

## 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 Macro-regional 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,
- **Stawomir 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