



GREENERMED

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AXIS 1

List of GreenerMed
Supporting Projects,
Programmes
and Initiatives

Axis 1 | Support the transition to a green, circular and socially inclusive economy based on sustainable consumption and production practices and nature-based solutions

#	INITIATIVE	PROJECT NAME	SHORT DESCRIPTION	RUNNING UP TO (YEAR)	COUNTRIES INVOLVED
1	BlueMed	BlueMed Pilot Action on A Healthy Plastic-Free Mediterranean Sea	BlueMed Pilot Action on A Healthy Plastic-Free Mediterranean Sea Mapping and assessing the actions on place regarding marine plastic pollution in the EU and non-EU countries of the Mediterranean area to promote the circulation of good practices, R&I actions but also demonstration, communication and educations actions specifically addressed to face the challenges posed by marine litter in the Mediterranean Sea as a whole. 4 pillars: Key enabling knowledge for the Med (ecosystems, dynamics, pollution, coastal areas...). Enabling technology and capacity creation for the Med (transport, observing systems, off- shore platforms, cultural heritage) Key sectoral enablers in the Med (tourism, clusters, MSP, bioresources, ...). Cross-cutting enablers for blue jobs and blue growth (open science, skills...).	N/A	DZ, EG, FR, IL, IT, MA, ES, TN, TR
2	CBC	SME4SMARTCITIES	The increasing need for urban innovation will result in the development of a significant number of smart cities initiatives, creating new business opportunities for Mediterranean SMEs. If we want our cities to be efficiently managed and more liveable for communities, public authorities and SMEs have to work together to come up with the best technological solutions. SME4SMARTCITIES will make this collaboration possible by reinforcing the capacities of Mediterranean cities and SMEs. On the one the hand, the project will help cities to be the front-runners of innovation, in particular through the use of Public Procurement of Innovative solutions. On the other hand, the project will support Mediterranean SMEs in order to guarantee that their products and services meet the expectations and needs of smart cities.	2022	IL, IT, JO, PS, ES
3	CBC	FISHMEDNET	The project will train fisheries MSMEs in increasing their diversification and integration potential and favouring the development of new products and services. New business alliances will fill the integration gap among MSMEs by fostering common business models and marketing activities. Finally, the project will develop public authorities' capacities to encourage both a sustainable and successful development of the fishing sector.	2022	FR, IT, LB, PS, TN
4	CBC	CROSSDEV	CROSSDEV expects to increase tourism competitiveness and attractiveness of less known destinations and rural areas, enhancing the Cultural Routes experiences such as those of the Council of Europe (e.g. Phoenicians Route and IterVitis), Palestine (Abraham Path) and Jordan (Jordan Trail). To achieve this goal, the project will set up a cross-border tourism framework to enhance sustainable tourism policies, to promote tourism-related business and to develop community-led action plans. CROSSDEV will enable to increase skills and knowledge, contributing to better tourism practices which benefit socio-economic development and the protection of the environment and cultural heritage.	2022	IT, JO, LB, PS

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5	CBC	MEDPEARLS	Med Pearls aims at internationally positioning the Mediterranean as a unique and integral destination to experience the Med lifestyle through SlowTourism (ST), inviting travellers to discover sustainably and responsibly new destinations while taking time to have direct contact with local communities. The project will deliver a set of 26 new ST products created by local Destination Management Companies (DMCs) and ICT enterprises thanks to financial and technical support called Product Development and Innovation Facilities. The idea is to create similar experiences based on the typology of products and themes agreed among partners, therefore, visitors will live similar experiences, of the same quality, in any of the 13 areas targeted by Med Pearls.	2022	EG, EL, IT, JO, PS, ES
6	CBC	MEDUSA	By designing and testing routes and itineraries that offer improved adventure tourism products, MEDUSA will contribute to job creation and income for local communities in the medium and long term. Moreover, the project has the potential to reveal lesser-known destinations and attract tourists throughout the year.	2022	IT, JO, LB, ES, TN
7	CBC	TEX-MED Alliances	Aims to support Mediterranean textile/clothing MSMEs in developing high performance innovation, accessing new international markets and exploiting the high potentialities of the circular economy. EXPECTED ACHIEVEMENTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 31 support initiatives for the internationalization, innovation and technology upgrading and circular economy in the textile/clothing industry.• 34 MSMEs participating in key business events and internationalization/innovations fairs.• 1 open forum on circular economy to share best practices in the textile/clothing industry.• 4 business to business events gathering at least 123 MSMEs.• 22 MSMEs participating in new Euro-Mediterranean business alliances and partnerships.	2022	EG, EL, IT, JO, PS, ES, TN
8	CBC	GIMED	Strengthening eco-innovative entrepreneurship is a recognised solution even though green ventures face a complex set of challenges including limited access to funding, underdeveloped markets and fragmented support from sector stakeholders. GIMED aims at boosting the development of eco-innovative ventures in order to create employment and drive the green and circular economy in the Mediterranean. The project will implement a United Nations-backed 'Green Entrepreneurship Standard' that will standardise the supportive inputs needed to generate successful ventures and will give those ventures a mark of quality to better access finance and markets. On the ground, the project will train and coach eco-innovators and encourage financiers to invest in the Mediterranean eco-innovation sector.	2022	EG, IT, LB, PS, ES, TN
9	CBC	MEDARTSAL	The project will define a sustainable and adaptable management model for artisanal salinas including, among others, a marketing strategic plan and a biodiversity strategy. With this aim, MedArtSal project addresses both salinas managers and institutional policy-makers. On the one hand, salinas managers will receive up-to-date training on how an artisanal salina should be managed in order to remain competitive, especially by diversifying products. On the other hand, institutional policy-makers will help build the management model which will be further tested in two artisanal salinas in Spain and Tunisia. Finally, a network of Artisanal Mediterranean Salinas will be created to capitalize the project results in the long run.	2022	IT, LB, ES, TN

