

MOTORWAYS OF THE SEA

TEN-T 2005 PROJECT

ELABORATION OF THE EAST MEDITERRANEAN MOTORWAYS OF THE SEA MASTER PLAN (CYPRUS, GREECE, ITALY, MALTA, SLOVENIA)

The project proposal aims at developing a Master Plan for the East Mediterranean Motorways of the Sea corridor. It involves the following aspects:

- **Organizational:**

Member States representatives have agreed to launch a unique international call for tender to engage the necessary consulting capabilities for the region.

In addition, a technical advisor and an administrative coordinator will be appointed to ensure the smooth management and efficient project implementation.

- **Market analysis:**

This will include the state-of-the-art from among the existing transport sea routes (lines and services), market study on needs for new transport sea routes, identification of ports and multi-ports clusters and designation of potential MoS. Other horizontal analysis will include intelligent transport systems and telecommunications, and safety and security matters.

- **Infrastructure:**

This will include identification of bottlenecks, missing links and priority infrastructure needs to overcome barriers the missing links.

- **Call for tender MOS and Master Plan definition**

The project will provide administrative, technical, and legal support for negotiations between Member States to decide on Terms Of Reference for tendering MOS projects, and joint calls for tender will be launched involving at least two Member States' administrations. Evaluation of projects will be carried out and accordingly, selected projects will be proposed for funding under the TEN-T financial instrument a.

The Master Plan will be set out on the grounds of the proposed projects and previously cited analysis. The Master Plan will take into account financial support given by the various EU

financial instruments (TEN-T, Marco Polo II, regional funds, and EIB). The plan will include alternative implementation scenarios and the comparison and evaluation of alternatives will be adequately formulated (GIS presentation, cost-benefit analysis and business plans, environmental impacts assessment).