Blue Transformative Book

From **local innovation**
to **Mediterranean impact**



BLUE ECOSYSTEM | Interreg Euro-MED

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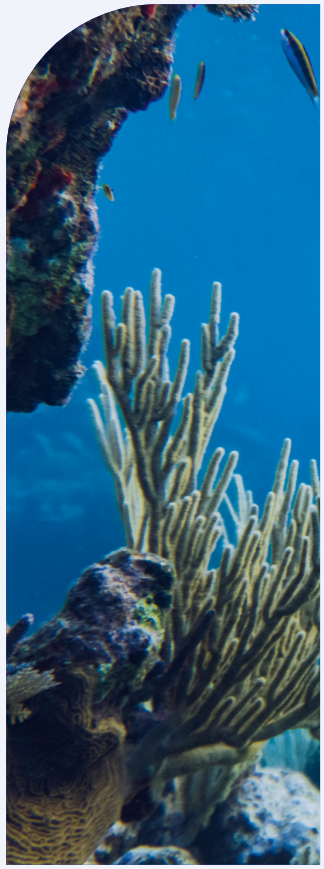
FROM SHARED CHALLENGE
TO SHARED SOLUTIONS

The Mediterranean is home to one of the world's richest blue economies, but also to some of its greatest environmental and socio-economic challenges.

From decarbonising maritime activities to restoring marine ecosystems and strengthening coastal resilience, these challenges cannot be addressed by a single organisation or region alone.

Collaboration is essential

This is the ambition behind the Blue Ecosystem project, co-financed by the Interreg Euro-MED programme: **connecting regional innovation ecosystems to help promising ideas become concrete solutions** through cooperation, knowledge sharing and collective intelligence.









