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# BUILDING AN INCLUSIVE AND RESILIENT MEDITERRANEAN

## INSTITUTIONAL LEAFLET



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# The UfM at a glance



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## What is the Union for the Mediterranean?

The Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) is an intergovernmental organisation that brings together 43 countries to enhance regional cooperation and dialogue through the implementation of concrete projects and initiatives addressing inclusive and sustainable development, stability and integration in the Euro-Mediterranean area.

As a direct continuation of the Barcelona Process, the launch of the UfM in July 2008 was a true reflection of its Member States' shared political commitment to enhance the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership.

## 43 Members

Albania / Algeria / Austria / Belgium / Bosnia and Herzegovina / Bulgaria / Croatia / Cyprus / Czech Republic / Denmark / Egypt / Estonia / Finland / France / Germany / Greece / Hungary / Ireland / Israel / Italy / Jordan / Latvia / Lebanon / Lithuania / Luxemburg / Malta / Mauritania / Monaco / Montenegro / Morocco / Netherlands / North Macedonia / Palestine / Poland / Portugal / Romania / Slovakia / Slovenia / Spain / Sweden / Syria\* / Tunisia / Türkiye

\*Syria suspended its membership in December 2011 / Libya has an observer status

## UfM Senior Officials

The Member States of the Union for the Mediterranean meet on a regular basis at the level of Senior Officials from the Ministries of Foreign Affairs. The Senior Officials Meetings (SOM) provide the framework to discuss the current regional context, coordinate the work of the UfM Secretariat and endorse new development projects to which the UfM label is given.

## 2 Co-Presidents

The EU and Jordan have assumed the Northern and Southern co-presidency since 2012, embodying the UfM principle of co-ownership.

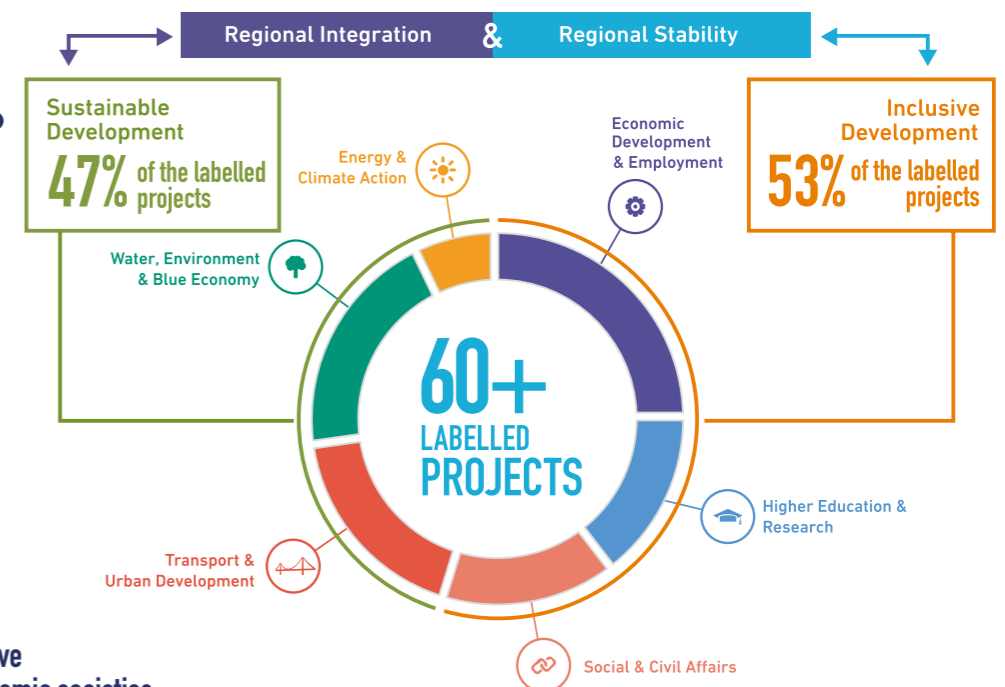
## 1 Secretariat

Established in 2010 in Barcelona, the UfM Secretariat is the first permanent structure dedicated to the implementation of this partnership.

