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Webinar

A more connected EU by enhancing mobility

“Improving mobility in the Adriatic Ionian area through sustainable infrastructures. The Adriatic-Ionian Cycle Route”

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■ EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR) - 2014

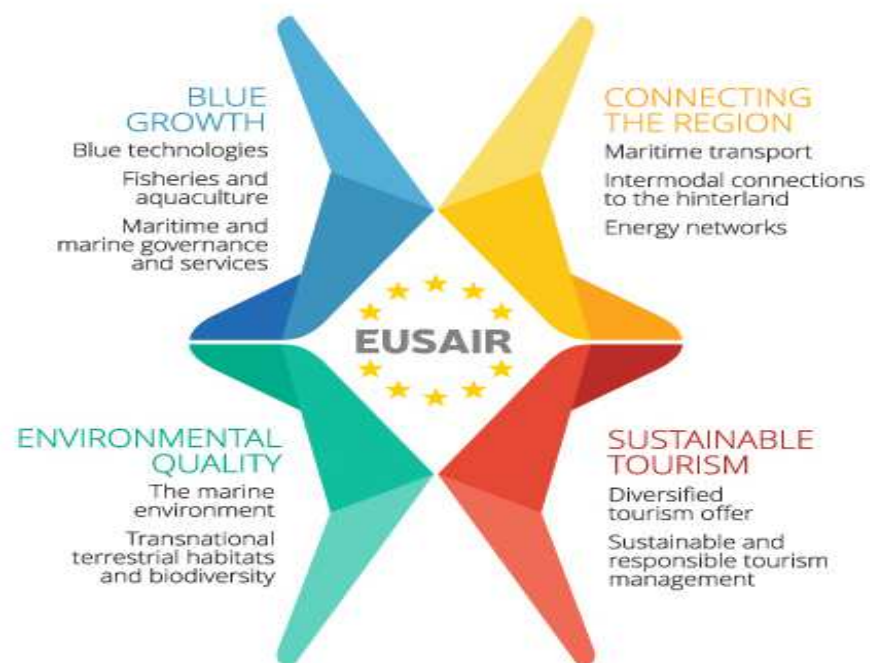
- ❖ 9 Countries: **4 UE** (Italia, Croatia, Slovenia , Greece) and **5 NON UE** (Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia, Albania and North Macedonia)
- ❖ November 19, 2021 - Council Conclusions on including the **Republic of San Marino** in EUSAIR (next steps by EU Commission & Council of the European Union)



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EUSAIR ACTION PLAN

Pillars



Capacity building Research and innovation Small and medium size business
Climate change mitigation and adaptation Disaster risk management



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TOWARDS THE EUSAIR EMBEDDING...

MAIN STEPS

24 May 2018 – EUSAIR Catania Declaration – The ministerial representatives of the EUSAIR countries remind the national coordinators of EUSAIR and the MAs of the ESI and IPA funds to start a collaboration process for the identification of pilot projects to be included in the partnership agreements and therefore in the regional / national programming documents of the countries EUSAIR (so-called embedding)

2019 - Approval of the **Adriancycletour crosspillar project** (Pillars 2 and 4 EUSAIR) and additional support from the Facility Point plus for the financing of the feasibility study of the Adriatic Ionian cycle-route (not financed)

10 June 2020 - The EUSAIR Governing Board approves the Flagships(priority projects / actions) of the 4 EUSAIR pillars, including the **ADRIATIC -IONIAN CYCLE ROUTE** (Pillar 2).



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EMBEDDING

On 3 December 2020, EU Council calls the participating countries and regions

- to take into account the priorities of the macro-regional strategies and “**embed**” them in the post 21-27 relevant programmes.
- **to establish networks of (managing) authorities** of relevant 2021-2027 EU funding programmes (Cohesion Policy Funds, EAFRD, EMFF, IPA, NDICI) in order to ensure a coordinated implementation of the MRS Action Plan priorities and projects shortlisted by MRS, across the macro-region, in their respective programmes;



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EMBEDDING

The new Cohesion policy regulations stress the need for EU funding programs and MRSs to work hand in hand.

CPR (Reg. UE 2021/1060), art. 22.3, requires each operational programme to include:

- **a summary of the main challenges**, taking into account MRS, where MS and regions participate in such strategies;
- **for each specific objective**, the related types of actions and their expected contributions to (...) MRS, where appropriate



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ADRIATIC- IONIAN CYCLE ROUTE



EUSAIR FLAGSHIP for embedding
PILLAR 2 EUSAIR – Connecting the Region

✓ **Cycling route running along the AI coast and its main cycle connections to the Eusair hinterland areas**

Capitalisation of MedCycleTour project (financed by MED Programme 14-20)



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ADRIATIC- IONIAN CYCLE ROUTE

FIGURA III.3.2: RETE CICLABILE NAZIONALE BICITALIA 2020



**ADRIATIC-CYCLE ROUTE IN
ITALY:
10 Regions**

**5 CYCLE ROUTES
of RCN Bicitalia (Italian
national cycling network)**

2977 km



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EMBEDDING EUSAIR in 21-27 MAINSTREAM PROGRAMMES – The italian experience

Flagship 2.1: ADRIATIC-IONIAN CYCLE ROUTE

In order to enhance the *embedding process*, Friuli Venezia Giulia region, in collaboration with Marche region, organized the following events:

16 December 2020: Workshop «AdrioncycleRoute: an integrated project for the Adriatic-Ionian Cycle Routes»

Presentation of ADRIONCycleTour as a cross-pillar project of EUSAIR Pillar 2 (transport) and Pillar 4 (tourism) for the development of a cycling route that runs along the entire Adriatic-Ionian coast line from Italy to Greece, crossing the remaining EUSAIR countries. In addition, informations on the technical guidelines for the construction of cycle routes in EUSAIR countries and on the funding currently available for their construction in the project area has been collected.



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- **7 April 2021: Workshop «The Embedding of the EUSAIR Adriatic-Ionian Cycle Route in the EU 2021-2027 programmes»**

This first technical workshop, organized also in cooperation of the Cohesion Policies Department – Italian Presidency of the Council of Ministers, had a twofold goal:

- **to involve both Italian Managing Authorities of EU mainstream programmes 2021-2027 and technical services for infrastructure and sustainable mobility of adriatic-ionic regions**, in order to concretely realize the embedding of the Adriatic-Ionian cycle route (EUSAIR flagship) into the relevant operational programmes through interventions coherent with the development of the Bicalia National Cycling Route and the projects already developed by the Regions (**2 options for J&G programmes MA: PO 2, so viii) or PO 3, so ii) ;**
- to represent the opportunities coming from the development of a single coastal Adriatic-Ionian cycle route in terms of **joint touristic promotion** for the valorisation of EUSAIR cultural and natural heritage. **(Docs: <http://esp.aimacroregion.eu/>)**



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ITALIAN PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (draft 29 September 2021)

Extract:

“In line with the provisions of the CPR, the macro-regional (EUSAIR and EUSALP) and sea basin (WestMED) strategies, together with sectoral and horizontal policies, **constitute a references for the new programming.**

Trough the incorporation of the priorities of the Strategies in regional, national and ETC programs and the activation of interregional cooperation actions - within Italy and with other EU or non-EU states - it will be possible to grasp, even in combination with the distinctive contribution of ETC programs, the opportunities present on international markets for the benefit of the Italian territories, as well as contributing to the implementation of the Strategies”.



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