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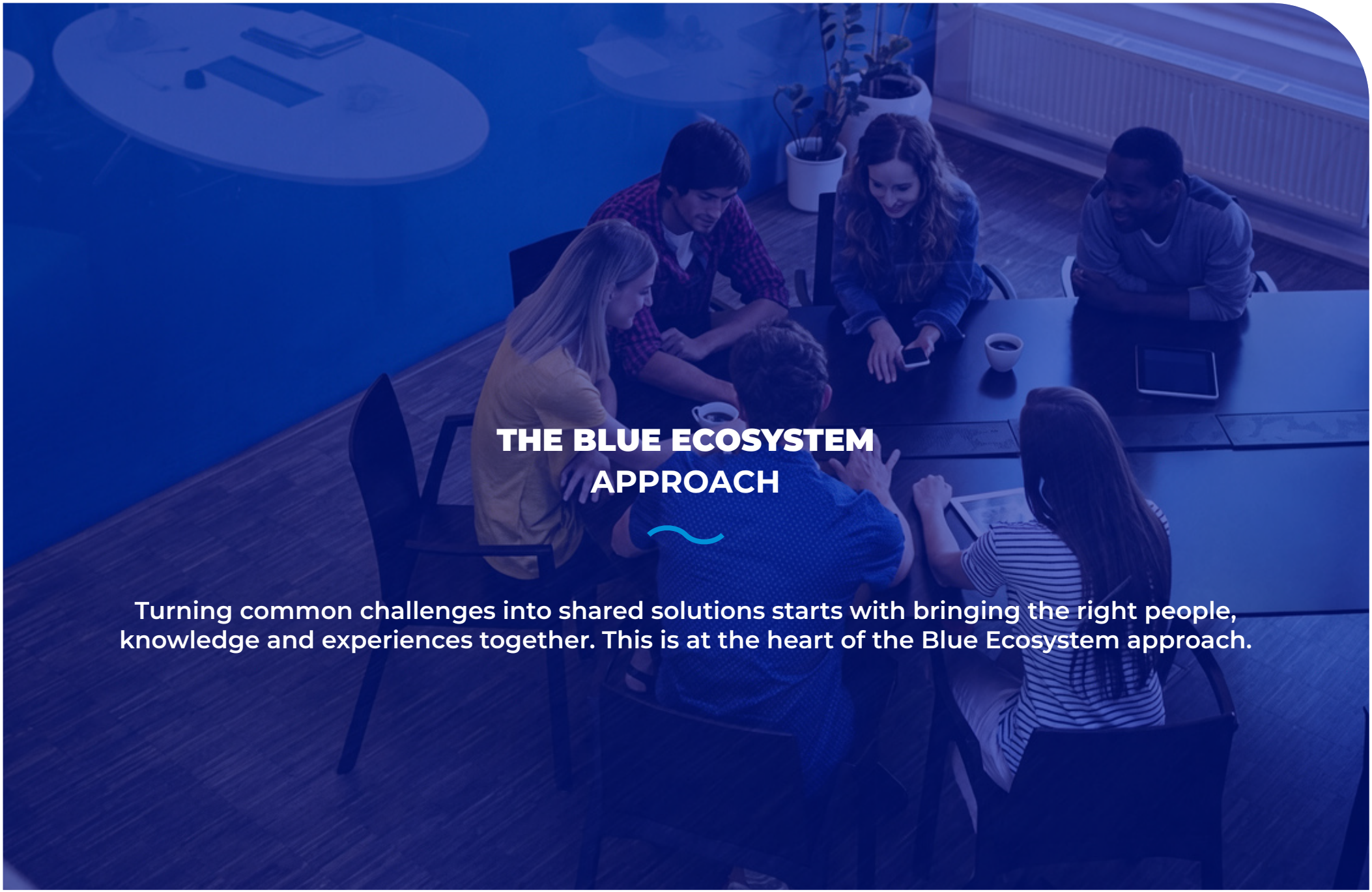
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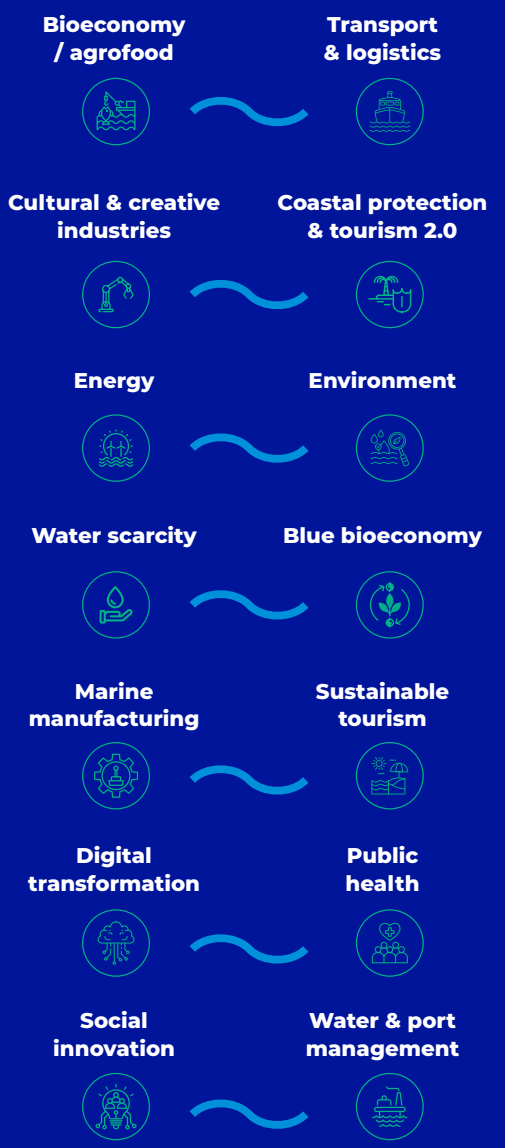
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THE BLUE ECOSYSTEM APPROACH

Turning common challenges into shared solutions starts with bringing the right people, knowledge and experiences together. This is at the heart of the Blue Ecosystem approach.