It ensures operational follow-up of the regional priorities and supports the implementation of region-wide cooperation projects and initiatives.



## Strategic objectives



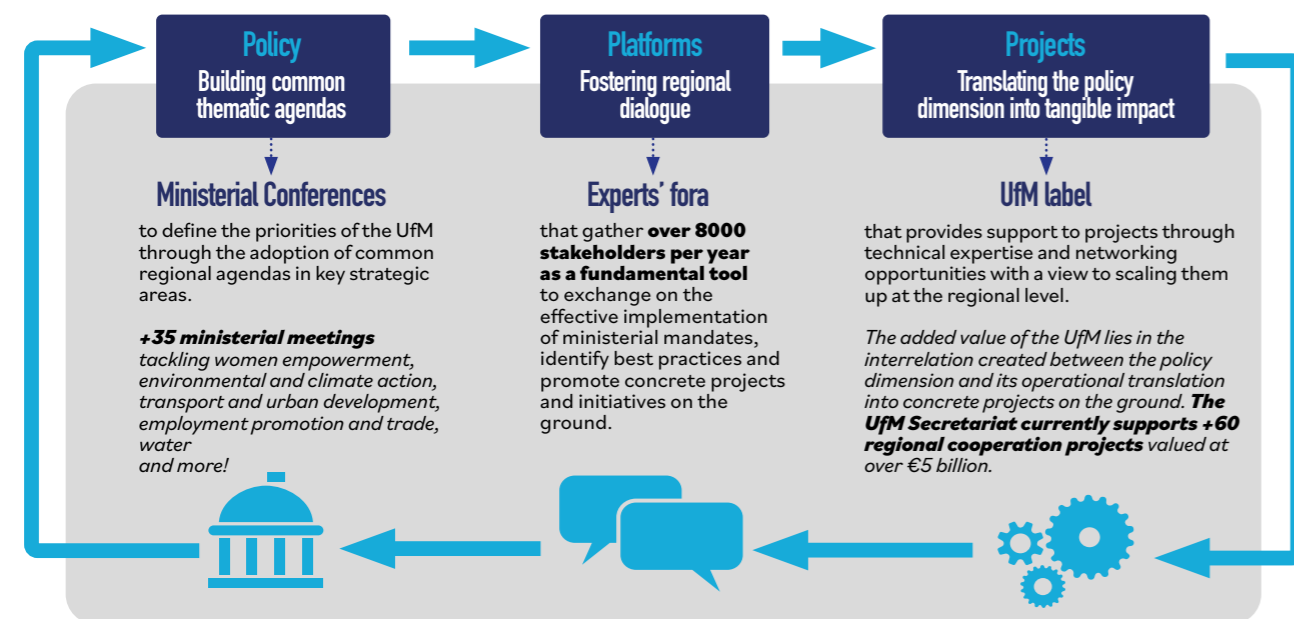
## Building integrated, inclusive and sustainable post-pandemic societies: five renewed priorities for the UfM

In November 2020, on the occasion of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Barcelona Process, all the UfM Member States recognised the need to prioritise, in the years to come, five areas of action where the UfM can play a crucial role and provide for comparative advantages towards a sustainable post-pandemic recovery, paving the way for the creation of more resilient societies and economies in the region.

Starting in 2021, the UfM has focused its work on the following areas:



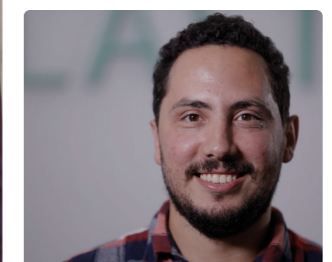
## How does the UfM operationalize its mandate? The 3P's Methodology



## Stories of Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation

Our stories of successful Euro-Mediterranean cooperation are centered on humans and humans only. Our inspiration comes from UfM projects and initiatives implemented on the ground: from partners collaborating daily with us to project promoters and beneficiaries, these stories of regional cooperation aim at giving a well-deserved spotlight to all the actors working tirelessly to make the Mediterranean a better place for all.

Click or scan the QR code to discover our uplifting cooperation stories.





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