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10	CBC	MEDSNAIL	Many challenges are threatening the Mediterranean agro-food sector like the gradual loss of local varieties, a high sectorial fragmentation, rural poverty (mostly affecting women) and limited investment capacity of rural entrepreneurs, lack of training on socio-environmental sustainability, weak business planning and marketing strategies. Moreover, EU food security regulations represent a barrier for many small producers from non-EU countries. MedSNAIL will address these issues by fostering the enhancement and development of small-scale traditional agro-food value chains that will offer increased business opportunities and more socio-environmental sustainability. The project will build on the well-established experience and methods of SlowFood, an international grassroots organization promoting traditional food with a strong focus on biodiversity preservation.	2022	IT, JO, LB, MT, PS, ES, TN
11	CBC	ORGANIC ECOSYSTEMS	Organic agriculture is still relatively underdeveloped in Mediterranean countries with heterogeneous situations from country to country. Main shared challenges are inconsistent or lacking support policies from national/local governments, low innovation capacities, limited knowledge of sustainable farming practices, and a weak value chain where MSMEs operate in a disaggregated way. ORGANIC ECOSYSTEM project aims at reducing these obstacles and make the MSMEs operating in organic agriculture more competitive and better integrated. The project intends to establish a cross-border agro-food ecosystem which will set the ground for the development of the Mediterranean whole organic sector. This will be encouraged through new business alliances, creation of innovative value chains, and specialized support provided to MSMEs to increase the quality and the commercialization of products and their capacities to access to new markets.	2022	EL, IT, JO, LB, ES, TN
12	CBC	BESTMEDGRAPE	Based on the R&D experience of the partners in the fields of grape valorization, waste exploitation and development of nanotechnological antioxidant/anti-inflammatory/anti-neurodegenerative formulations, BESTMEDGRAPE aims at supporting the creation of new startups/SMEs by transferring scientific/technological knowledge on local grape cultivars and the exploitation of wine by-products as a source of bioactive compounds that can be transformed into innovative commercial health products. Hence, the project will not only valorise a Mediterranean product - grape - but also the expansion of the grape value chain through the development of nanotechnological products, thus boosting the local economy, reducing environmental pollution and increasing employment opportunities.	2022	FR, IT, JO, LB, TN
13	CBC	LIVINGAGRO	The identification and implementation of innovative value chains in agroforestry will create new opportunities for local communities in terms of sustainable farming practices and products diversification. In addition, food production stability will be improved over time, providing agricultural products of high quality while coping with limited resources and environmental constraints and generating increased farmers' income. Finally, the project will lead to different innovations with high business potential in the fields of agricultural machinery, food products, omics techniques, optimised uses of agricultural, forestry and breeding by-products and residues. A specific focus will be on olive multifunctional system (Living Laboratory 1) and grazed woodlands (Living Laboratory 2). Olive cultivation is representative of many Mediterranean rural areas, and traditionally olive orchards were and are often still managed as agroforestry systems, in combination with cereals, fodder legumes and/or pasture. Grazed woodlands are major agroforestry systems in the Mediterranean that highly contribute to sustaining Mediterranean local economies supplying both vegetal and animal products.	2022	EL, IT, JO, LB

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14	CBC	GREENinMED	GREENinMED project proposes an integrated approach for the development of new products and services addressed to the efficient use of water and energy and reduction in consumption by 10% in the hotel industry. The project will develop eco-innovative products such a seawater air conditioning, water and energy-saving devices for spa, garden irrigation and industrial cold generation. GREENinMED will upgrade the eco-innovation capacities of Mediterranean SMEs in the hotel sector and create more dynamic innovation ecosystems, thanks to a cross-border learning process and dedicated financial support. By addressing the challenges of environmental sustainability in the hotel sector, GREENinMED project will reduce the negative footprint of the tourism industry and spread knowledge about efficient water and energy consumption solutions.	2022	FR, IL, ES
15	CBC	MAIA-TAQA	Despite the fact that the southern Mediterranean countries have an increasing need for resource efficiency (RE) services - consulting, engineering and operations - to cope with the increased pressure on the environment, the supply of RE services remains limited. This is mainly due to the lack of an appropriate innovation process able to identify needs, structure solutions and market them. MAIA-TAQA will address these problems by setting up pilot actions in 3 Mediterranean areas where innovative services will be applied: they will be linked to micro-grids, photovoltaics, energy storage, solar thermal technologies and sanitation. and water purification. The partners will develop solutions for each identified obstacle: a capacity building program (to address the skills gap); an innovation window (due to lack of information); guidelines (lack of regulation); economic aids (due to lack of funding) and targeted B2B events (due to poor networking). The main final beneficiaries are SMEs (in particular those in the environment, public services and construction sector) which will have a set of instruments to overcome existing obstacles and reduce the risks associated with innovation. .	2022	EG, EL, IT, JO, LB, ES
16	CBC	INNOaGROwOmED	InnovAgroWoMed project aims at boosting women labor participation and entrepreneurship, by leveraging on the potential of the agri-food sector - an industry closely linked to the cultural identity of the Mediterranean region - and showing a significant level of untapped potential in terms of innovation and growth. While countries such as Spain and Italy feature comparatively high levels of growth in the agri-food sector, albeit, with very low levels of women participation, the MENA agricultural business is still fragmented, and with low women employment. This project will focus on two European regions (Valencia, Spain and Sicily, Italy) and two MENA areas (Béja and Médenine in Tunisia, and Palestine), identified as suitable for the implementation and scaling up of a sustainable value model in the agri-food sector: Rural Social Innovation (RSI). RSI redefines the boundaries between organizations and the community, addressing broader societal challenges by seeking economic, social and environmental sustainability, balancing tradition and innovation and explicitly seeking community development at the local level.	2022	IT, PS, ES, TN
17	CBC	RESMYLE	RESMYLE mobilizes 9 Mediterranean operators (cooperatives, associations, universities) in 5 countries (France, Italy, Jordan, Lebanon and Tunisia) around 3 complementary areas of intervention: the inclusion of sustainable development topics in the support actions carried out by the organizations (associations, social centers working on integration of NEETS in the Mediterranean); the testing of a set of hands-on field trainings for young people focusing on sustainable development and based on mobility, intercultural exchanges and real environmental issues; the creation of a Mediterranean network of eco-incubators of youth-led activities based on a common method and shared tutoring/ trainings.	2022	FR, IT, JO, LB, TN