Priority areas **for action**



THE BLUE ECOSYSTEM APPROACH

1st STEP | Understand the regional challenges

Before launching the TRAIN Labs, the **8 partner regions** engaged local stakeholders in a participatory co-design process to identify and prioritise the key Blue Economy challenges **reflecting the specificities of their territories.**

Through regional workshops, different perspectives were brought together to explore local needs, existing initiatives, gaps and opportunities, and to define priority areas for action.

2nd STEP | Build solutions together

To address these challenges, the project designed and tested **an innovative collaborative methodology: the TRAIN Labs** (Transformative Co-Creation Innovation Labs). Through TRAIN Labs, businesses, researchers, public authorities, students, investors and other stakeholders worked together to **develop and accelerate innovative solutions.**

3rd STEP | Connect beyond borders

The most promising solutions emerging from those regional TRAIN Labs were subsequently showcased during BLUE ECOMATCH, a transnational event designed to **promote knowledge exchange, networking opportunities and the replication of innovative solutions** across partner regions.

A methodology to inspire future collaborations

This book captures the methodology, the experiences and the solutions developed along the way and **explores how the approach can be adapted and replicated beyond the project.**

BLUE ECOSYSTEM AT A GLANCE

THE PROJECT

11 PARTNERS INVOLVED

33 MONTHS

8 REGIONS TARGETED

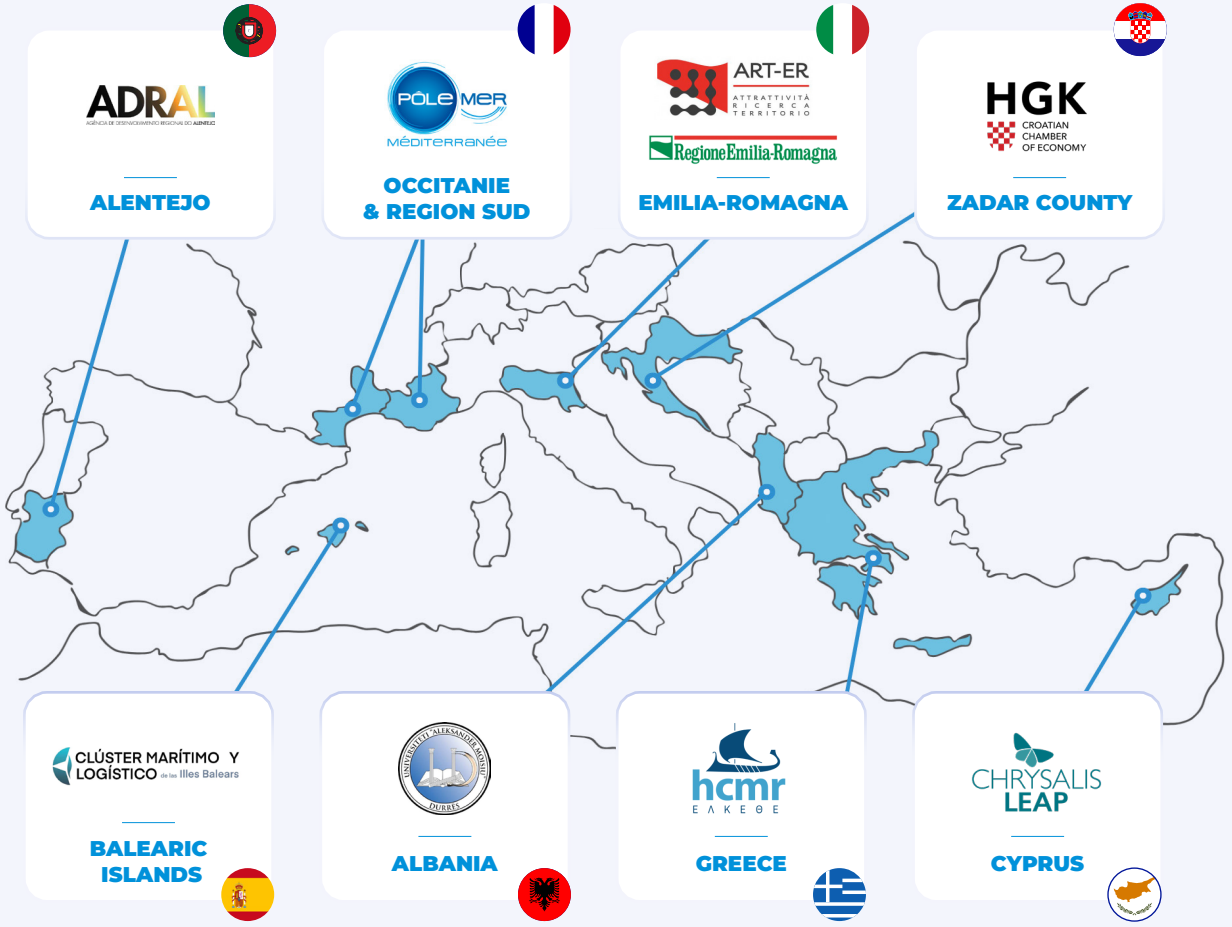
3 M€ TOTAL BUDGET

THE EXPERIMENT

106
Regional innovative solutions
accelerated

18
Solutions selected
for the transnational event

WHERE IT HAPPENED?



THE BLUE ECOSYSTEM PARTNERS

