

# Initiative for the sustainable development of the blue economy in Western Mediterranean

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#### **WestMED Initiative**



A safer and more secure maritime space



A smart and resilient blue economy by 2022



Better governance of the sea

#### **10 Countries**

Algeria, France, Italy, Libya, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Portugal, Spain and Tunisia

- Cooperation between Coast Guards
- Maritime Safety and response to Marine Pollution
- Maritime monitoring data sharing
- Reinforcement of border surveillance

- Strategic research and innovation
- Maritime cluster development
- Skills development and circulation
- Sustainable consumption and production



- Maritime Spatial planning and coastal management
- Marine and maritime knowledge
- Biodiversity and habitat conservation
- Sustainable fisheries







### Target for Goal 1



Full coverage of AIS by 2018

Share more maritime traffic monitoring data



Border surveillance strengthened involving neighbourhood countries in Seahorse Mediterranean Network by 2018.

by





# Targets for Goal 2



20% increase in sustainable aquaculture production value

20 % increase in off-season tourism

by 2022

25% increase in certified eco-ports and marinas



WestMED countries included in

blueMed

by 2017



## Targets for Goal 3





Cover at least 10 % of the sea surface with marine protected areas and other area-based conservation measures by 2020



All States equipped with adequate legal framework and human and technical capabilities to meet their fisheries control and inspection responsibilities as flag, coastal and port States by 2020



100 % of waters under national jurisdiction and coastlines under Maritime Spatial Planning and Integrated Coastal Management; implementing mechanisms fully in place by 2021



Reduce marine litter on beaches by 20 % by 2024

2020



100 % of key Mediterranean stocks subject to adequate data collection, scientifically assessed on a regular basis and managed through a multiannual fisheries plan by 2020



Extend the European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODNET) to all Southern Mediterranean countries by 2020



### The process (1)



#### 2014

- IMP-MED WG
- Study on BGsea basinreports (MED)



**New College** 



- UfM process
- 5+5 Dialogue
- Maltese Presidency
- Technical support

UfM Declaration 17 Nov 2015





### The process (2)



1st mtg on 21 March 2016



3<sup>rd</sup> mtg on 29 Sep 2016



- Stakeholder Conf.
- Communication
- Maltese Pres.
- Naples Conf.

- No 5+5

Lack of MS support - Technical framework



WestMED Co-Presidency

1st WestMED
SC on 01 March
2018



