

# in the Mediterranean.

## Linking strategies & governance processes

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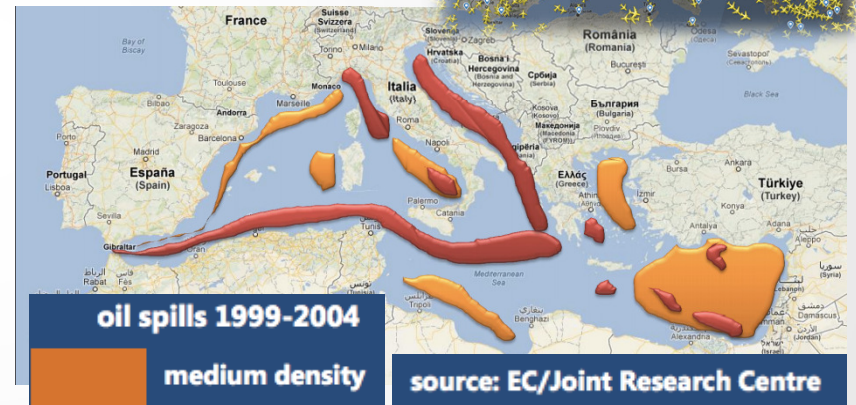
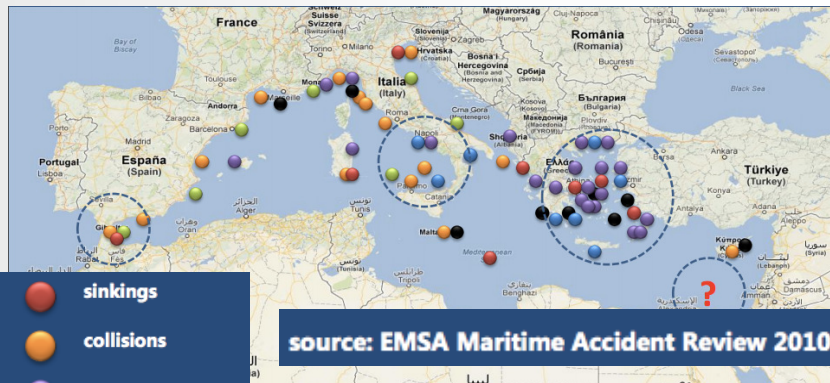
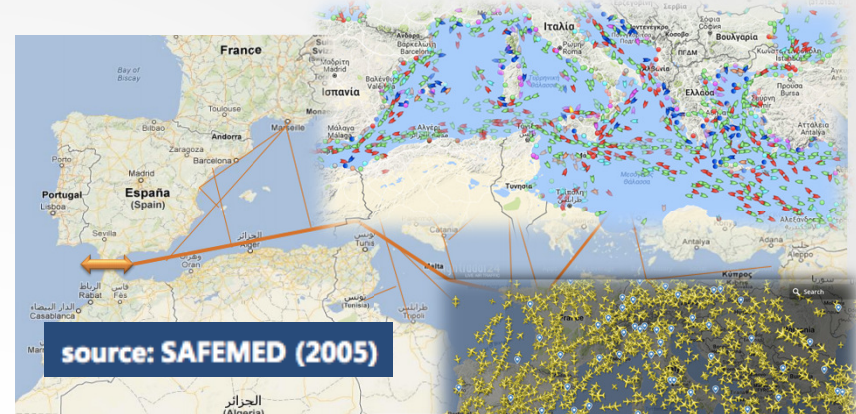
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# The Heterogeneous Mediterranean Area



