

UfM Med Youth Lab 2025 Final Pitch Event 02 October 2025 Piramida, Tirana, Albania

- Concept Note

The Final Pitch Event marks the culmination of the **UfM Med Youth Lab 2025**, an UfM initiative designed to enhance the project development and soft skills of young people (aged 18–30) across the Euro-Mediterranean region.

Program Overview

Participants will showcase the projects developed during a blended training journey, which included online modules in summer 2025 and three days of workshops in Tirana. Teams will pitch their proposals, which address one of three key thematic areas:

- Youth & Climate Adaptation
- Youth from Education to Work
- Youth in Peacebuilding

Morning Sessions: Opening and Project Pitches

The day will begin with institutional opening followed by structured pitches from each team, highlighting the projects they developed throughout the programme.

Afternoon Sessions: Networking and Collaboration

- **Speed Networking**: Participants will engage directly with Jury Members, receiving immediate feedback on their projects.
- Opportunities Fair: A dedicated space for participants to connect with selected
 organizations, initiatives, and businesses. This session allows for discussions on potential
 collaborations and future support for their projects. Organizations wishing to exhibit in
 the Fair must register in advance by filling in this form.
- At the close of the event, up to three teams will be selected to join an online mentorship
 programme hosted by the Euromed Innovation Center (UEMF), supporting the further
 development of their project ideas.

A Cocktail Reception will take place on 1 October at 20:30 at the Rooftop Piramida.

The UfM Med Youth Lab is organised by the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM), with the support of the German Development Cooperation (GIZ), the Ministry of State for Youth and Children of Albania, and the National Youth Agency of Albania, in partnership with Anna Lindh Foundation (ALF), European Institute of the Mediterranean (IEMed), and Euro-Mediterranean University of Fes (UEMF).



Draft Agenda

Opening and Project Pitches	
09:00 - 09:30	Accreditation
	Welcome & Opening Remarks
09:30 - 10:00	Ministry of State for Youth and Children, Albania (TBC) Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) German Development Cooperation (GIZ) Albanian National Youth Agency (AKR) (TBC)
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:00	Team Pitch Presentations
	Each team presents their project idea in five minutes.
Networking and Collaboration	
	Speed Networking – Juror Feedback
12:00 – 13:00	Each team meets with Jury Members grouped by thematic clusters for feedback and discussion.
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
	Opportunities Fair
14:00 – 15:00	Selected organisations, initiatives, projects, and businesses will showcase their intitaives and directly interact with partcipants.
	Organizations wishing to exhibit in the Fair must $\underline{register}$ in advance by filling in \underline{this} form.
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
	Award Ceremony & Closing Remarks
15:30 – 16:00	Announcement of selected teams for the UEMF mentorship program and closing reflections of the 2025 UfM Med Youth Lab.