How the UfM Works?

UfM’s political governance defines the priorities of its work through the adoption of common agendas in strategic areas.

43 Member States
Meet on a regular basis at the level of “Senior Officials” from the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, EU institutions and the League of Arab States.

Jordan and the EU are Co-Presidents
Co-decision and shared responsibility between the two shores of the Mediterranean.

Based in Barcelona
The UfM Secretariat is the platform to operationalise decisions taken by Member States.

UfM’s 6 Deputy Secretary Generals in charge of the following sector
Three DSGs are appointed by EU countries and three by Southern and Eastern countries.

- Economic Development and Employment
- Higher Education and Research
- Social and Civil Affairs
- Water, Environment and Blue Economy
- Energy and Climate Action
- Transport and Urban Development

3 P’s Methodology

Policy Framework
Ministerial Conferences
to define the priorities of UfM through the adoption of common agendas in key strategic areas

Regional Platforms
Experts’ fora
to gather over 25,000 stakeholders as a fundamental tool to exchange on ministerial mandates, identify best practices and promote concrete projects of cooperation

Regional Projects
Tangible impact
to support projects through technical expertise, networking opportunities in view of up-scaling them to a more regional level

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1. Syria suspended its membership to the UfM on December 1, 2011.
2. Libya has an observer status at the UfM.