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18	CBC	CLIMA	he CLIMA project, and its regional platform of Italian, Tunisian and Lebanese municipalities, public agencies and NGOs, aims to cope with environmental, economic and social problems of organic waste mismanagement in three Mediterranean countries, developing policy tools like integrated Municipal Waste Management Plans, innovative technical solutions such as the compost drum and two improved pilot compost sites. At the same time, the project will support local businesses active in the circular economy sector, as well as information and advocacy campaigns to change citizens' attitude towards zero waste paradigm. Through the project, around 80,000 citizens in 3 municipalities will benefit from the reduction of waste production due to the increase of treated organic waste.	2022	IT, LB, TN
19	CBC	MED-INA	The MED-InA project proposes to develop and roll out a methodology for a "Zero Waste" public policy adapted to Mediterranean cities as an exemplary and participatory approach for waste reduction, reuse and recycling. The Zero Waste approach offers an alternative option and aims to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfills or incinerators through waste prevention, reuse, recycling and development of local activities. To adapt this ambitious approach to the Mediterranean context, the MED-InA project will develop a methodology co-designed by the partners, based on a wide consultation with local stakeholders (public, private, associations, citizens) and territorial coordination. It will place the citizens at the heart of the process and will strongly value a "low tech-low cost" approach by promoting in the South and reintegrating in the North traditional practices that generate little quantity of waste.	2022	FR, JO, LB, ES, TN
20	CBC	COEVOLVE4BG	The Co-Evolve4BG project aims at analyzing and promoting the co-evolution of human activities and natural eco-systems in touristic coastal areas, towards sustainable development of tourist activities based on the principles of Integrated Coast Zone Management (ICZM) and Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP), promoting at the same time Blue Growth in the Mediterranean. The analysis and the demonstration actions foreseen by the project will enhance sustainable coastal and maritime tourism development fully exploiting the Blue Economy potential, promoting the creation of business and job opportunities in the field of ecosystem-oriented services, coastal and maritime tourism, coastal management and adaptation to climate change. Co-Evolve4BG will take advantage from the methodology of the CO-EVOLVE project that was funded by the Interreg MED Programme and extend its main actions towards the South & East Mediterranean through the integration of new pilot areas. Finally, Co-Evolve4BG is part of a wider project, "Med Coast for Blue Growth" labelled by the 43 Countries of the Union for the Mediterranean.	2022	EL, IT, LB, ES, TN
21	CBC	INNOMED-UP	Promoting UPcycling in Circular Economy through INNovation and education for creative industries in MEDiterranean cities. Adoption of circular economy procedures within Cultural and Creative Industries; shift local urban economies towards a circular production and consumption paradigm including optimal use of material resources, innovation enhancement for SMEs, knowledge transfer among cities, social inclusion and citizens' engagement.	2022	EL, IT, JO, PS, TN
22	CBC	CEOMED	Reduce municipal waste generation, promote source-separated collection and the optimal exploitation of the organic component by recovering energy and recycling nutrients. Design of new waste management plans in the cities of Amman and Sfax which focus and address separately the waste produced from fruits and vegetables wholesale markets.	2022	EL, IT, JO, ES, TN
23	CBC	DECOST	DECOST aims to develop a new framework of waste management, building a closed-loop system of organic waste valorisation, integrating decentralised home and community composting systems with urban agriculture.	2022	IL, IT, JO, PS, ES

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24	CBC	SIRCLES - Support for Circular Economy Opportunities for Employment and Social Inclusion	SIRCLES partners want to explore new employment opportunities by applying the circular economy model applied to the biowaste sector. The project will mainly focus on developing new capacities oriented to business development and separation, collection, composting and agriculture processes. The training will be tested through 7 pilot projects that address the hotel, food retail and household sectors, adjusted to the diverse local contexts of each territory involved in the project. Consequently, SIRCLES will contribute to the creation of green jobs by involving the most vulnerable sectors of the population and supporting environmental sustainability.	2023	EG, IT, JO, LB, PS, ES, TN
25	CBC	Med4Waste	Med4Waste aims to facilitate new governance models for integrated and efficient urban waste management policies across the Mediterranean through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - building and improving existing knowledge to foster capitalisation of social innovative, integrated and efficient practices from public, private and social sectors in WM across the MSB, with special focus on waste prevention, circular economy practices and on the organic component - offering guidance and training for public administration and relevant private and social stakeholders, to apply transferring actions and exploitation measures and to support planning, adapting and re-addressing of waste management plans, policies and other manaement actions and normative drivers (regulations, financial plans, service contracts) - supporting dissemination of the key results and increase awareness among key stakeholders, promote cross-border and cross-sectorial networking, and foster long-term commitment of decision and policy makers to promote an environmental , socio-economic and institutional transition towards green growth in MSB. 	2023	EL, IT, JO, LB, ES, TN
26	CSF IPA II	NAGE - Networking and Advocacy for Green Economy	The overall objective of the project is to provide support to enhance the policy and decision-making impact of Balkan Rural Development Network (BRDN) and its constituents, through involvement in the agricultural and rural program and policy reform processes for introduction of the green economy concept. The project has three specific objectives: 1) Strengthening of the grassroots’ CSOs capacities in generic work, advocacy and networking, to be able to sustain their role of agricultural and rural reform advocates, in transparent and accountable way; 2) Introduction of the concept of green economy as unique cross-cutting entrepreneurial model for rural diversification and sustainability; 3) BRDN and its constituents use evidence-based policy development and rights-based advocacy to foster the national EU CAP approximation processes and promote green economy.	2021	AL, BA, HR, ME
27	CSF IPA II	GEAR – Green Economy for Advanced Region	The project aim to increase the activities and impact of civil society organizations from Albania, Montenegro, Serbia, B&H and Macedonia in the environmental protection through networking strengthening their capacities and promoting green economy. A three-year project will be implemented in the above-mentioned countries, and its main activities include trainings for representatives of civil society organizations on green economy, public advocacy and lobbying, participation in decision making, monitoring of public policies, project cycle management, etc., familiarization with good practice models in green economy and green entrepreneurship through study visit to EU and presentations organized in the target countries, sub-granting for civil society organizations, regional conferences on green economy and green entrepreneurship, development of a Study on possibilities for the development of green economy in the target region, etc.	2021	AL, BA, ME

