

One Mediterranean:
practices, results and strategies for a common Sea

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Retracing the BlueMed tale

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Research and Innovation
for blue jobs and growth
in the Mediterranean Area

WHY BLUEMED?



28%

of endemic species, a biodiversity hotspot



30%

of global sea-borne trade by volume



450

ports and terminals



25%

of worldwide sea-borne oil traffic



400

UNESCO sites



236

Marine Protected Areas



WORLD'S SECOND

largest market for cruise ships



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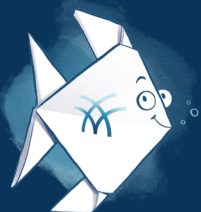
people living on coasts, doubling during the tourist season



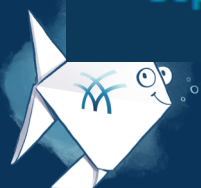
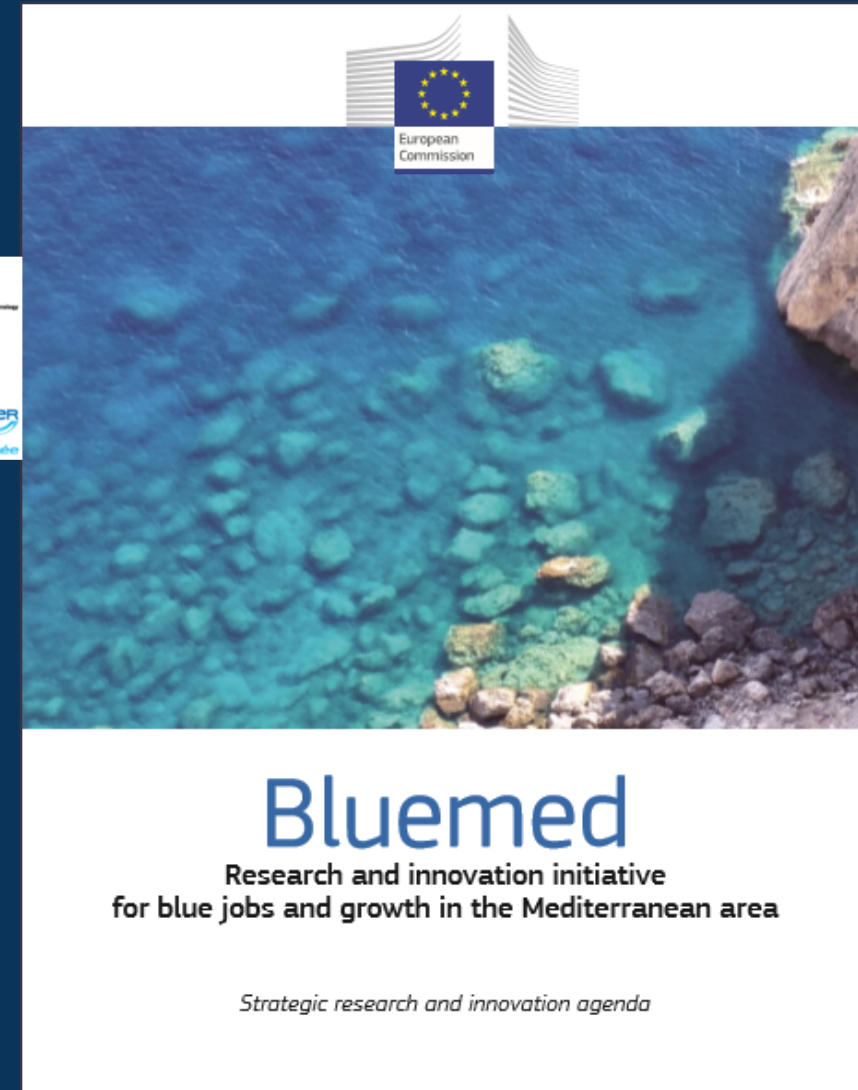
CULTURE OF FOOD

