

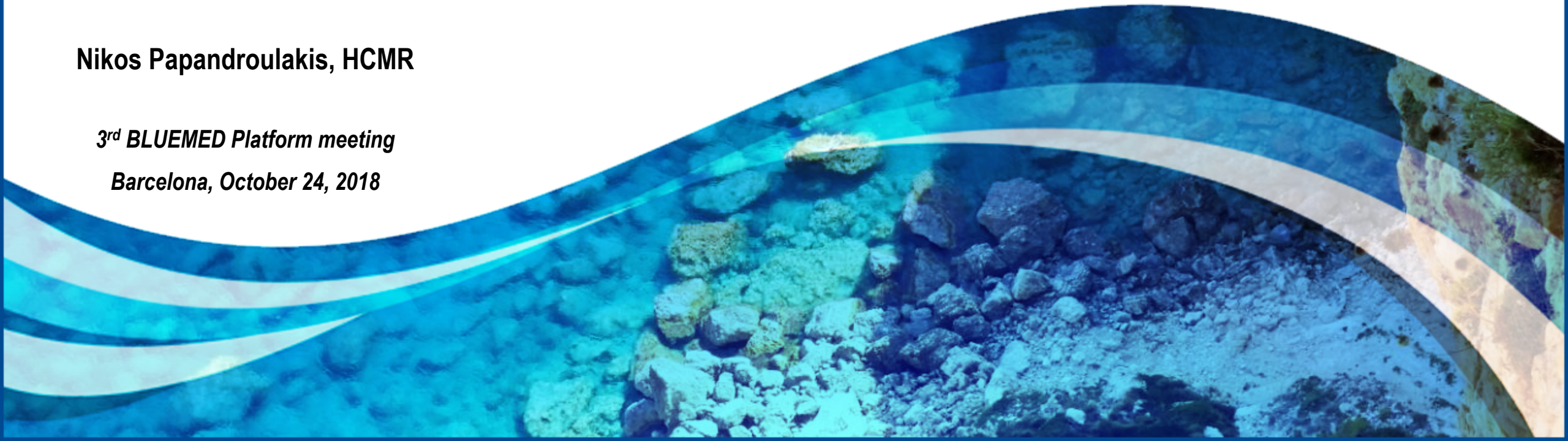


The BlueMed CSA Thematic Platforms

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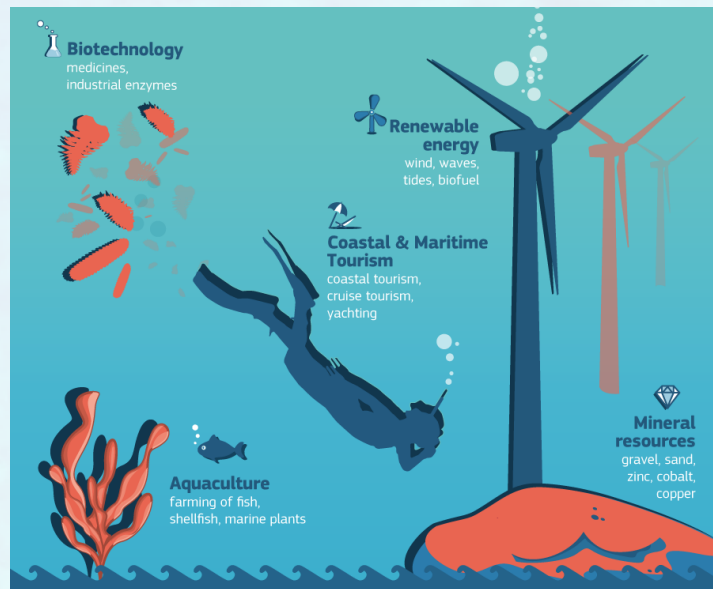
BlueMed

The Initiative

A shared strategic framework to foster integration of knowledge and efforts of the MED Countries to jointly create sustainable blue growth

The BlueMed CSA

- Aims at boosting **Blue Growth** in the Mediterranean by promoting the implementation of the BLUEMED SRIA, converting its outputs into actions



- Sets the frame for the effective coordination of research and innovation activities, **consolidating networks** and **establishing mechanisms** that will remain and be further developed after the conclusion of the project

The Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)

A living document designing a shared pattern to foster the blue growth in the Mediterranean area

- Targets multiple stakeholders and end-users
 - national ministries, regional authorities, research organizations, research infrastructures, academia, the private sector, non-governmental and international organizations and the public
- A set of challenges under three pillars,
 - knowledge
 - economy
 - technology and capacity creation



The BLUEMED SRIA

12 key challenges, a set of associated goals and a list of actions

Key enabling knowledge for the Mediterranean

- A. Mediterranean **Sea ecosystems**: services, resources, vulnerability and resilience to natural and anthropogenic pressures
- B. Mediterranean **Sea dynamics**: developing services in the field of sustainable **adaptation** and to **climate change** and plans for mitigation
- C. **Hazards and protection** of coastal areas in the Mediterranean