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28	ENI South	SwitchMed II	<p>Stimulate the creation of business opportunities and employment while reducing the environmental footprint of existing economic activities.</p> <p>Capitalizing on the results and lessons learned from Phase I, Phase II is structured with three main components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct support to the private sector • Creation of an enabling policy environment • Coordination, networking and communication <p>Focus: Increasing Resource Efficiency in value chains; Integrating Sustainable Consumption and Production patterns into national strategies; Promote low-carbon economy; Reinforcement of rural development by promoting new circular business models and green economy; Public awareness raising and capacity building</p>	2022	DZ, EG, IL, JO, LB, MA, PS, TN
29	ENI South	WES	<p>Water and Environment Support in the ENI Southern Neighbourhood region. The project's purpose is to contribute to increase the capacity of various stakeholders involved in pollution reduction and water management in order to support them in formulating and implementing the environmental and water policies. It will be building on the experience gained through the predecessor projects, the "Sustainable Water Integrated Management and Horizon 2020 Support Mechanism" (SWIM-H2020 SM) project 2016-2019 and the "Sustainable Water Integrated Management Support Mechanism (SWIM SM) project 2010-2015. Regional activities will be comprising of Regional Trainings, Peer-to-Peer exchanges, Webinars, Study Tours. On:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic 1: Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter • Topic 2: Circular Economy (Support the shift to sustainable consumption and production; Waste management schemes and streams) • Topic 3: Prevention & Reduction of Pollution from Industrial Sector • Topic 4: Mainstreaming & Implementing Integrated Environmental Management 	2023	DZ, EG, IL, JO, LB, MA, PS, TN
30	GEF	<p>Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme):</p> <p>Enhancing Environmental Security</p> <p>- CP1.1: Reducing Pollution from harmful Chemicals and Wastes in Mediterranean Hot Spots and Measuring Progress to Impacts</p>	<p>Focus on promoting the prevention of the use of toxic chemicals, instead of the more traditional approach to management (waste, disposal,...). It will address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PFOS (perfluorooctane sulfonic acid) - SCP/RAC will target Civil Defense and public firefighting organizations, as these are the single largest users of PFOS foams; and also due to the direct application of large volumes of foams directly onto soil and surface waters. • HBCD (Hexabromocyclododecane) - SCP/RAC will target importers of EPS/XPS pellets and manufacturers of EPS/XPS insulation panels and architects, engineers, financiers and standard setting and procurement bodies who may have a role in setting specifications for building developments. • SCCP (short-chain chlorinated paraffins) - SCP/RAC will target the whole sector of PVC production in Lebanon, which is known to use large quantities of chlorinated paraffins, used in sectors such as paints and sealants, metal working fluids, lubricants and rubber. 	N/A	LB, MA, TN
31	GIZ	Integrated Waste Management and Marine Litter Prevention in the Western Balkans	Local and national stakeholders in waste and recycling management in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro are identifying the causes and effects of water pollution. They are reducing the amounts of waste that enter the Mediterranean Sea and contributory rivers.	2022	AL, BA, ME