and environmental healthy life





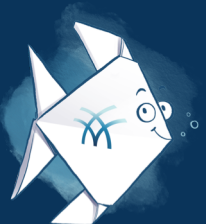
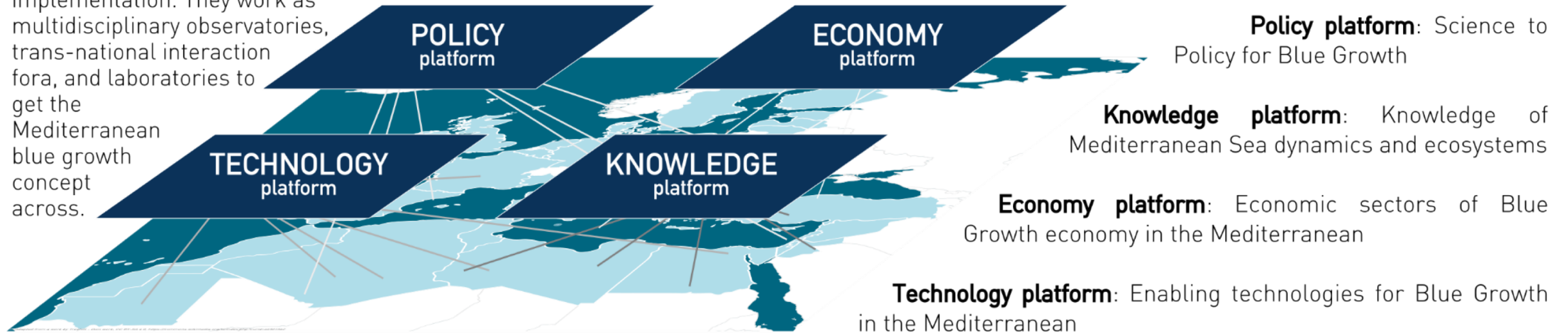
- May 2014 ○ BLUEMED Initiative set-up in the framework of the EU Blue Growth Strategy
- December 2014 ○ BLUEMED Vision Document endorsed at the Competitiveness Council
- October 2015 ○ Venice declaration launching the BLUEMED SRIA
- November 2015 ○ Union for Mediterranean Declaration on the blue economy adopted, non-EU countries invited to join the BLUEMED Initiative
- October 2016 ○ 
- April 2017 ○ 
A Basin of Research and Innovation for sustainable growth : First update of the BLUEMED SRIA
- May 2017 ○ Valletta Declaration on strengthening Euro-Mediterranean cooperation through Research and Innovation
- February 2018 ○ Group of Senior Officials BLUEMED Working Group established as initiative's steering body
- October 2018 ○ Launch of the pilot action for a healthy plastic-free Mediterranean Sea
- July 2019 ○ Research Infrastructures Roadmap, Data Policies and Accessibility Plan and Blue Careers Plan
- September 2020 ○ Implementation Plan



The BlueMed Platforms, enabling dialogue & engagement

Platforms: thematic dialogue groups where national representatives from different sectors meet to discuss the BlueMed agendas updates and implementation. They work as multidisciplinary observatories, trans-national interaction fora, and laboratories to get the Mediterranean blue growth concept across.

National Pivots: representatives from the countries on each of the platforms' themes. They bring their knowledge and experiences, and gather the national actors' instances to the platforms.



13 priority goals were selected by countries of the Basin from the BlueMed Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda: their implementation will foster sustainable, non-conflicting Blue Growth in the Mediterranean.



