## PROGRAMME OF THE OFFICIAL OPENING

of the Mediterranean Coast and Macro-regional Strategies Week 2025

## Stronger cooperation for better future Izola, Slovenia

## Dear colleagues!

We are kindly inviting you to the official opening of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean Coast and Macroregional Strategies Week 2025 under the slogan "Stronger cooperation for better future" which will be held on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2025 at 10:00 am at Manzioli palace, Izola, Slovenia.

The distinguished speakers for the official opening of the Mediterranean Coast and Macro-regional Strategies Week 2025 will be:

- Milan Bogatič, Mayor, Municipality of Izola,
- State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of Slovenia,

As part of the official opening, a high-level political panel will follow under the title: »Cohesion Policy post 2027: More cooperation, more Europe«.

The panel will be attended by the following distinguished guests:

- > **Dr. Aleksander Jevšek,** Minister, Ministry of Cohesion and Regional Development of the Republic of Slovenia,
- > **Dr. Vladimir Prebilič**, Member of the European Parliament, Member of the Committee on Regional Development,
- ➤ Roland Arbter, Deputy Director, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management, Directorate III/6 Coordination Regional Policy and Spatial Planning, EUSDR National Coordinator,
- > Sławomir Tokarski, Director, European Commission, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Territorial Cooperation, Macro-regions, Interreg and Programme implementation.

The official opening will be an introduction to a week-long program of the Mediterranean Coast and Macro-regional Strategies Week 2025. We invite you to review the attached program, which will undoubtedly capture your attention.

Warmly welcome!

The Mediterranean Coast and Macro-regional Strategies Week 2025 Organizing Team