

Joint Plastic Busters workshop on creating synergies for consolidating the fight against marine litter in the Mediterranean Region

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Background and workshop rationale

The Joint Plastic Busters workshop on creating synergies for consolidating the fight against marine litter in the Mediterranean aims to provide a concrete opportunity to the Interreg Med Plastic Busters MPAs project and the ENI CBC Med COMMON project, to get together and fully explore the potential for synergies towards ensuring aligned and synchronized marine litter activities throughout the Mediterranean. By bringing together other key players and projects from both the North and the South of the region, this workshop aims to set the basis for further operational synergies, dynamic cross-fertilization and capitalization processes in order to consolidate the fight against marine litter in the region.

Agenda

Time	Session Title	Speakers	Description
08.45 - 09.15	Registration		
09.15 - 09.30	Welcome remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isidro Gonzalez (UfM) Alessandra Sensi (UfM) 	
09.30 - 09.45	Agenda and scope of the workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M. Cristina Fossi (UNISI) 	
09.45 - 10.15	Introduction from the Interreg Med JS and ENI CBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Francesca Marcato (InterregMed) Vincent Ernoux (ENI CBC MED) 	
10.15 - 11.15	Plastic Busters MPAs – COMMON: building the axis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M. Cristina Fossi (UNISI) Serena Carpentieri, Stefania Di Vito, and Marina Focarile (Legambiente) <p>Moderated by Alessandra Sensi</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The vision, objectives and plan of activities of the two projects will be presented with the goal of identifying synergies in terms of topics covered and countries/MPAs involved, to ease transferring of ML best practices and measures. 20-minute presentation per project & 20 min Q&A
11.15 - 11.45	Coffee break		

11.45 - 13.00	ECAP and Marine Litter MED, WES, BlueMed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tatjana Hema, Christos Ioakeimidis, Pedro Fernandez (UNEP/MAP, MED POL, SCP/RAC): on EcAp MED II, Marine Litter MED, Cooperation Agreement with IMELS, Regional Cooperation Platform on Marine Litter, Mediterranean Marine Litter Node Thomais Vlachogianni (MIO-ECSDE) on WES Fabio Fava (UNIBO) on BlueMED <p>Moderated by Alessandra Sensi</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this section, representatives from the identified initiatives will present the scope, goals and expected outcomes of the respective projects. 15-minute presentation per representative & 15 min Q&A
13.00 - 13.15	Beyond Plastic Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lucile Courtial (Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation of the scope, goals and expected outcomes of the related initiative
13.15 - 14.30	Lunch Break		
14.30 - 14.45	Tackling Marine Litter in the Mediterranean: Knowledge & Tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carolina Pérez Valverde (MedCities) on the Interreg Med Biodiversity Protection Community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this session, an overview of the Marine Litter related Interreg Med projects will be presented, focusing on their achieved outcomes in terms of knowledge and tools
14.45 - 16.30	Mapping of projects, activities and outputs, as well as opportunities for synergies and associated gaps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interactive working session <p>Moderated by Thomais Vlachogianni</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this interactive session, participants will map initiatives and related deliverables focusing on both marine litter <i>Monitoring</i> and <i>Measures</i>. Participants will map out the context, geographical scope and timing of these deliverables. Next, participants will focus on identifying the opportunities for synergies and the associated gaps. End goal of this session is to arrive at a comprehensive picture of 1) ML-related activities in the region (both north and south), 2) the potential for synergies and 3) the associated gaps.
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee break		
17.00 - 17.30	Plastic Busters across the Mediterranean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alessandra Sensi (UfM) Maria Cristina Fossi (UNISI) Marina Focarile (Legambiente) <i>All attendees</i> <p>Moderated by Thomais Vlachogianni</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants will discuss the role PB MPAs and COMMON can play in the ML policy debate in the region. The outcomes of this workshop will contribute to the north-south dialogue towards consolidating the fight against Marine Litter.
17.30 - 17.45	Wrap-up and next steps		