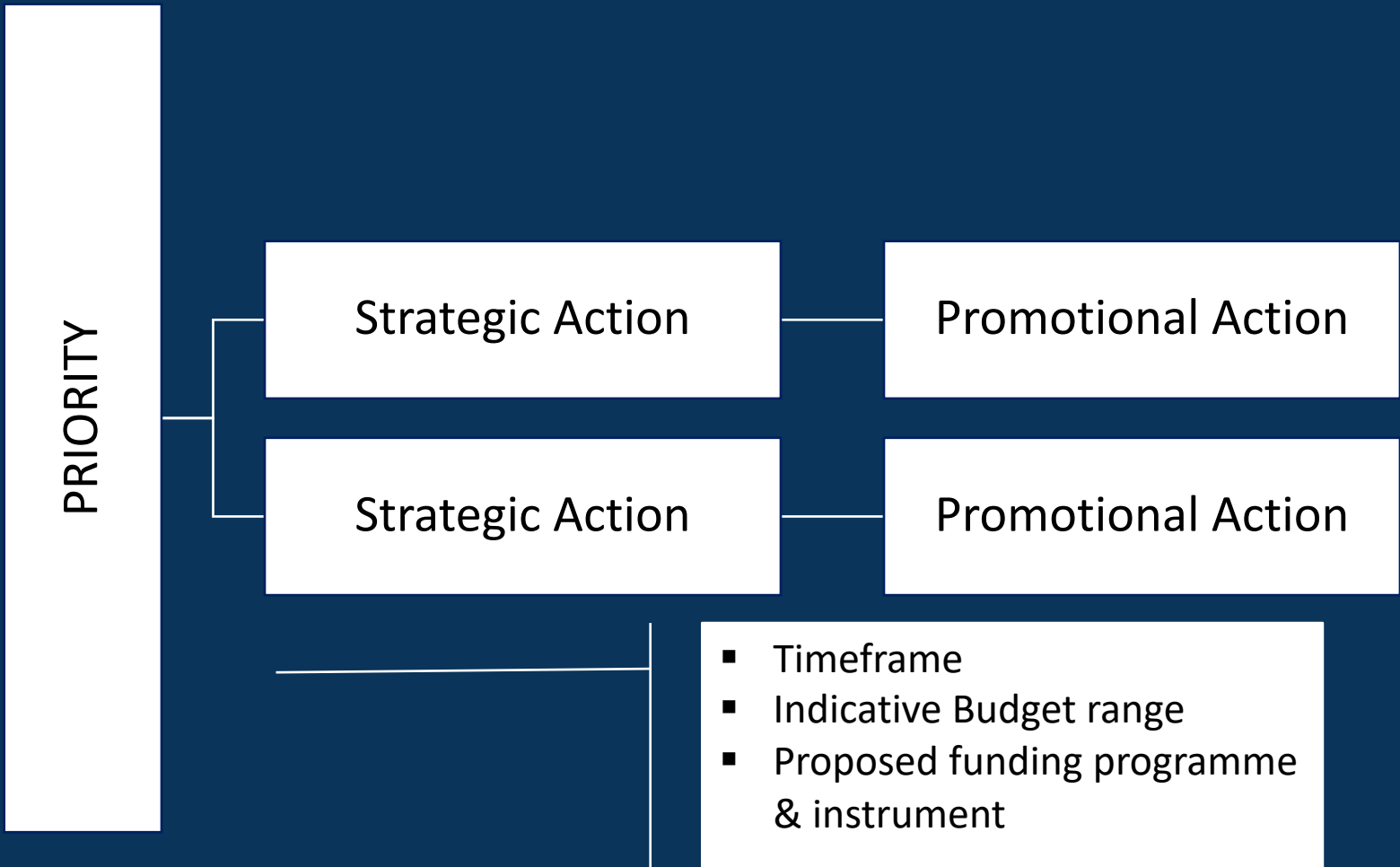


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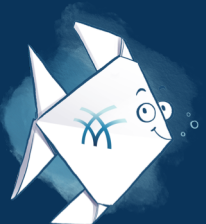
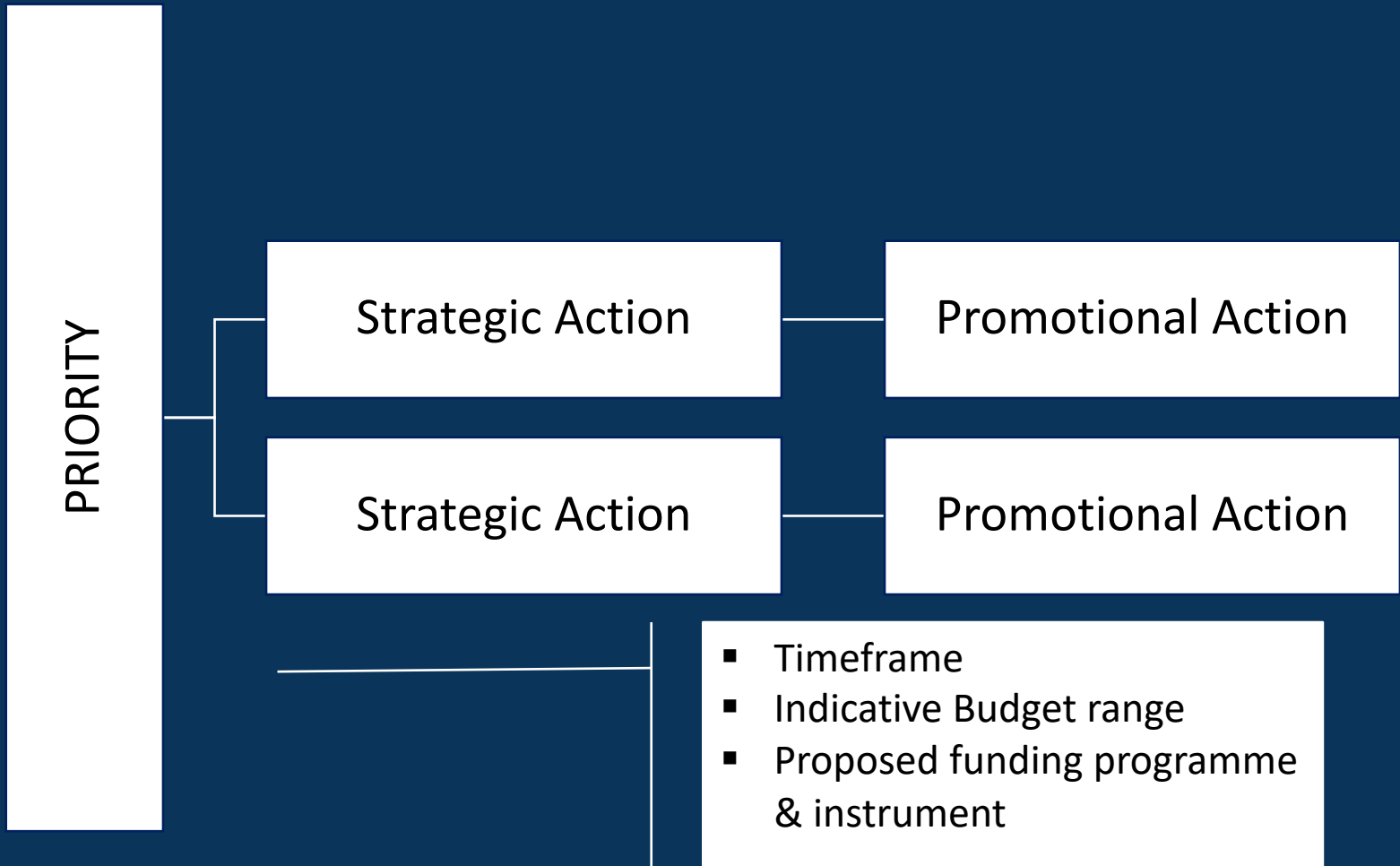
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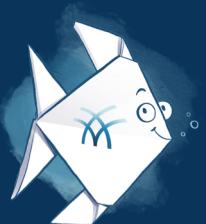


