## "Support to Development and Implementation of Strategic Implementation Formats – SP4EUSAIR"

### Methodology for Capacity building workshops Pillar 2 – Connecting the Region: Transport

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#### A1.1 REPORT ON EXISTING IMPLEMENTATION FORMATS

#### **DEVELOPMENT PATH AND KEY FEATURES**

- Drafted: during July-October 2024
- The goal: to determine the status of individual implementation formats (regarding their maturity level and readiness for implementation)
- Online in-depth interviews with Pillar Coordinators conducted during summer 2024 to collect qualitative data and enable a deeper understanding of the work done.

The Report has identified for each Pillar the following:

- ✓ Implementation formats development path,
- ✓ Current state and developed implementation formats,
- ✓ Specific needs of the pillars,
- ✓ Summarized list of implementation formats by pillars (Annex 1)
- The Report has been presented and formally approved on the GB meeting (10th October 2024).



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#### MAIN CONCLUSIONS OF THE REPORT

- Initial stages of project development were complex (i.e. significant difficulties in transitioning from conceptual ideas to fully developed project proposals)
- Gaps in stakeholder engagement and coordination across Pillars (i.e. challenges related to monitoring mechanisms and structured stakeholder engagement)
- Outdated nature of some implementation formats (i.e. frequently highlighted the necessity of their update to reflect current needs and priorities)
- Lacking suitable funding and criteria for project selection
- Cross-pillar collaboration difficulties (i.e. missing established rules or procedures for the development of cross-pillar projects)
- ✓ General remark: Critical need for streamlined processes, enhanced collaboration, and targeted resource allocation to address macro-regional priorities effectively



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#### **IDENTIFIED NEEDS FOR PILLAR 2 – TRANSPORT**

- Updating the Master Plan revision of the TEN-T network and the completion of critical infrastructure projects which involves collecting new data on transport mobility and current projects. Each component of the Master Plan needs updating to reflect developments from 2017 (which was set as baseline year) to 2024 and adapt to evolving EU strategic policies.
- Engagement with experts effective implementation requires engagement with transport sector representatives and experts, notably port authorities and railway operators to update data for various modes of transport (e.g., traffic flow, network data, project development in the region), as well as experts who will help update the strategy related to specific modes of transport (e.g., for railway interoperability). This process should focus on involving experts who could support the Master Plan updating, working either on a specific mode of transport or at the strategic policy level.
- Strategic vision sharing TSG2 on Transport should disseminate the EUSAIR strategic vision embedded in the Master Plan to national bodies, the EC, and the WBIF. The aim is to collaboratively improve connectivity and accessibility within the Adriatic-Ionian region.



#### CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP METHODOLOGY FOR TSG 2 ON TRANSPORT

#### **HOW TO PROCEED FORWARD**

- Capacity building workshops with TSGs in late 2024 and early 2025
- The goal to enable conditions for identifying key strategic ideas and sources of financing for future strategic implementation formats.
- Methodology for the workshops the workshops will be tailor-made and designed for each TSG individually based on:
  - ✓ their needs identified in the Report (A 1.1) and
  - ✓ their inputs for further development of the current implementation formats pointed out during the meetings
- Thematic steering group working reports on key strategic ideas (based on the outcomes of the workshops) 1Q 2025



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#### MAIN OUTLINES OF THE METHODOLOGY

- For Pillar 2 TSG on Transport capacity building workshop will be structured as matchmaking panel discussions.
- PCs will provide a list of assignments/tasks, while list of available experts will be provided by SP4EUSAIR in relevant fields. The list will include key details (areas of expertise, years of experience, etc.)
- Within the workshop, the SP4EUSAIR consultant and PCs/TSGs will collaborate to match experts with the specific assignments/tasks required to improve and further develop the action/master plans.
- PCs will provide their assistance in the preparation process of ToRs for the assignments/tasks accordingly.







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