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32	Interreg med (biodiversity protection)	FishMPABLue 2	The project tested a “Small Scale Fisheries governance toolkit” in 11 Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and assessing its ecological effectiveness, benefits and the social acceptance of management measures. The “MPA Pilot Implementation Plans” involved capacity building for local fishermen, and governance measures. The benefits were measured through an environmental and socio-economic monitoring campaign.	2022	HR, FR, EL, IT, SL, ES
33	Interreg med (green growth)	Interreg Med Green Growth Community	Community of 14 innovation projects in the field of green growth. It supports participating projects in communication and capitalization efforts to increase their impact at policy level and ensure potential transfer and replication of results to other actors and territories. It has 4 focus areas: Food systems, Eco-Innovation, Smart Cities and Waste Management. Four Thematic Working Groups related to the EU Circular Economy Action plan were created: Resource Efficiency, Green and Smart Public Services, Waste Prevention and Management, Competitiveness and Innovation. Horizontal project.	2022	AL, BA, HR, CY, FR, EL, IT, MT, ME, PT, SL, ES
34	Interreg med (green growth)	ESMARTCITY	Testing solutions and pilot implementation in the field of intelligent urban districts, energy efficiency of buildings and smarter public lighting; Green Paper on Innovation Policy Change.	2022	BA, FR, EL, IT, PT, ES
35	Interreg med (green growth)	ARISTOIL	Support the competitiveness and innovation of the Mediterranean olive oil producers by developing a commonly accepted method for measuring olive oil ingredients related to a standardised procedure for an olive oil “Health Claim” certification.	2022	HR, CY, EL, IT, ES
36	Interreg med (green growth)	EMBRACE	Toolkit for SMEs, Intermediary Organizations, Clusters and Policy Makers in the agro-food and wine sectors engaged in transforming their businesses or “ecosystem” work streams in a circular way.	2022	BA, FR, EL, IT, PT, SL, ES
37	Interreg med (green growth)	REINWASTE	Identification and testing of solutions to optimise the use of bio-based packaging materials and to redesign products and processes in the dairy, meat and horticulture sectors (mapping of Best Available Technologies (BATs) and Key Enabling Technologies (KETs).	2022	BA, FR, IT, ES
38	Interreg med (green growth)	RE-LIVE WASTE	Testing of innovative solutions for livestock waste management, taking into account technical, environmental, economic and legal aspects (4 demonstrative plants). Policy guidelines to stimulate innovation adoption and to set-up a common suitable legal framework regarding livestock waste management.	2022	BA, CY, IT, ES
39	Interreg med (green growth)	finMED	“Support service tool” to aid entrepreneurship in the access to finance, provided to SMEs by Clusters and Business Support Organisations (BSOs). Policy Procedures for the delivery of green growth policies able to assure proper financing to innovation in the involved project regions.	2022	BA, CY, FR, EL, IT, MT, PT, SL, ES
40	Interreg med (green growth)	CrealInnovation	CREAINNOVATION SUSTAINABILITY EVALUATION TOOL (CISSET) to be used for qualitative assessment of economic, social and environmental sustainability of innovation projects, and as a checklist on sustainability to be used in the generation of innovation projects. Design, launch and testing of e-Labs for Creative Innovation where product, process, marketing and organisational innovation is produced (SMEs, managers and young people working together).	2022	BA, HR, FR, EL, IL, ME, PT, SL, ES
41	Interreg med (green growth)	GREEN MIND	strengthen the clusters and agencies to support SMEs in exploiting the market opportunities of green and smart mobility products and services (supports market intelligence, public funding screening and B2B matchmaking services).	2022	BA, HR, FR, EL, IT, SL, ES

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42	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	Interreg Med Sustainable Tourism Community	Created in November 2016 within the framework of the Interreg MED Programme, the MED Sustainable Tourism Community has been renewed for a three-year period until June 2022 to make tourism a real driver for inclusive and sustainable growth. The Community’s members are leading the development of innovative tools to monitor the tourism industry, they are studying and testing new tourism models and they are actively engaging policy makers and managers in a constant dialogue to make tourism a real driver for inclusive and sustainable development. Horizontal project.	2022	BA, HR, CY, FR, EL, IT, MC, ME, PT, SL, ES
43	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	Co-Evolve	It aimed at analysing and promoting the co-evolution of human activities and natural systems in touristic coastal areas. It coupled an analysis of threats and enabling factors for sustainable tourism with local studies and pilot actions in seven representative Pilot Areas, to demonstrate the effectiveness of an Integrated Coastal Zone Management/ Maritime Spatial Planning-based planning process. The project has integrated the “CO-EVOLVE Tourism Typology”: a three-tier system (composed by core indicators, destination indicators and pilot area-specific indicators) in their “Tourism Sustainability Evaluation Tool”. The project has been capitalised by ENI CBC Co-Evolve4BG.	2022	HR, FR, EL, IT, ES
44	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	BLUEMED	The project studied the natural, cultural, and legislative conditions of selected locations in the Mediterranean region. It also aimed at protecting marine ecosystem and underwater cultural resources, while making them publicly accessible by promoting the concept of Underwater Museums and organised underwater archaeological sites. Finally, the project wanted to promote a sustainable and responsible model of tourism development for selected regions of the Mediterranean.	2022	HR, CY, EL, IT, ES
45	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	CONSUME-LESS	It aimed to contribute to sustainable water, energy and waste management with particu-lar focus on the reduction in the consumption of water and energy as well as waste reduction through prevention of waste generation in the tourism sector. The project foresaw the creation of a “Consume-Less” label as an indication that environmental concerns could be translated into tourism market advantages. The idea was to promote and heighten tourist awareness on certified hotels, bars and restaurants through the innovative marketing campaign of the Consume-Less label.	2022	AL, EL, IT, MT, ES
46	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	LABELSCAPE	A certification given to the Mediterranean destinations to guarantee visitors a responsible use of natural resources, and to recognise their will to follow the principles of sustainable development. This is the project’s aim: not to create new labels, but rather to capitalize on existing certifications. This will be achieved through: thematic workshops and exchange forums, an online platform for capacity buil-ding, the implementation of a social inclu-sion policy at territorial level and a new draft framework regulation at program level.	2022	HR, FR, EL, IT, PT, SL, ES
47	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	MITOMED+	The main objective of the project was to en-hance the sustainability and responsibility of Maritime and Coastal tourism. To achieve this, the project increased knowledge and social dialogue regarding the development of the Maritime and Coastal (M&C) tourism in each partner region for better decision-making. In addition, it improved M&C tourism planning at destination level and its coordination for a transnational governance and the setup of an Interreg MED M&C tourism model.	2022	HR, VY, FR, IT, ES