Key sectorial enablers in the Mediterranean

- A. Innovative **business** based on **marine bio-resources** in the Mediterranean
- B. Ecosystem-based management of Mediterranean **aquaculture and fisheries**
- C. Sustainable **tourism** in the Mediterranean
- D. **Maritime clusters** in the Mediterranean
- E. Maritime **Spatial Planning & Integrated Coastal Zone Management** in the Mediterranean

Enabling technology and capacity creation for the Mediterranean

- A. Smart, greener **maritime transport** and facilities in the Mediterranean
- B. **Observing systems** and operational oceanography capacities in the Mediterranean
- C. Multi-purpose **off-shore platforms** in the Mediterranean
- D. Marine and costal **cultural heritage** in the Mediterranean: discovering, protecting and valuing

How to achieve the update of the SRIA and an IP?

Need for

- cross-national communication among stakeholders
 - research
 - private sector
 - public administration &
 - civil society
- fora to address the needs of both the BlueMed countries and the Mediterranean as a whole
- a transnational network that will act as **dynamic observatory** to monitor the implementation of the SRIA

Platforms: the implementation tool

four thematic transnational interconnected Platforms at Mediterranean level

*The Platforms are conceived **as fora** where effective involvement of **a wide community** of public and private stakeholders from different sectors will take place. An **instrument** to ensure **constant dialogue**, consultation, and coordinated action to **keep the BLUEMED SRIA up to date** and **design the Implementation Plan**, giving support in the pursue of the objectives of the BLUEMED Initiative.*

- The BLUEMED CSA has - for the first time in the whole Mediterranean – established mechanisms, that will (can) remain and be further developed after the conclusion of the project, to promote the concrete and operational implementation of the BLUEMED SRIA.

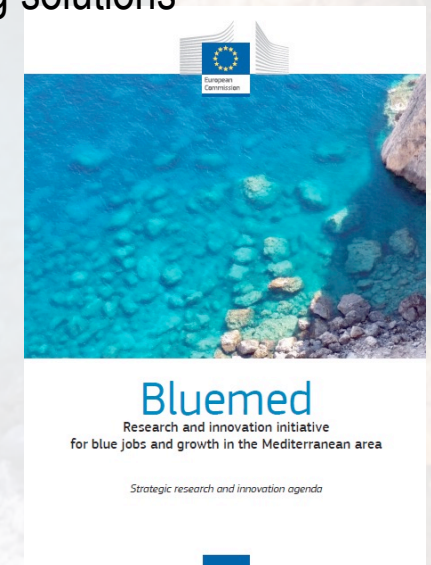
The Platforms (cont)

- Allow participation of stakeholders from different levels, regions, initiatives, etc
- Constitute operative environments where national representatives interact to convey the messages from their sectors
 - safeguarding continuous dialogue and consultation with the stakeholders at national level
- Fora to address the needs of the Mediterranean as a whole by promoting and supporting integrated efforts in **knowledge, technology, economy** and **policy**
- Expected to live after the CSA acting as transnational dynamic observatories to monitor, update and make the SRIA tangible in the Mediterranean



The Platforms (main results)

- The key outcomes are related to the update of the SRIA and its implementation plan (IP)
 - Recognize the needs and gaps in the key challenges, goals and actions of the SRIA
 - determining the spatiotemporal scale of implementation
 - analyzing relationships between actions and identifying synergies of priorities and in implementation time
 - identifying barriers (data infrastructure, human resources, policies, technologies ...) and addressing solutions
 - Finding mechanisms to promote joint actions (and funding)
 - dialogue with non-EU countries
 - interaction with other platforms
- Contribute on the development of a consistent and coherent national policy of coastal and maritime activities
- Provide suggestions for the relevant EU policies for the Mediterranean area



National Pivots

- Key contributors to Platform operation as representatives of the different partner countries on the four specific platform themes
- Acting as main interface between the CSA and the stakeholders at national level
- Contribute to increasingly mobilize other relevant national stakeholders by collect and convey their message and bring back the feedbacks for SRIA updates



The platforms (operation at national level)