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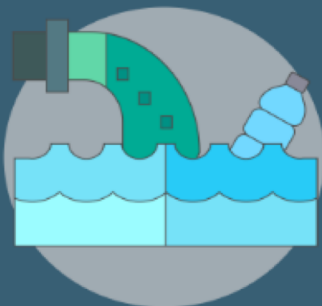


ACTING FOR THE MED SEA

The BlueMed Implementation Plan

Priority

understanding
pollution
impacts, mitigation
and remediation



Operational receipts

Develop **maps**
of potential **pollution sources**

Quantify **impact of plastic waste**
in terms of economic activities, jobs, well-being of citizens and ecosystems
and **reduce** its generation

Define distribution, concentration and
provenance of all forms of **garbage**
rise awareness through **literacy** and **citizen science**

Explore and propose solutions to **reduce** the
input of **pollutants**

Measure and identify **emerging** chemical
compounds from terrestrial sources,
determining **contaminant dispersal**
in all marine matrices

fill gaps in **understanding** the Mediterranean
Sea dynamics, biogeographic patterns, biodiversity, and
ecosystem functions

Strategic Actions

Scale up of the BlueMed Pilot Action on Healthy
Plastic Free Mediterranean Sea

Joint JPI-Oceans Action on 'Science for Good
Environmental Status'

Promotional Actions

BlueMed e-training course on marine litter

BlueMed & JPI-Oceans joint workshop on
'Science for Good Environmental Status'

more info:
<http://www.bluedmed-initiative.eu/strategic-research-and-innovation-agenda/#prioritization>

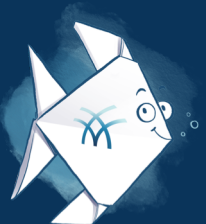
Objectives

Support the proper management and improvement of the marine environment and connected activities from filling the knowledge gaps to identifying recycling solutions, in the perspective of the blue circular economy and the Green Deal. Improve in parallel the understanding on the functioning of the Mediterranean Sea ecosystem.

Pilot Action for a plastic-free, healthy Mediterranean Sea

Joining forces to address marine litter in the Mediterranean

The **BlueMed Pilot Action** consists in **mapping and assessing the actions** on place regarding **marine plastic pollution** in the EU and non EU countries of the Mediterranean in order to share of **good practices, R&I** actions but also **demonstration, communication and education** activities.



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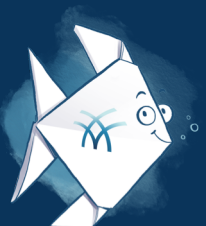


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BlueMed Start-up Actions

BlueBoatsMed

DEVELOPMENTS OF MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE AND
RECREATIONAL BOATING SECTORS

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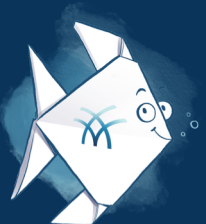
Feasibility study of an ecosystem-oriented plant for sediments
management in Mediterranean ports and marinas

SEALINES
Mediterranean
Safety Network



LabMAF

Developing a Labelling Scheme
for Mediterranean Small-scale
and Artisanal Fish Products







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Thank you!

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