Blue Ecosystem brings together public authorities, research organisations, innovation agencies, business networks, clusters and universities from across the Mediterranean, combining complementary expertise to strengthen Blue Economy innovation ecosystems.



LEAD PARTNER

Emilia-Romagna Region
ERR (IT)

Public authority supporting sustainable economic development, innovation and regional cooperation.

OTHER PARTNERS

ART-ER - ART-ER (IT)
Regional innovation agency connecting businesses, research and public authorities to foster innovation and competitiveness.

Pôle Mer Méditerranée - PMM (FR)
Maritime innovation cluster supporting businesses and stakeholders in the transition towards a sustainable Blue Economy.

Hellenic Centre for Marine Research - HCMR (EL)
Leading Greek marine research institution specialising in marine ecosystems, fisheries, aquaculture and sustainable marine resources.

Alentejo Regional Development Agency - ADRAL (PT)
Regional development agency supporting innovation, entrepreneurship, competitiveness and international cooperation.

Croatian Chamber of Economy
HGK-CCE (HR)
National business organisation supporting Croatian companies, entrepreneurship and internationalisation.

Maritime Cluster of Balearic Islands – CMIB (ES)
Maritime cluster connecting businesses, research and public stakeholders to foster innovation and sustainable blue growth.

University Aleksandër Moisiu of Durrës - UAMD (AL)
University contributing to regional development through education, research and innovation, with a focus on environmental and maritime issues.

Chrysalis LEAP
CLEAP (CY)
Innovation and entrepreneurship organisation supporting startups and SMEs through acceleration, mentoring and international cooperation.

Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions - CPMR (FR)
It operates as both a think tank and a lobby, promoting a more balanced territorial development across Europe in key areas such as blue economy, climate change, cohesion...