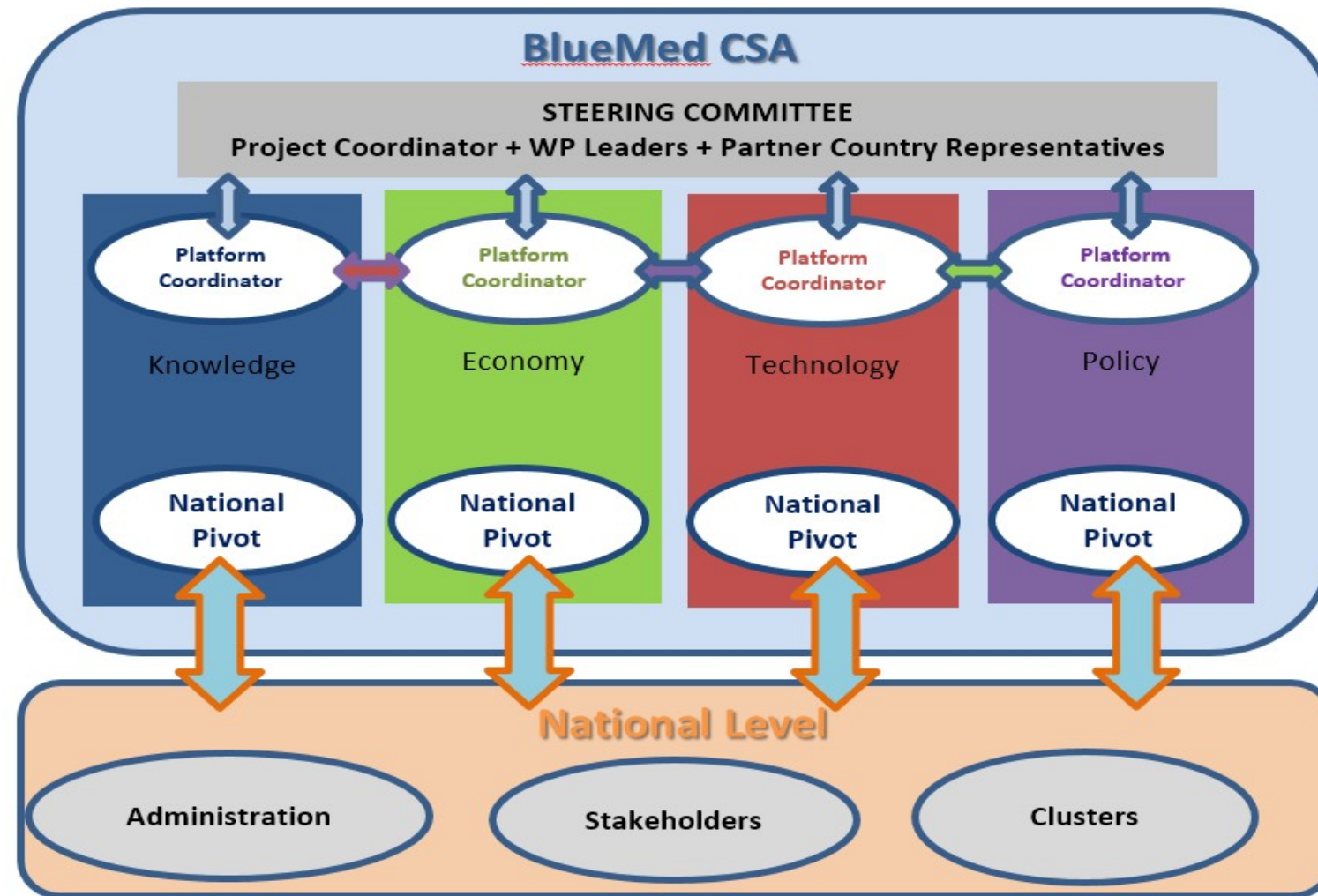
- At national level platforms

- ☐ are represented by the BLUEMED community and national stakeholders
- ☐ provide input, comment and evaluate the CSA results

- Countries' responsibility to decide on the most appropriate scheme for national level

- ☐ National Mirror Platforms
- ☐ official or un-official discussion fora for the stakeholders
- ☐ existing or adapted thematic workshops