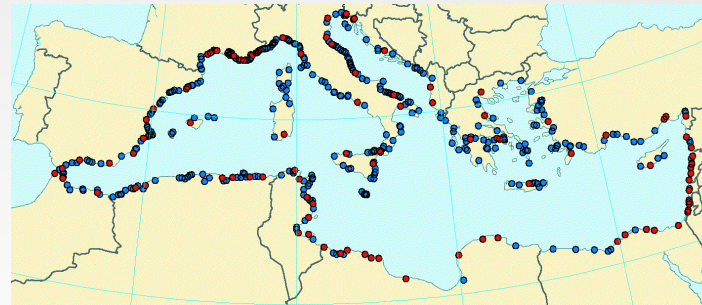
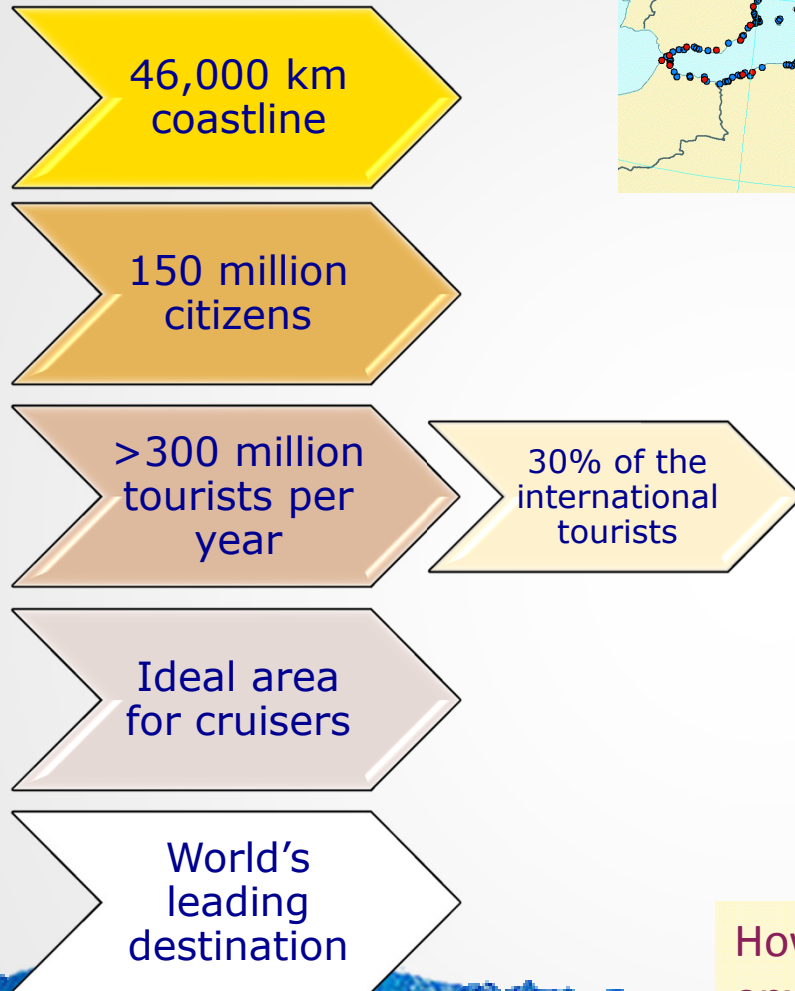
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# Coastal Tourism



**Mediterranean coastal cities**

Population

- Above 100 000
- Less than 100 000

- **Key driver of socio-economic growth & major pillar for the local economies**
- **The fastest-growing economic sector**
- **>200 billion euros export infrastructure development**

However, coastal tourism is also linked to **environmental pressures**, hence the need to develop the sector in a **sustainable way**, with ecosystem based management efforts and evidence-based policies.



# Maritime Surveillance

Maritime CISE

Ensure the safety and security

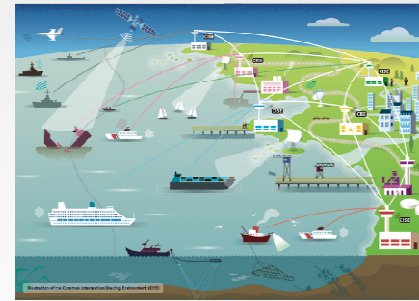
Maritime risks and threats do not respect national or administrative borders

Enhancing knowledge and improving maritime situational awareness

EU Commission supports measures to develop, maintain, and disseminate standards

30% reduction of threats and risks on average

Thus, allowing maritime surveillance systems to be interoperable

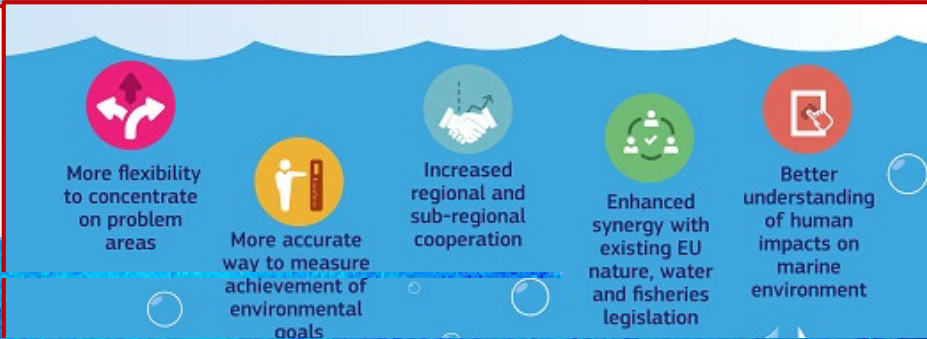


➤ Enhancing information exchange between maritime surveillance authorities **is one of the key strategic objectives of the Union under the IMP and an important building block of the Maritime Security Strategy**

