

# Workshop on EUSAIR Strategy with key stakeholder and decision makers

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### *Tirane (Albania)*

*Doanesia Premium Hotel & Spa (Rruga Kastriotet 5, Tiranë 1050)*

**10 May 2024**

Among the topics will be analysed the threats to the conservation, the risks of protected areas, and will be promoted opportunities to collaborate for the creation of cross-border marine protected areas in the South Adriatic and the objectives underlying the Jointly Action Plan

09h00 - 09h30 Registration, welcome greetings 09h30 Start of the meeting	
<b>1</b>	<b>Assoc. Professor Rigers BAKIU, Deputy Executive Director of Albanian Center for Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of the project aim, objectives and expected results (including the aim of the workshop with some more details about the Marine Protected Areas - MPAs)</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dissemination of the results achieved regarding the MPAs in the "South Adriatic Ionian Strait" EBSA area of the Adriatic and the relative expectations from the Project implementation</li> </ul>
<b>2</b>	<b>Msc. Dusan VARDA, Executive Director of Mediterranean Center for Environmental Monitoring</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Threats of ineffective conservation in Montenegrins MPAs and possibilities of cross border marine protection</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of problems in management of newly established MPAs and opportunities for creation of new ones, with emphasis on trans-boundary</li> </ul>
<b>3</b>	<b>Professor Simona FRASCHETTI, University of Naples</b>

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<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Challenges and opportunities in the managements of Marine Protected Areas: importance of collaborations for the creation of cross-border MPAs in the South Adriatic, capitalizing on the experience of past-ongoing projects involving several countries of the Adriatic basin.</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dissemination of the obtained results with the final aim to implement networks of MPAs in the Adriatic Sea</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Assoc. Professor Rigers BAKIU, Head of Department of Aquaculture and Fisheries, Faculty of Agriculture and Environment, Agricultural University of Tirana</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Important shark and ray areas (ISRAs) in Mediterranean and Adriatic Seas, their aim and the actual state regarding the Mediterranean and Adriatic Seas, respectively.</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dissemination of the results coming out from the ISRAs defining workshop in Thessaloniki (Greece)</li> </ul>
<b>5</b>	<b>Dr. Francesco DE FRANCO – Expert from the Consortium of Torre Guaceto MPA management</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates regarding the projects about marine conservation and small-scale fisheries in Torre Guaceto MPA</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dissemination of the results coming out from several initiatives implemented so far in the MPA of Torre Guaceto</li> </ul>
<b>13h30 - 15h00 Lunch</b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Avv. Serena TRIGGIANI, Environmental Assessor of the Puglia Region</b>
<b>Contents and Inputs</b>	<u>Institutional Greetings</u>
<b>7</b>	<b>Dr. Rocky MALATESTA, president of Torre Guaceto Marine Protected Area (MPA) Board of Directors. Vice President of Federparchi, Coordinator of the National MPAs Forum</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Role of Torre Guaceto in the sustainable development of the territory, including fishing and touristic activities</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dissemination of the obtained results from implementing several projects about tourism development and fisheries support</li> </ul>
<b>8</b>	<b>Dr. Federica BARBERA, Officer from the Protected Areas and Biodiversity National Office, Legambiente Nazionale APS</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Adriatic Sea biodiversity: threats, good practices and tools for its protection. - State of knowledge in the Molise Region</li> </ul>

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<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates about the current status of biodiversity in the Adriatic (with a focus about the Molise Region): threats to biodiversity and tools to halt biodiversity loss and reach the European and national targets</li> </ul>
<b>9</b>	<b>Dr. Aylin AKKAYA, Founder of Marine Mammals Research Association (DMAD)</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Different methods on population size estimations for cetaceans and decision of choice</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Population status of cetaceans in the Mediterranean, general understanding on population size estimations, existing methods and the importance of accurate abundance estimates on conservation status</li> </ul>
<b>10</b>	<b>Dr. Artenisa PECULI, Officer from Agency of Protected Areas in Albania (and Rigers Bakiu)</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates about marine biodiversity conservation and fisheries management in the MPA of Karaburun-Sazani</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dissemination of the obtained results from implementing several projects about marine biodiversity and fisheries support</li> </ul>
<b>11</b>	<b>Dr. Marco KULE – Officer from Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development</b>
<b>Contents and inputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fisheries Policy and the transposed recommendations from the General Fisheries Commission for Mediterranean and Black Sea (GFCM) and other international organisations</li> </ul>
<b>Expected output</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dissemination of the results coming out from the effective management of these recommendations at national level</li> </ul>
<p><b>19h30 - 20h00 Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)</b></p> <p><b>20h00 - End of the Workshop</b></p>	