



A cruise to the MED future

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**EU environmental
policies and the
future MED
Programme
2014 -2020**

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Main reference documents for the development of the future MED Programme

General:

New EU Environment Action Programme to 2020 (priority objectives particularly relevant for the MED area - based on Commission proposal)

- *Protect nature and strengthen ecological resilience*
- *Boost sustainable resource-efficient low-carbon growth*
- *Effectively address environment-related threats to health*
- *Enhancing the sustainability of EU cities*

Marine and Mediterranean focus:

Marine Strategy Framework Directive (2008) and Barcelona Convention (1995)

Both focused on environmental protection, in particular prevention, reduction and elimination of marine pollution, and sustainable use of marine and coastal resources.

Main environmental challenges for the MED Programme area

- *Environmental heritage: common challenges regarding water, biodiversity and need for a comprehensive natural heritage management response*
- *Coastal areas: land pressure, urban density, maritime risks require particular effort for a coordinated management*
- *Energy efficiency and renewable energies production (high potential for wind and solar energies)*
- *Integrated management of Mediterranean cities (sustainable development: waste management)*

Diagnostic territorial analysis of the MED territorial cooperation programme, Technopolis – ITD (commissioned by Regional Council of Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur – PACA)

Challenges	EU environmental policy framework	Possible relevant Thematic Objectives (TOs) and Investment Priorities (IPs)
<p>Environmental heritage and coastal areas</p>	<p><i>General:</i></p> <p>New EU Environment Action Programme (in process of adoption)</p> <p>Road Map for a Resource Efficient Europe (2011)</p> <p>EU 2020 Biodiversity Strategy (2011)</p> <p>Water Framework Directive (2000)</p> <p>Waste Framework Directive (2008)</p> <p><i>Marine and Mediterranean focus:</i></p> <p>Marine Strategy Framework Directive (2008)</p> <p>Barcelona Convention (1995)</p>	<p>TO6 "protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency"</p> <p>IP6a - waste</p> <p>IP6b - water</p> <p>IP6c - "Conserving, protecting, promoting and developing natural and cultural heritage"</p> <p>IP6d - "protecting and restoring biodiversity, soil protection and restoration and promoting ecosystem services including NATURA 2000 and green infrastructures"</p>

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<p>Integrated management of Mediterranean cities and energy efficiency/renewable energy</p>	<p>New EU Environment Action Programme</p> <p>Road Map for a Resource Efficient Europe</p> <p>Waste Framework Directive</p> <p>Urban Environment Strategy (2006)</p>	<p>TO6</p> <p>IP6a</p> <p>IP6b</p> <p>IP6e - "improvement of the urban environment, revitalisation of cities, [...] regeneration and decontamination of brownfield sites (including conversion areas), reduction of air pollution and promotion of noise-reduction measures"</p> <p>IP6g - "supporting industrial transition towards a resource efficiency economy, [...] promoting green growth, eco-innovation and environmental performance management in the public and private sectors"</p>

Thank you for your attention

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