

EUSAIR Pillar 1 (Blue Growth)

Sustainable Development of Coastal Communities
through Blue Upskilling of Local Populations



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“Skills needed to be acquired by the local population to be successful candidates for work in future professions in the sector (e.g., small ports, marinas, port services, ...)”

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In a nutshell



5 Policy areas
Cohesion | Transport | Maritime
Climate and Energy | Migration



Since
1973

6 Geographical
Commissions



+40 Permanent
Staff



General Secretariat



Regular partner & interlocutor



Commission
Parliament
Council

+20

Ongoing
European &
Cooperation
Projects



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CPMR Membership



Filip Reinhag
President



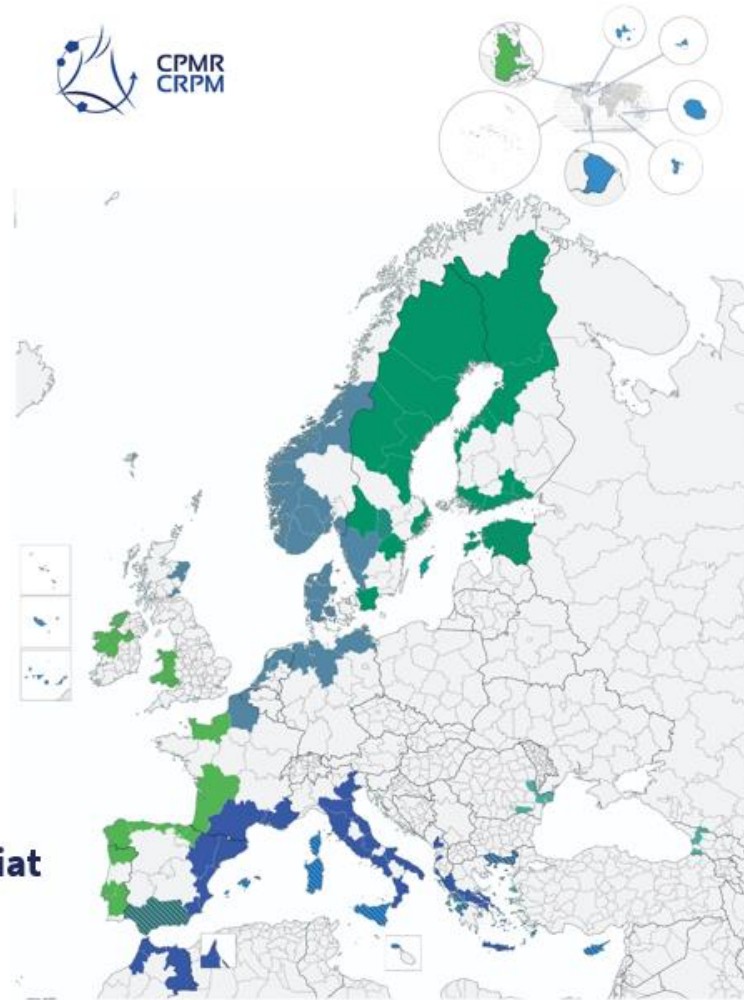
General Assembly



Political Bureau



General Secretariat



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6 Geographical Commissions

- Corresponding to Europe's main **sea basins** and the **Islands**
- Assuring the **specific interests** and **promotion** of the 150 CPMR member regions
- Allowing to focus on the major **common challenges** in each territory
- A **stronger joint voice**, creating **synergies** & reducing overlaps
- Actively **contributing to the work of the CPMR** and its core policy positions



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The CPMR is:

- More than the voice of peripheral and maritime regions in Europe
- The most influential regional organisation in Brussels
- A quick reacting General Secretariat well connected to decision-making
- A highly competent team with direct access to European officials
- A source of expertise and information for the European institutions
- A strong impact on policy via excellent papers and analysis



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The CPMR is:

- Strong knowledge building through an extensive network
- A two-way exchange channel with the European Institutions
- A network to meet, learn, exchange & cooperate with reliable partners
- High-level working groups providing valuable information to members
- Expert analysis and studies on various priority issues
- A strong influence in European negotiations



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Priority Policy Areas

 **Cohesion Policy & European Budget**

 **Transport & Accessibility**

 **Maritime Affairs & Fisheries**

 **Energy**

 **Climate**

 **Migration**





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The CPMR in 3 keywords

- **INFLUENCE:** the most influential regional organisation in Brussels well-connected to decision-making and a source of expertise and information for the European institutions
- **EXPERTISE:** a long-standing and consistent presence with highly professional and articulated positions on the key policy concerns of it's members
- **VISIBILITY:** Visibility of it's member regions through high level events and bilateral meetings with Commissioners, Ministers and other regional Presidents



