenda notably) and in the current state of a sustainable recovery and future for the Mediterranean?*
- *At governance level, what are the main challenges to cope with to fulfil these objectives? How can the Mediterranean Cooperation Alliance be used as a concrete tool to activate multi-level governance dynamics in this sense?*
  - o **Representative** of the Union for the Mediterranean
  - o **Representative** of the Euro-Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly (ARLEM)
  - o **Nello Musumeci**, President of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission, President of Sicily
  - o **Guillaume Cros**, Presidency of the Euroregion Pyrénées Méditerranée, Vice-President of Occitanie
  - o **Nikola Dobroslavić**, President of the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion, President of the Dubrovnik-Neretva County
  - o **Mohamed Idaomar**, President of MedCities, Mayor of Tetouan

\* speakers to be confirmed

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## 11.00-11.30 – POLICY SESSION

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### “TERRITORIAL COOPERATION, GOVERNANCE, LOCAL AND REGIONAL AUTHORITIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN”

*Introduction by Alfonso González Bondía, Generalitat de Catalunya*

- **Andrea Noferini**, Presentation of the policy paper conclusions and key messages, Autonomous University of Barcelona, Pompeu Fabra University

## 11.30-12.45 – DEBATE

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### “NETWORKING FOR MEDITERRANEAN COOPERATION: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES TOWARDS A MORE RESILIENT MED BASIN”

*Moderation by Xavier Bernard-Sans, Euroregion Pyrénées-Méditerranée*

- *What role does multi-level governance play in the sound implementation of territorial cooperation in the Mediterranean basin?*
- *How can these dynamics support a recovery and transition of the basin towards more multi-level governance-led and integrated development to ensure sustainability?*
  - **Cristina Bezes-Feldmeyer**,\* Agence Nationale pour la Cohésion des Territoires (ANCT), French Monitoring Committee of Interreg MED
  - **Anna Catte**,\* General Director of the Managing Authority of ENI CBC MED
  - **Aouatif Derrous**, Vice-President of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission, Regional Councilor to the Rabat-Salé-Kénitra Region
  - **Imen Ouardani**, Deputy Mayor of Sousse, MedCities
  - **Francesco Cocco**, Representative for the AI-NURECC initiative, Secretary General of the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion

## 12.45-13.00 – WRAP-UP & CONCLUSIONS

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- Wrap-up by **Josep Canals**, Secretary General, MedCities

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*Logistical information on how to connect will follow soon!*

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