

ENPI CBC Mediterranean Sea Basin Programme

Budget: 173.607 M €

Eligible regions:

Algeria: Tlemcen, Aïn Témouchent, Oran, Mostaganem, Chlef, Tipaza, Alger, Boumerdès, Tizi Ouzou, Béjaïa, Jijel, Skikda, Annaba, El Taref

Cyprus: the whole country

Egypt: Marsa Matruh, Al Iskandanyah, Al Buhayrah, Kafr ash Shaykh, Ad Daqahliyah, Dumyat, Ash Sharquiyah, Al Isma'iliyah, Bur Sa'id, Shamal Sina'¹

France: Corse, Languedoc-Roussillon, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur

Greece: Anatoliki Makedonia - Thraki, Kentriki Makedonia, Thessalia, Ipeiros, Ionia Nisia, Dytiki Ellada, Sterea Ellada, Peloponnisos, Attiki, Voreio Aigaio, Notio Aigaio, Kriti

Israel: the whole country

Italy: Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Lazio, Liguria, Puglia, Sardegna, Sicilia, Toscana

Jordan: Irbid, Al-Balga, Madaba, Al-Karak, Al-Trafila, Al-Aqaba

Lebanon: the whole country

Libya: Nuquat Al Kharms, Al Zawia, Al Aziziyah, Tarabulus, Tarunah, Al Khons, Zeleitin, Misurata, Sawfajin, Surt, Ajdabiya, Banghazi, Al Fatah, Al Jabal Al Akhdar, Damah, Tubruq

Malta: the whole country

Morocco: Oriental, Taza-Al Hoceima-Taounate, Tanger-Tétouan

Palestinian Authority: the whole country

Portugal: Algarve

Spain: Andalucía, Cataluña, Comunidad Valenciana, Murcia, Islas Baleares, Ceuta, Melilla

Syria: Latakia, Tartous

Tunisia: Médenine, Gabès, Sfax, Mahdia, Monastir, Sousse, Nabeul, Ben Arous, Tunis, Ariana, Bizerte, Béja, Jendouba

Turkey: Tekirdağ, Balıkesir, İzmir, Aydın, Antalya, Adana, Hatay

United Kingdom: Gibraltar

Managing Authority: Region of Sardinia, Cagliari, Italy

Priorities of the programme:

The participating countries of the programme have defined the following general objective for the Programme: to contribute to promoting the sustainable and harmonious cooperation process at the Mediterranean Basin level by dealing with the common challenges and enhancing its endogenous potentials.

In coherence with this objective, the participating countries agreed to define following four specific priorities fitting the process of cooperation in the Mediterranean area:

1. Promotion of socio-economic development and enhancement of territories

Measure 1.1. Support to innovation and research in the process of local development of the Mediterranean Sea Basin countries.

Measure 1.2. Strengthening economic clusters creating synergies among potentials of the Mediterranean Sea Basin countries.

Measure 1.3 Strengthening the national strategies of territorial planning by integrating the different levels, and promotion of balanced and sustainable socio-economic development

2. Promotion of environmental sustainability at the basin level

Measure 2.1 Prevention and reduction of risk factors for the environment and enhancement of natural common heritage

Measure 2.2 Promotion of renewable energy use and improvement of energy efficiency contributing to addressing, among other challenges, climate change

3. Promotion of better conditions and modalities for ensuring the mobility of persons, goods and capitals

Measure 3.1 Support to people flows among territories as a means of cultural, social and economic enrichment

Measure 3.2 Improvement of conditions and modalities of circulation of goods and capitals among the territories

4. Promotion of cultural dialogue and local governance

Measure 4.1 Support to mobility, exchanges, training and professionalism of young people

Measure 4.2: Support to the artistic creativity in all its expressions to encourage dialogue among communities

Measure 4.3: Improvement of the governance processes at local level

State of play:

¹ The region of Shamal Sina' will not participate for the time being in the Programme.

The programme was approved by the Commission 14 August 2008. The first JMC meeting took place 21-22 October in Cagliari in Sardinia and the second in Aqaba in Jordan in January 2009. .

The first call for proposals will be launched by the Managing Authority end February 2009 and the first projects to be implemented will hopefully start in the second quarter of 2009 provided the participating partner countries have signed the Financing Agreements.