

23rd GOVERNING BOARD MEETING of the European Union Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR)

Thursday, 10 October 2024

Operational conclusions

Item 2 Adoption of the Agenda	The meeting agenda was adopted.
Item 3 Approval of the minutes of the 22nd EUSAIR Governing Board meeting	The minutes of the 22nd EUSAIR Governing Board meeting were approved.
Item 4 Presentation of the implementation of the Hellenic Presidency Programme	EUSAIR Governing Board was informed about the priorities and planned events of the Hellenic Presidency.
Item 5 Revised Action Plan (EC SWD) – state of play and next steps	- The EUSAIR Governing Board agreed on participating countries to send their last round of comments till 23 October concerning only the pending issues raised by Pillar 2 Energy Subgroup and Pillar 1 reference to Offshore Wind power plants and additional greening of Pillar 1, on governance and Pillar 3. In the meantime DG REGIO will start organizing consolidation meetings between all concerned actors. - DG REGIO will finalize the document till end of October 2024 and start formal interservice consultation. - The EUSAIR Governing Board agrees that both documents, SWD and COM shall be endorsed together by the Council of the EU. - The 30/09/2024 version of the Action Plan draft shall be the basis for the work of the Pillars on Strategy implementation.

Item 6 Establishment of EUSAIR Youth Council – update	• The EUSAIR Governing Board welcomes the upcoming establishment of the EUSAIR Youth Council. • For the next call scheduled in Spring 2025 the EUSAIR Governing Board asks the Youth Consultation Task Force to reexamine parts of the selection methodology. • The EUSAIR Governing Board also stresses the necessity to strengthen communication activities promoting the call to reach solid number of applications from each participating country.
Item 7 EUSAIR Governance Architecture paper	• The EUSAIR Governing Board finalized the Governance Architecture Paper (GAP). Since some parts of the GAP depend on the new Action Plan the approval of GAP shall be tied to the endorsement of the Action Plan.
Item 8 Report on the EUSAIR Perspective on Cohesion Policy post 2027	• The EUSAIR Governing Board acknowledged the progress of the process. • The Final report will be shared with National Coordinators, Pillar Coordinators and EC representatives by 25 November 2024. Comments will be collected before and at the online meeting of National Coordinators planned for 17 December 2024. • The document will be finalized by mid January 2025 and afterwards submitted to EC and further used to communicate the main messages to national decision makers.
Item 9 Presentation of the IPA ADRION programme - state of play	• EUSAIR Governing Board took note of the latest developments regarding IPA ADRION Programme.
Item 10 EUSAIR governance support projects	• As the new EUSAIR logo the EUSAIR Governing Board decided to keep the existing design with additional sail for Pillar 5 and 10 stars. The Facility Point will develop the EUSAIR common visual identity based on the logo design. • DG REGIO informed the EUSAIR Governing Board that starting with 01/01/2025 the organizational costs of all Governing Board meetings shall be covered from the Presidency budget of the EUSAIR Facility Point. • The EUSAIR Governing Board approved the “Report on existing flagships and developed implementation formats” (including the Pillars project list) even though the discussion on the flagships including the related concept will continue.

Item 11 Main points from the Technical Meeting of Pillar Coordinators	• EUSAIR Governing Board took note of the report from Pillar Coordinators on the most relevant past achievements and future plans of Thematic Steering Groups. • The EUSAIR Governing Board agreed that Reports from Pillars should be focusing on main achievements and results from activities demonstrating progress made in implementation. • Pillar Coordinators could meet even more frequently, if needed.
Item 12 All: report on the meeting of the Committee of Senior Officials	• EUSAIR Governing Board was informed about All activities.
Item 13 A.O.B.	• On 01/01/2025 Bosnia and Herzegovina is taking over the Presidency in EUSDR. Joint meetings of governance bodies of both MRSs will be proposed in the Presidency programme of the EUSDR Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
Item 14 Conclusions and next steps	• EUSAIR Governing Board chair concluded the meeting.