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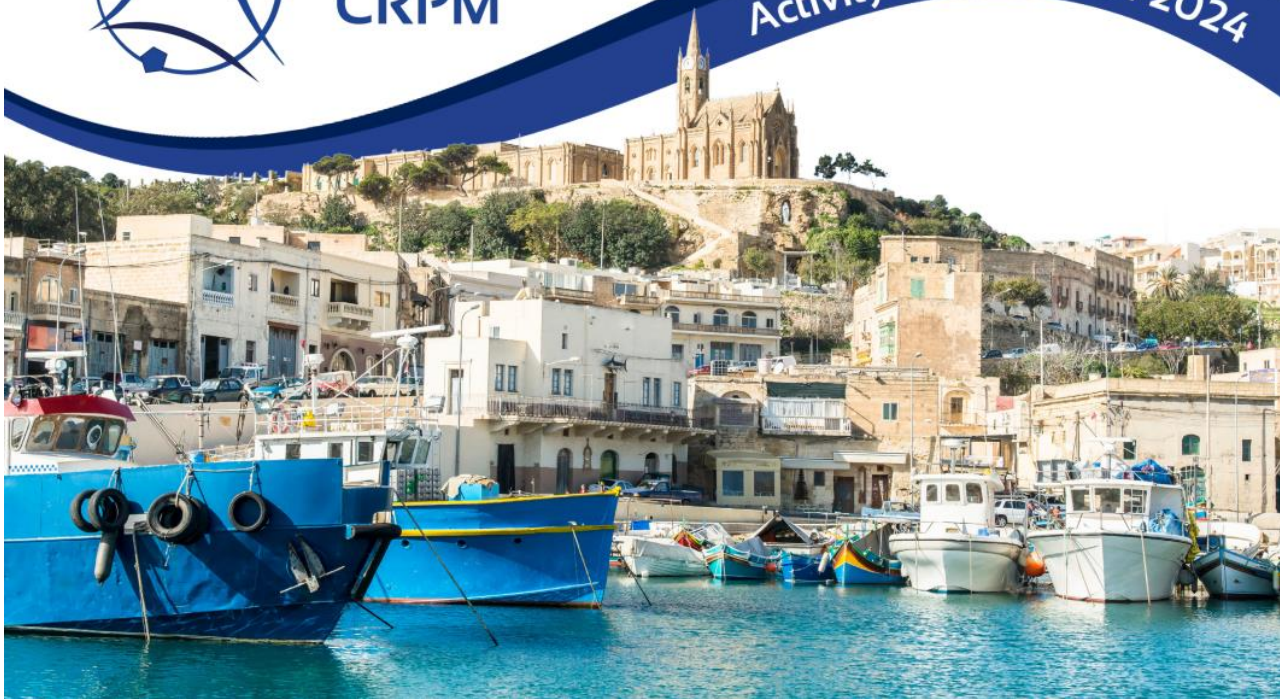
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Activity Report 2023/2024



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AI-NURECC PLUS

ADRIATIC IONIAN NETWORK OF UNIVERSITIES, REGIONS,
CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND CITIES INITIATIVE



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AI-NURECC PLUS SIDE EVENT

REPORT

FOCUS: NAUTICAL TOURISM

**THE BLUE ECONOMY IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION:
THE VALUE AND DEVELOPMENT OF NAUTICAL
TOURISM**

28 SEPTEMBER 2022

BRINDISI (ITALY)

HYBRID EVENT

AI-NURECC PLUS HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE

REPORT

FOCUS: SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

**FROM COVID-19 CRISIS TO
NEW PATHWAYS FOR A
SUSTAINABLE TOURISM IN
THE ADRIATIC AND IONIAN
REGION**

13 JUNE 2023

CORFU (GREECE)

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>>> EU Blue Economy Observatory <<<



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KA220-VET - COOPERATION PARTNERSHIPS IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

*MARitime Soft Skills for Onboard
Healthy Nutrition and CULinary Arts in
Seagoing Services CUL - MAR-Skills*

2023-1-RO01-KA220-VET-000156711



**MARitime Soft Skills for Onboard
Healthy Nutrition and CULinary Arts in
Seagoing Services**

CUL-MAR-SKILLS aims at meeting the need for trained personnel to work in the galleys of all ships. The project provides training in areas such as balanced and healthy nutrition, provisions, environmentally friendly practices in the galley and waste management. The most innovative aspect of the project is that it provides basic knowledge in areas that have not been covered much in the maritime sector and aims to provide participants with skills in key areas such as cooking, supply chain, management, entrepreneurship and make them sought-after employees who will work in a limited space such as a ship.



What's in it for CPMR members?



CPMR members in the wider Black Sea region can collaborate with naval academies and maritime employers to make related jobs more appealing to youth, addressing brain drain and social inclusion challenges at the regional level.



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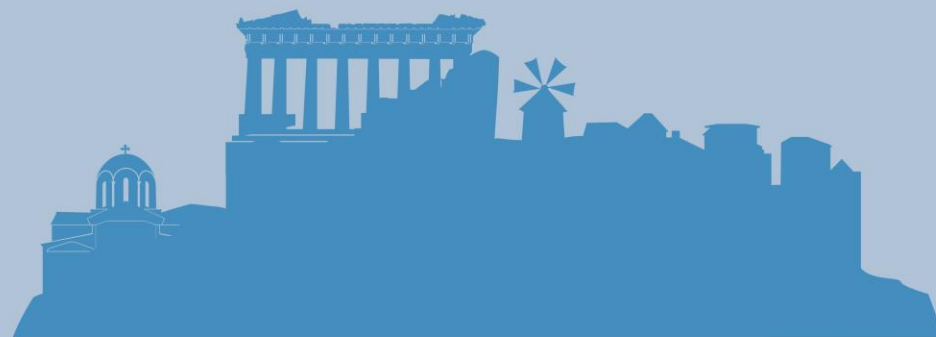
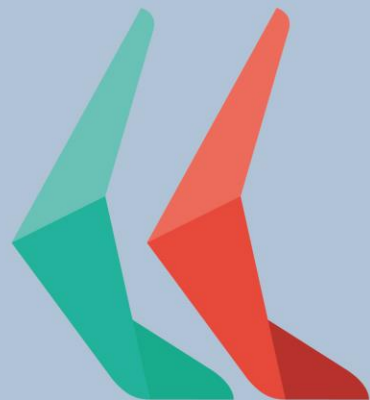
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