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**EUSAIR INVESTMENT IN SKILLS AND EDUCATION:
 WHICH ROADMAP FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE BLUE
 ECONOMY IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION?**

Significance of Investing in skills and education in Maritime transport – Western Balkan Perspective

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TRANSPORT COMMUNITY IN A NUTSHELL...

- ❑ International organization based in Belgrade, Serbia, in the field of mobility and transport, consisting of 33 participants – the entire EU and the six Western Balkans regional partners.
- ❑ Aim is to integrate Western Balkans' transport markets into the EU, by assisting the six Western Balkans partners to adopt and implement the EU legislation in the field of transport and by supporting projects.
- ❑ The scope encompasses the modes road, rail, inland waterway and maritime transport as well as the development of the transport network between the European Union and the six Western Balkan Parties.
- ❑ The Transport Community is based on the progressive integration of transport markets of the Western Balkan Parties into the EU transport market on the basis of the relevant acquis, including in the areas of technical standards, interoperability, safety, security, traffic management, social policy, public procurement and environment.



ACTION PLAN FOR WATERBORNE TRANSPORT AND MULTIMODALITY

- ❑ Recently endorsed Action plan for Waterborne Transport completes the missing puzzle of modes in Transport Community covered by Action Plans
- ❑ Strong Maritime component with concrete investments in infrastructure and Acquis harmonization
- ❑ Strengthening of human resources and institutional capacities in maritime affairs recognized as key priority



ESTABLISHMENT OF CEMA – CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN MARTIIME AFFAIRS

- ❑ CEMA is a joint initiative of the Port of Durres, of University of Durres and Cooperation and Development Institute of Albania, with the support and guidance of the Transport Community Permanent Secretariat.
- ❑ Aimed at supporting regional partners (Port Authorities and Maritime Administrations) in the Adriatic-Ionian region in their efforts to promote their initiatives regarding transformation into logistics-centered hubs, enhance their regional footprint as maritime services providers, improve their governance.
- ❑ CEMA will serve as training center and capacity building facility for maritime personal as well as a meeting point between maritime sector and academia. An important component will be its contribution into policy-making on maritime issues and adoption of the acquis in the sector.
- ❑ With its development in the years to come, CEMA could grow into a regional Center



Other activities of Transport Community aimed at improving skills and competences in maritime affairs

- ❑ Defining of custom-made and problem solving oriented TAIEX missions and trainings
- ❑ Cooperation with European Commission and specialized agencies – EMSA, CINEA, Paris MoU secretariat...
- ❑ Developing concepts for potential Twinning applications for regional partners
- ❑ Sharing best practices with European member states administrations and Ports
- ❑ Connecta Technical Assistance projects
- ❑ Developing Roadmaps for specific issues in Maritime affairs
- ❑ Summer schools of Transport Community (2021 year of Rail)



Thank you for you
attention !

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