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48	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	TOURISMED	The project aimed at testing and transferring a fishing tourism business model in the Mediterranean coastal territories. It sought to promote a sustainable approach to tourism, while fostering the preservation of the marine ecosystem and traditional fishing culture. Facing challenges such as the worrying de-pletion of marine resources, the decline of the artisanal fishing sector and the negative impacts of tourism, the project’s results deal with an improved use of resources by artisa-nal fishers, a diversification of income in the sector and a better valorisation of coastal tra-ditional heritage and local seafood. A mobile app (Fishing Tourism) and a web platform (fi-shingtourism.net) were created, to always be updated on itineraries and get in touch with fishermen involved in the project.	2022	AL, CY, FR, EL, IT, ES
49	Interreg med (sustainable tourism)	INCIRCLE	It capitalises the available knowledge and tools to test a new methodology, which ap-plies the principles of circular economy to tourism. It focalises on the needs of islands and regions with low population density. Mo-bility, renewable energy and energy efficiency, water and waste management, improvement of the prosperity and quality of life in the com-munities: those are the policies developed by the project. Lasting and easily adaptable re-sults are expected: they will lead to concrete and testable tools and to the capacity to at-tract other funding.	2022	Al, CY, EL, IT, MT, ES
50	IPA II	EU Environment Partnership Programme for Accession (EPPA) in the Western Balkans and Turkey	The overall objective of the programme is to strengthen the implementation of the EU environmental acquis in the Western Balkans and Turkey in areas relevant for addressing trans-boundary environmental issues. The purpose of the project is to assist the European Commission in providing the Secretariat of the EU Environment Partnership Programme for Accession (EPPA).	2022	AL, BA, ME, TR
51	PRIMA	TRANSITION - InnovaTive Resilient fArmiNg Systems in MediTerranean envlronments	The goal of TRANSITION is to pave the way for a transition towards resilient agriculture in the Mediterranean, maximising the net positive impact on the environment, while increasing resilience of agroecosystems, rural societies and return on assets of farmers. This is done by analysing the most relevant innovative solutions in resilient agroforestry and mixed farming systems using a participatory approach. TRANSITION will i) identify appropriate strategies for adoption to improve resilience of the agriculture sector, including using locally-adapted genetic resources, unconventional water reuse and soil protection strategies, ii) establish what are the environmental and socio-economic barriers to resilient agriculture implementation, iii) quantify the system productivity and delivery of ecosystem services of existing systems and co-designed and replicable case studies and their effect on farmers’ livelihoods, iv) empower the expansion of agroforestry and mixed farming systems through practical innovation and knowledge exchange and v) provide robust information which is useful to administration in terms of measurable impacts and possible transition scenarios which maximise ecological services delivery and resilience of key Mediterranean cropping systems.	2023	DZ, EG, FR, EL, IT, ES

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52	PRIMA	NEWFEED	Turn food industry by-products into secondary feedstuffs via circular-economy schemes. The objective of this Innovation Action is the development and adoption of alternative animal feeds setting up a circular economy approach in the livestock production by turning the by-products of the food industry into high value secondary feedstuff for animal feed. The project also focusses on the increase of the sustainability of the Mediterranean livestock through the valorisation of local food industry by-products that will lead to reduced environmental impact and costs. The overall methodology focuses on activities directly aiming at testing and demonstrating the technical and economic viability of alternatives feed resources from improved food industry by-products in the Mediterranean Area.	2024	EG, EL, ES, TR
53	PRIMA	SUSTAvianFEED	Alternative animal feeds in Mediterranean poultry breeds to obtain sustainable products. It aims to demonstrate innovative poultry farming systems by the inclusion of sustainable animal feeding. A sustainable nutritional formula for poultry farming in which insects will play a key role will be developed. Thus, the sustainability of poultry feeding will be the mainstream of the development of an innovative and sustainable livestock farming system. The sustainable nutritional formula for poultry farming will be developed through the use of insects and the substitution of environmentally damaging protein sources (as soybean or fishmeal) by regional agri-food sector by-products in order to follow circular economy principles. SUSTAvianFEED approach will also promote local economy, socioeconomic growth and local resilience of Mediterranean areas. Furthermore, the project aims to contribute towards the transition to a more sustainable farming system by the implementation of circular economy approaches, as the involvement of smallholders, consumers, and other relevant actors or promotion of local agriculture and livestock farming. In addition, the inclusion of native and local species, adapted to each ecosystem, will significantly contribute to the reduction resources consumption regarding basic needs as energy or water consumption. SUSTAvianFEED considers as a crucial aspect of the project its social impacts, so it will promote gender equality and women empowerment in pilot activities. The project will develop a multi-actor approach, so relevant actors of the whole value chain are involved.	2024	IT, ES, TN, TR
54	PRIMA	MEDWEALTH	Development of new wheat-derived foods of the Mediterranean diet with improved nutritional and health value. It proposes to develop durum wheat-derived products typical of Mediterranean Diet with improved nutritional value and new technological properties. Further, the use of durum wheat in the Mediterranean tradition is often done in mixture with different crops. At this regard, MEDWHEALTH will develop new products (pasta, couscous, home-made bread) with barley and lentil mixtures, as such or malted to reduce the main anti-nutritional compounds. MEDWHEALTH will also evaluate the protective actions of a diet based on the consumption of durum wheat-based foods improved in fiber content and protective bioactive compounds such as micronutrients and health-promoting phytochemicals on chronic metabolic and inflammatory diseases. Indeed, information and data gathered from fields, laboratories, sensorial analyses and piloting processing plants will be used to assess production costs and environmental impact of new products. These estimates are aimed to evaluate the potential development of a new value chain based on re-formulated products (pasta, couscous, freekeh, bulgur), against the conventional durum wheat-based products, focusing on the gains that downstream value chain actors can achieve.	2024	DZ, IT, LB, MA, TN, TR