PROJECT JOURNEY

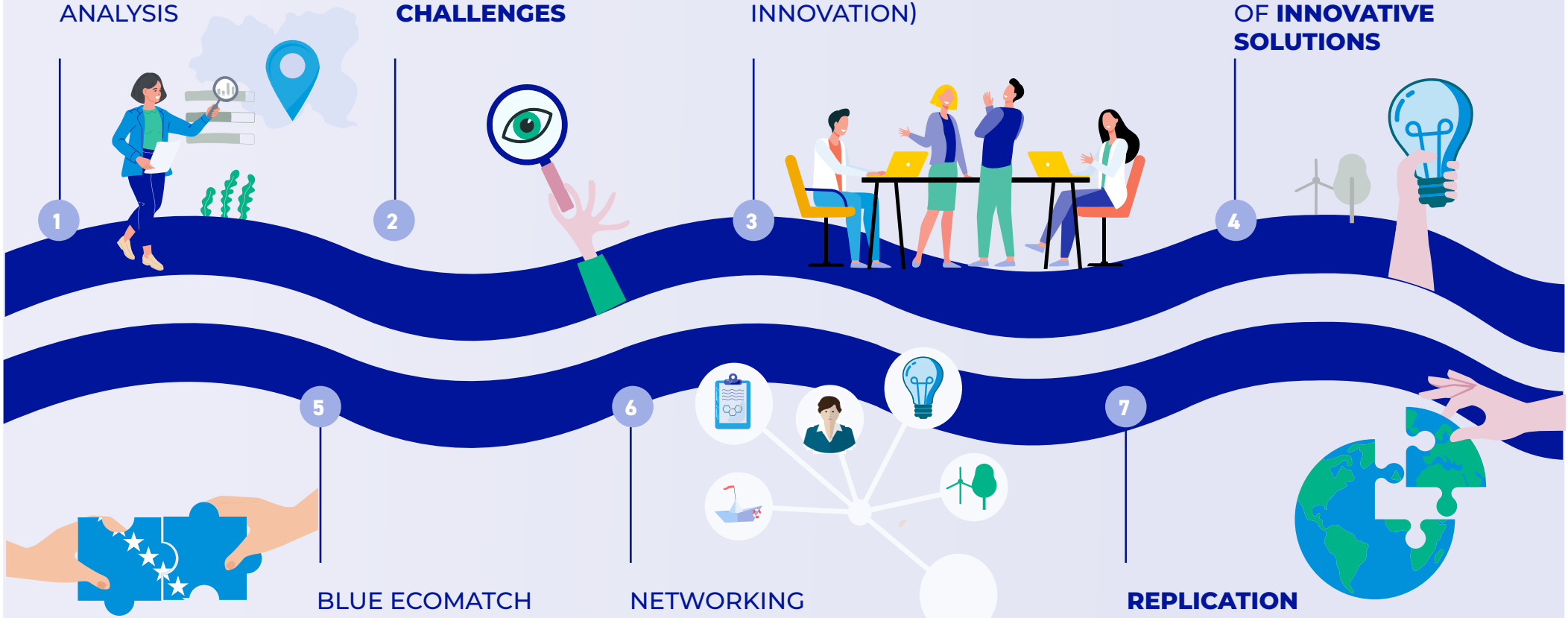
FROM REGIONAL INNOVATION TO TRANSNATIONAL COLLABORATION

1 **REGIONAL ECOSYSTEM** ANALYSIS

2 IDENTIFICATION OF **REGIONAL CHALLENGES**

3 **REGIONAL TRAIN LABS** (CO-CREATION & INNOVATION)

4 SELECTION AND ACCELERATION OF **INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS**



5 BLUE ECOMATCH **TRANSNATIONAL TRAIN LAB**

6 NETWORKING MATCHMAKING **KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE**

7 **REPLICATION AND SCALING-UP** ACROSS THE MEDITERRANEAN



BUILDING THE FOUNDATIONS
THE TRAIN LABS APPROACH

Innovation does not happen in isolation. It grows through collaboration.
To turn this vision into action,the TRAIN Labs provided a structured collaborative framework connecting regional challenges, innovative solutions and stakeholders, enabling co-creation and accelerating the development of Blue Economy solutions.*

* Source: BLUE ECOSYSTEM, Deliverable D1.5.1 Methodology for Transformative co-creation innovation labs (TRAIN Labs), September 2025

FROM REGIONAL PRIORITIES TO SHARED CHALLENGES

The TRAIN Labs were therefore **built around challenges emerging** from each territory's own needs, **priorities and stakeholder perspectives.**



A participatory process laying **the foundations** for the TRAIN Labs

- Before the Regional TRAIN Labs were launched, **BLUE ECOSYSTEM carried out a participatory co-design process to identify and prioritise** the key Blue Economy challenges in each partner region.
- This innovative methodology started with an **analysis of the regional context**, existing Blue Economy priorities and relevant regional strategies, including Smart Specialisation Strategies (RIS3). This provided the basis for engaging stakeholders and framing the key issues to be explored.
- **Regional stakeholders representing the Quintuple Helix** – public authorities, industry, research and education, civil society and the environmental sector – were brought together in dedicated co-design workshops. Rather than simply validating predefined priorities, participants collectively explored local needs, the impacts and limitations of existing approaches, and the opportunities for transformative action.
- Through a structured co-design approach, **stakeholders identified and prioritised challenges, possible actions, relevant actors and resources.** The results were then analysed and clustered to define the main regional challenges and priority actions.
- This process provided the foundation for the regional transformative missions and **helped shape the focus of the TRAIN Labs and subsequent Calls for Solutions.**