Platforms Meetings

- Where the work performed at national level will be presented and considered

1st Platform meeting

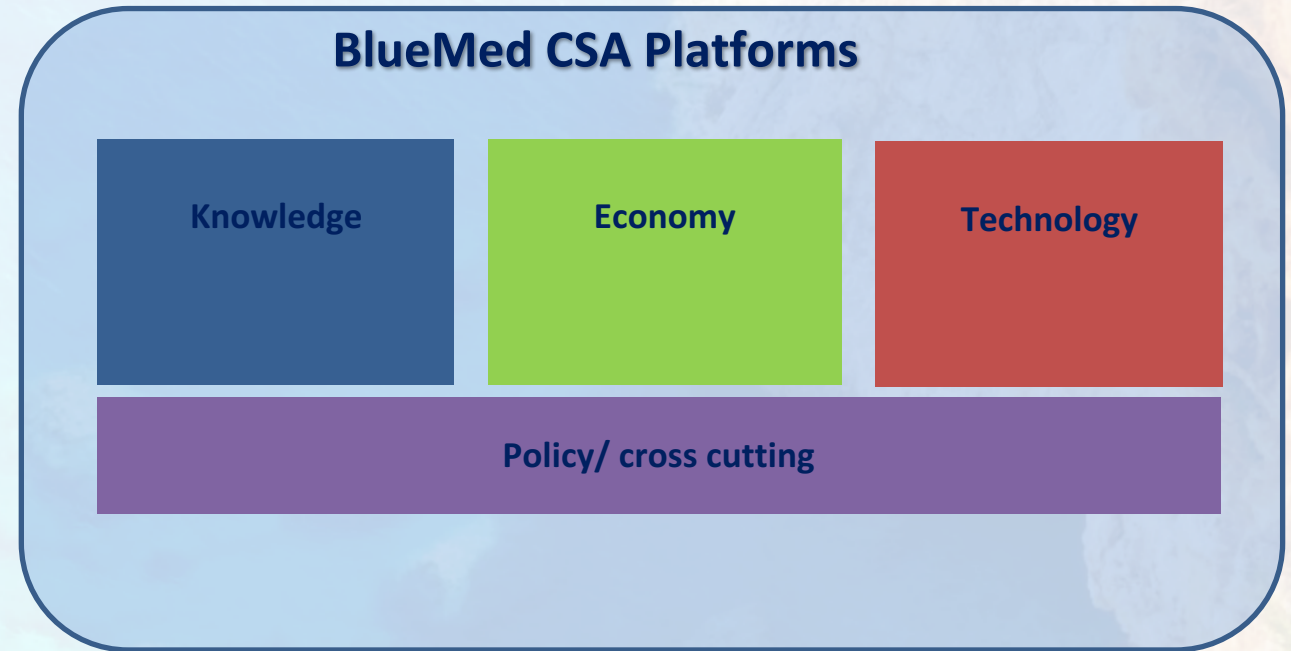
La Seyne sur Mer, July 2017

- Set-up of platforms
 - Coordinators and NPs
- Discussion on Platforms functioning – The Roadmap



- The “Policy” Platform
 - a cross cutting platform
- Policy view and inputs to the SRIA

A new pillar of the SRIA?



Following steps

- Finalization of survey form
- Launching of survey (September 17)
- Collection of data (December 17)
- Analysis / National “White Paper” (January 18)



2nd Platform meeting

Athens, February 2018

- A document created by each country with changes in SRIA
- Platforms Coordinators compiled a common version
 - circulated among platforms
- Work with Platforms
 - identify common actions and topics
 - finalize the 1st proposal for the SRIA update (May 18)



The BLUEMED SRIA

14 key challenges, a set of goals and a list of actions

Knowledge enablers

- A. Mediterranean **Sea ecosystems**: present dynamics, services, resources, vulnerability and resilience to natural and anthropogenic pressures
- B. Mediterranean Sea: **changes of the basin under climate and anthropogenic pressures** and develop services for adaptation to climate change and plans for mitigation
- C. **Hazards and protection** of coastal areas and open seas in the Mediterranean
- D. Innovative **blue growth trajectories**: biotechnologies, food, and the deep sea resources

9 Goals
42 Actions

Economy enablers

- A. Innovative **business** based on marine **bio-resources** in the Mediterranean
- B. Ecosystem-based management of Mediterranean **aquaculture and fisheries**
- C. Sustainable **management of cultural heritage** in the Mediterranean
- D. Maritime **clusters** in the Mediterranean
- E. Maritime **Spatial Planning & Integrated Coastal Zone Management** in the Mediterranean

11 goals
53 Actions

Technology enablers

- A. Smart, greener **maritime transport** and facilities in the Mediterranean
- B. **Observing systems** and operational oceanography capacities in the Mediterranean
- C. Innovative **industrial platforms** including **marine renewable energy** and co-use
- D. Marine and costal **cultural heritage** in the Mediterranean: discovering, protecting and valuing

9 Goals
48 Actions

Cross-cutting enablers

- A. Cross cutting enablers for **Jobs and Blue Growth**

5 Goals
42 Actions



BLUEMED days

- Presentation of the SRIA to Mediterranean countries
 - meetings to disseminate information about BLUEMED and to collect inputs from stakeholder at national level:
 - Algeria: 25th June, Algiers
 - Egypt: 19th July 2018, Alexandria
 - Jordan: 3rd July 2018, Amman
 - Tunisia : 26th June, Tunis
 - Turkey: 27th June, Ankara



10 more Actions proposed / incorporated in the document

Next steps

- Finalize a proposal of the SRIA for the Mediterranean
- Prepare an Implementation Plan
- Define a network of funding agents



Gracias!

Grazie!

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Grazzi!

Hvala!

Teşekkür ederim!

Merci!

Obrigado!

Ευχαριστώ!

Thank you!

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