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55	PRIMA	LENSES	Learning and action aliancEs for NexuS EnvironmentS. The project argues that this is possible only through the activation of inclusive nexus partnerships, the Learning & Action Alliances (LAAs). The objective for the pilot Alliances in the Med region is to design and implement adaptive Nexus Management Strategies under future uncertainty that will co-progress the Nexus sectoral objectives of improved water allocation, enhanced food security and ecosystem preservation. This will help building resilient Nexus systems. In this context, LAAs will (a) co-produce new knowledge regarding Nexus interactions to support the development of Participatory System Dynamics Models at suitable spatial and temporal scales and (b) explore multiple co-developed scenarios of demographic change, climate change, socio-environmental, economic incentivization and regulatory policies. The LAAs and their activities are the means to (i) develop stakeholder trust, feed cross-sectoral exchange of knowledge and build shared visions, (ii) test the multi-dimensional efficacy of integrated policies aiming at improving system resilience, and (iii) build legitimacy for evidence-based decisions towards sustainable transitions. The project will leverage Ecosystem Services and Ecological/ Environmental Economics approaches and develop a Nexus-SDG toolkit to guide multi-objective policy- and decision-making in the pilot cases. Against this basis, Nature-based Solutions (NBS) addressing pilot-specific challenges will be planned and designed. This full cycle of interconnected activities gives confidence on the environmental, institutional, social and financial sustainability of the proposed solutions. On a policy level, LENSES will progress the linkage between the Climate Change Adaptation and Nexus management as a means to push forward the Nexus agenda.	2023	EL, IL, IT, JO, ES, TR
56	PRIMA	NEXUS-NESS	NEXUS Nature Ecosystem Society Solution: Fair and Sustainable Resource Allocation Demonstrator of the Multiple WEFE Nexus Economic, Social and Environmental Benefits for Mediterranean Regions: All four elements (water, food, energy and ecosystems) are 1) highly dependent on each other, 2) crucial for human well-being, and 3) impacting social cohesion and source of geopolitical conflicts. In Mediterranean regions the water scarcity and land degradation do not match sound and sustainable agricultural practices and often the protection of ecosystems is in conflict with economic growth. NEXUS-NESS aims to interlink consolidated Water-Energy-Food (WEF) Nexus data, knowledge and tools and a three-fold Ecosystem component value (i.e. Environment, Economy and Engagement) to produce a comprehensive Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem (WEFE) Nexus-NESS Service (NNS). The NNS service includes best practices for achieving high environmental protection, sustainable economic growth while delivering optimal resource management for the Mediterranean regions. The NEXUS-NESS project has three main objectives: 1) Co-Produce WEFE Nexus management plans for fair and sustainable allocation of resources by applying the NNS into real case conditions through the four Multi-Actor diverse NEXUS Ecosystem Labs (NELs); 2) Operationalize the adoption of the WEFE Nexus by co-defining short- to long-term resource management plans and hands-on guidance through application, validation and demonstration actions in the four NELs 3) Enable mindset change for the effective adoption of WEFE Nexus through the implementation of Innovation Ecosystems of private sector, academic, public authorities and citizens in the 4 NELs through the Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) Roadmap and the six RRI dimensions (public engagement, open science, science education, gender issues, ethics and institutional change through governance).	2023	CY, EG, FR, IT, ES, TN

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57	PRIMA	MEDITOMATO	The main goal of MEDITOMATO is to demonstrate innovative technology solutions along the whole tomato value chain enabling this Mediterranean sector to bring improvements at different levels (environmental, food quality & safety, sustainability, traceability, efficiency and water management) that will contribute to a consistent rural and social development of the Mediterranean agri-food sector. Comprises prototype assembly of in/on-line as well as portable system based on Vis-NIR spectroscopy for non-destructive quality monitoring; development of IoT-enabled irrigation systems to obtain water and energy savings; application of IoT to soil fertilization; microbiological Risk Analysis for food safety; on-site deployment of other IoT sensors for traceability and data analysis to optimize production rates; integration and demonstration of the proposed innovations in 3 locations (Spain, Italy and Turkey); quantified analysis of the status of the food supply chains benefits of the deployed solutions and study of the feasibility for replication in other Mediterranean countries.	2021	EL, IT, ES, TN, TR
58	PRIMA	VEG-ADAPT	To increase the tolerance of three important Mediterranean vegetable crops (tomato, pepper and melon) to stress induced by climate change in the Mediterranean region. To this end, the project will follow three lines of research: 1. Characterization and selection of local varieties and new hybrids tolerant to climate change; 2. Research on the physiological processes that contribute to the tolerance of these crops and related genetic markers; 3. Optimization of crop management techniques that reduce sensitivity to climatic stress.	2021	FR, EL, IT, JO, MA, ES, TR
59	PRIMA	AWESOME	Managing Water, Ecosystems and food across sectors and Scales in the South Mediterranean - The main objective is developing a decision-analytic platform based on a multi-level, integrated WEF model to better understand multi-sectoral WEF tradeoffs and to capitalize on potential synergies, also exploring the interdependencies and feedbacks across a hierarchy of spatial scales, from the macroeconomic development of the Mediterranean region and national scale, to regional planning at river basin scale, down to the single farm. The platform will allow simulating the impacts of alternative WEF planning portfolios composed of regional policies, river-basin strategic planning options, and innovative technological solutions demonstrated at the local scale, to generate shared economic, environmental, and societal benefits.	2023	EG, EL, IL, IT
60	PRIMA	BioFreshCloud	BioFreshCloud develops an integrated, innovative, and eco-friendly approach to assess optimal shelf-life and minimize food losses of strawberries and tomatoes produced in the Mediterranean region, by combining food biopreservation technologies, food modelling, and Food Cloud tools.	2023	MA, ES, TR
61	PRIMA	BIOPROMEDFOOD	BioProMedFood - Bio-protective cultures and bioactive extracts as sustainable combined strategies to improve the shelf-life of perishable Mediterranean food - aims are to enhance safety and quality of Mediterranean perishable products through the exploitation of two innovative and sustainable approaches, evaluated individually and in combination: the use of compounds with antioxidant and antimicrobial potential and the application of bio-protective or functional microbial cultures.	2023	HR, IT, SL, ES, TR
62	PRIMA	DAINME SME	Dairy innovation for Mediterranean SMEs - The aim of the project is to improve circular economy of the dairy SMEs, in the Mediterranean countries. This objective will be achieved through the introduction of innovative technologies, and the development of new valuable dairy products.	2022	EL, IT, PT, SL, ES, TR

