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Subject: Mediterranean Coast and Macro-regional Strategies Week – SEA4FUTURE– Slovenia, 17-28 September 2019 – SAVE-THE-DATE

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are honored to invite you to the »Mediterranean Coast and Macro-regional Strategies Week – SEA4FUTURE« which will take place between the **17–28 September 2019 at Slovenian coast**.

The traditional event aims to raise awareness on the sea and coast and their natural resources and economic potential, as well as to expose the risks to which the sea and coast are exposed to due to the natural phenomena and human actions. Organizers are promising numerous interesting activities. The event will bring together practitioners, experts and general public. Special attention will be given to the stakeholders' views on the state of play and the future of the sea and coastal management.

The Mediterranean countries are celebrating the Mediterranean Coast Day since its launch on the 25th of September 2007. The 25th of September was chosen as the Mediterranean Coast Day to honor Slovenia as the first country in the Mediterranean region which ratified the Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) in 2009. The ICZM Protocol is a unique legal instrument which allows the countries in the Mediterranean to better manage and protect their coastal zones in pursuit of sustainable development. Each year, one of the Mediterranean countries is a host of the Mediterranean Coast Day main celebration, while other countries organize their own events. In Slovenia, the celebration is widely known as the "Mediterranean Coast Week" and is inextricably linked to the regional cooperation under the three European macro-regional strategies which are implemented in the Slovenian territory, namely the Danube, Adriatic-Ionian and Alpine strategy.

The Indicative program will be sent to you in a couple of weeks.

Further information about the event will be available on the dedicated website of the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR) in the next weeks: http://www.adriatic-ionian.eu/.

You are cordially invited to join us!

We would also like to invite you to watch a short video called "Mediterranean Coast and EU Macro-regional Strategies Week – SEE MY SEA" which presents the events of the Mediterranean Coast of the Mediterranean and macro-regional strategies 2018 and the importance of such events for the entire Adriatic-Ionian region.

Organization committee