➤ Development of the **Common Information sharing environment**

# Creating Synergies and Cooperation Mechanisms

## How and Why ?



# Cross Cutting Tasks Liaising in the MED Area

## A matter of a few? Or many issues?

**In terms of  
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**A systematized  
communication/exchange  
will be developed BY :**

- results of PANORAMED by tackled sectors.
- exchange of best practices among INTERREG and other programmes and join strategic programmes.
- identification of relevant complementarities in terms of potential joint projects.
- identification of permanent mechanisms to plan strategic projects within 2020-2026.
- joint exchange on migration as cross cutting issue.

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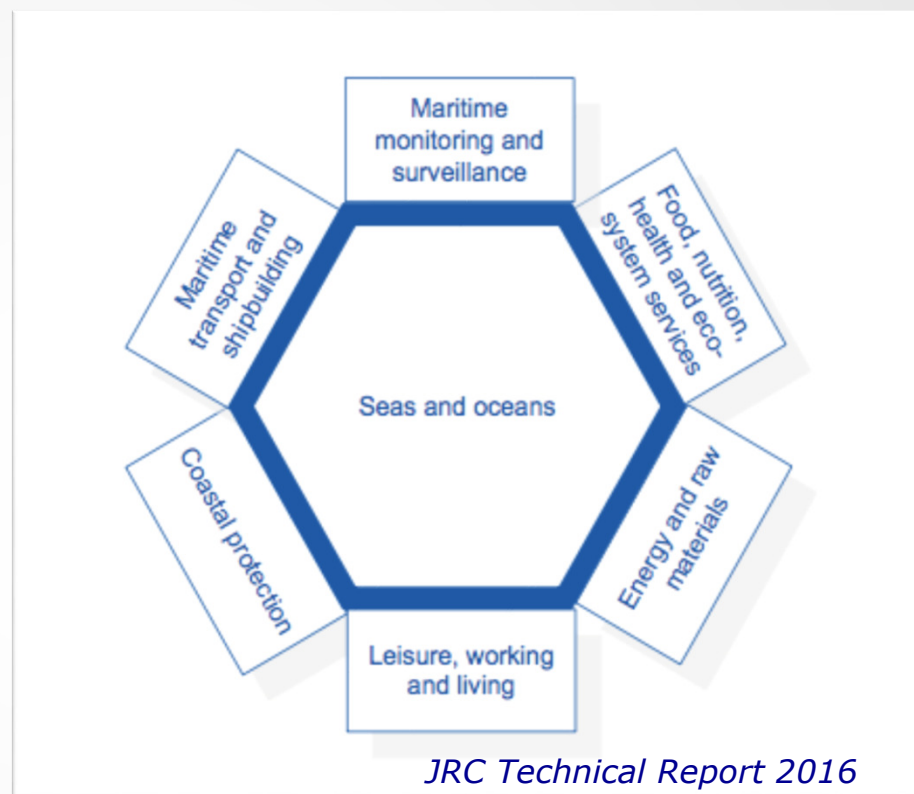
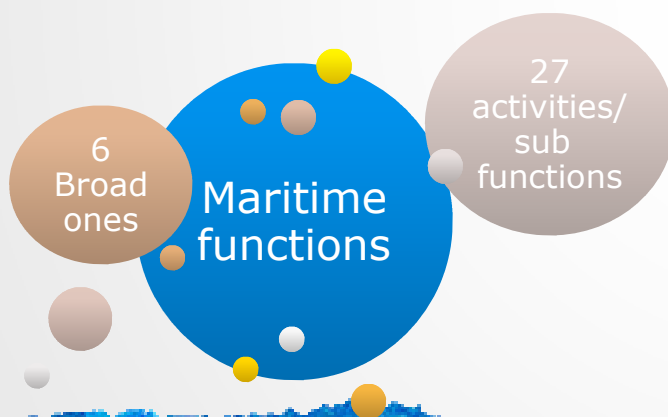


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# Cross Cutting Tasks Liaising in the MED Area

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# Cross Cutting Tasks Liaising in the MED Area