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63	PRIMA	EADANMBRT	Evaluation and Development of Anaerobic Membrane Bioreactor - The objective of this project is to evaluate and develop anaerobic membrane bioreactor (AnMBR) technology to promote the reuse of unrestricted wastewater and mitigate compromised surface water quality in the Mediterranean region.	2023	EG, EL, LB, ES
64	PRIMA	FEDKITO	Fresh food sustainable packaging in the circular economy - The aim of FEDKITO is to setup innovative toolboxes to support Green Management for the insects and fungi that attack fresh foods in post farming. The smart packaging chitosan-based and biosensors developed within the project will reduce organic contaminants in fresh food, prolonging the shelf-life and improving its healthy attributes. According to the principles of circular economy Hermetia illucens larvae and pupae will be reared on fresh food waste to be used as a source of chitosan.	2023	FR, EL, IT, MA, TN
65	PRIMA	FUNTOMP	FunTomP - Functionalised Tomato Products - revaluates the traditional Mediterranean foods by considering global food trends and utilising new food processing technologies (MW, HHP and HPU). FunTomP will redesign tomato products with plant proteins and olive powder.	2025	HR, EL, IT, LB, PT, ES, TN, TR
66	PRIMA	HORTIMED	Towards circular horticulture: Closing the loop on Mediterranean greenhouses - The HortiMED project, aims to provide the Mediterranean horticultural community with innovative tools to enable resource efficient year-round greenhouse cultivation by harnessing the potential of both simple and advanced technologies for smart nutrient, irrigation & climate control, and integrated pest management taking into account their feasibility and cost-effectiveness at individual greenhouse level.	2024	DZ, EG, ES
67	PRIMA	IMPULSE	Innovation in the By-ProdUct Supply chain of citrus in Mediterranean area - ImPULSe aims to design innovative supply chain of citrus by-products in Mediterranean area, taking into consideration current socioeconomic situation of actors along the value chain, state of technology and organisational innovation within circular economy.	2024	DZ, EG, FR, TN, TR
68	PRIMA	ISFERALDA	Improving soil fertility in arid and semi-arid regions using local date palm residues - The project aims at developing the use of organic amendments based on local agriculture wastes, and more specifically the date palm residues (and optionally other vegetal or animal residues or mineral compounds), as a key tool in land restoration.	2024	DZ, FR, EL, TN
69	PRIMA	MEDISMART	Mediterranean Citrus: innovative soft processing solutions for S.M.A.R.T (Sustainable, Mediterranean, Agronomically evolved, nutRitionally enriched, Traditional) products - The project aim to test and validate the use of hydrogels prepared from citrus fruits as soil enhancers to increase the ability to retain water and for the conservation of nutrients in sandy soils.	2023	EG, IT, PT, SL, TR
70	PRIMA	NANO4FRESH	Nanomaterials for an environmentally friendly and sustainable handling of perishable products - The project aims to extend the shelf-life of perishable products, reducing post-harvest chemical treatments, food losses and wastes.	2023	IT, MA, PT, ES

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71	PRIMA	PULPING	Development of Pumpkin Pulp Formulation using a Sustainable Integrated Strategy - Pulping intends to stimulate and improve the sustainable valorisation of pumpkin in African and European countries in an integrative and waste-free manner. Pumpkin agronomic performance will be improved based on sustainable farming tools and the plant as a whole will be used, in a circular economy point of view.	2023	DZ, EG, EL, PT, TN
72	PRIMA	SAFROMFOOD	Valorisation of saffron and its floral by-products as sustainable innovative sources for the development of high added-value food products - The main objective of the project is to develop new innovative and added-value products from saffron and its floral by-products, improving the saffron quality in the Mediterranean area and turning it into a highly profitable botanical source.	2022	DZ, FR, IT, PT, ES
73	PRIMA	SIMTAP	Self-sufficient Integrated Multi-Trophic AquaPonic systems for improving food production sustainability and brackish water use and recycling - The objective of this project is to develop, in different climate and production contexts, an ecosystem-based approach for marine fish production and crop cultivation, in a circular economy perspective.	2022	FR, IT, MT, TR
74	PRIMA	STOPMEDWASTE	Innovative Sustainable technologies TO extend the shelf-life of Perishable MEDiterranean fresh fruit, vegetables and aromatic plants and to reduce WASTE - Project StopMedWaste aims to extend the shelf-life of this produce by applying physical means, natural compounds and biocontrol agents. These treatments will be applied in the laboratory, under semi-commercial conditions and in the packing houses. The effects of these treatments on fruit quality, decay, and development of food-borne pathogens will be monitored during storage, transportation and shelf-life, to define the impact of these treatments on food waste. Moreover, logistic solutions and ICT devices with remote control will monitor environmental conditions during storage and transportation.	2023	CY, IT, ES, TN, TR
75	PRIMA	SURFOLY	SUstainable Ruminants Feed with OLive pomace and polyPhenols enriched charred olive stone - SURFOLY is based on a circular economy approach to produce two innovative animal feeds for lactating and fattening small ruminants (sheeps and goats) in the Mediterranean area. The new feed contains olive oil by-products (pomace, stone and polyphenols from wastewaters) utilised in an innovative way to improve performance and product quality and reduce the overall environmental impact on the life cycle of the crop-livestock.	2025	IT, LB, MA
76	PRIMA	VALLCET	Valorise foods and Improve Competitiveness through Emerging Technologies applied to food by-products within the circular economy framework - ValICET will focus on the development of novel strategies for the valorisation of wastes and by-products from post-farming processes of Mediterranean agrifood systems and the design of eco-friendly methods (Pulsed electric fields, PEF; High-pressure homogenisation, HPH; supercritical waster extraction, SWE) to recover high-added-value bio-actives from being reintroduced in the agri-food chain as food ingredients/additives within the circular economy framework.	2024	FR, IT, PT, ES, TN

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