## A matter of a few? Or many issues?

**Within  
regional/  
national/  
European  
Frameworks**

- ✓ With an updated, real time scheme of networking and dialogue among relevant parties
- ✓ The MED basin in respect to the surveillance and tourism around Non EU countries
- ✓ Synergies to ensure the interconnectivity of the MED Basin without excluding the local peculiarities
- ✓ Liaising combined with complementarities of MED, ADRION, BALKAN MED, SOUTH WEST and ENI CBC MED Programmes
- ✓ New trend in cohesion policy and alternative scenarios (*eg the Future of Europe -5 scenarios*)

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# Cross Cutting Tasks Liaising in the MED Area

*By PANORAMED leading the way forward*

## ***Crete's Participation***

### Coastal and Maritime Tourism:

- Regional priority - comparative advantage of the island.
- one of the most dynamic and selective forms of modern tourism.
- Very important in the tourist economy economic potential of the island.



### Maritime surveillance:

- National priority of strategically planning.
- Region: a crucial stakeholder and end user at the sea.
- high importance for security plans and safe living, working, and leisure.

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## Liaising with Crete's "tools"..

- Committee of the Regions, **CoR**
- **ENVE, NAT**
- **ARLEM**
- Assembly of European Regions, **AER**
- Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions, **CPMR** – Intermediterranean Commission **IMC**



### ***Vice Presidency on Maritime Issues***

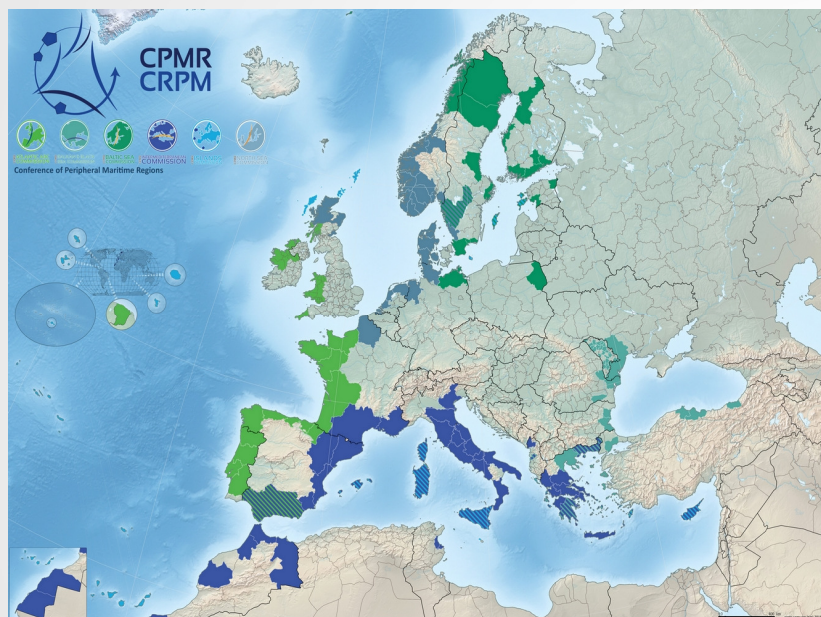
- European Regions Research Innovation Network, **ERRIN**
- – **Co-Leadership of Blue Growth WG**
- **BLUEMED (National – Greek Pivot - Policy Platform)**
- **GECTs**



- Association of European Regions for Products of Origin, **AREPO**
- European Local Inclusion and Social Action Network, **ELISAN**
- European Network of Social Authorities, **ENSA**
- **Euromontana** Network
- West Med Initiative, **EUSAIR**







### **CPMR:**

With a vision for a reformed Cohesion Policy for the post-2020 period. It includes detailed proposals across the key aspects of Cohesion Policy of significant relevance for Peripheral and Maritime Regions.

### ***Economically, Socially, Territorial speaking***

Having a Position and Thematic Working Group on “Future of Europe” and Juncker State

**CPMR IMC:** with a **Task Force on Sustainable Tourism & Culture**. Med Regions committed since 2015 to join their efforts in a specific Task Force for promoting **Sustainable, coastal, maritime & culture tourism**

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# Liaising with Crete's European Co operations within projects and through innovation..



**And because Crete is located at the Mediterranean....**

**But ...**

***Crete is also in Brussels!!***



- Tourism
- Culture
- Environment
- Energy
- Local Products
- Primary Sector
- Education
- Youth
- ICTs
- Social Issues
- Society\_Citizens



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