THE TRAIN LABS JOURNEY



A SHARED OBJECTIVE

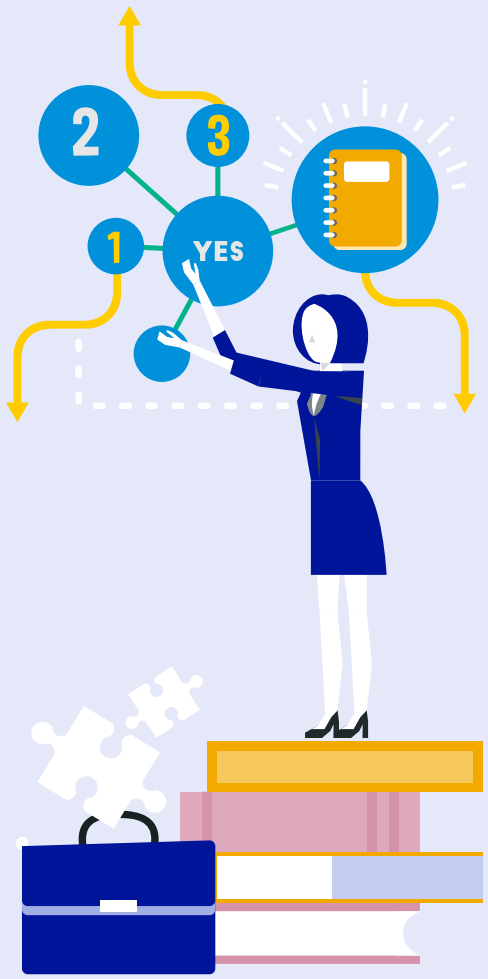
The TRAIN Labs were designed to:

- ✔ **Support innovative** Blue Economy solutions;
- ✔ **Bridge the gap** between regional needs and existing solutions;
- ✔ **Accelerate the scale-up** of promising innovations;
- ✔ **Contribute** to regional Smart Specialisation Strategies (RIS3).

A COMMON METHODOLOGY

- Multi-stakeholders engagement
- Structured mutual learning
- Environmental issues taken into account





KEY STAGES OF THE REGIONAL TRAIN LAB METHODOLOGY

01 | Identification of key blue economy challenges

- → Co-design with regional stakeholders
- → Identification & prioritisation of challenges

02 | Local workshops and transformative innovation labs

- → Collecting Innovative ideas
- → Emerging projects
- → Collaborative proposals

03 | Call for expressions of interest / Call for solutions

- → Open to quintuple helix stakeholders
- → Encouraging partnerships across sectors and territories
- → Individual or partnership applications
- → Early-stage proposals

04 | Selection of innovative solutions

- → Potential to generate innovation, impact and collaboration
- → Criteria: partnership quality / solution quality / coherence with the thematic challenges

05 | Organisation of the TRAIN Labs

- → Acceleration & ecosystem building





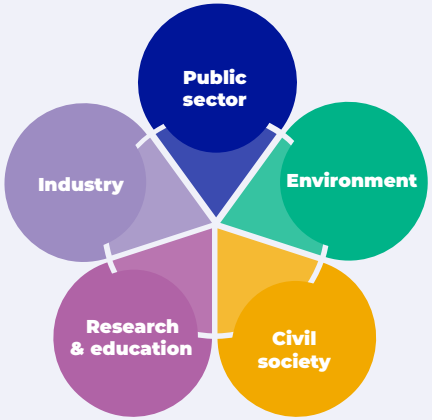




DIFFERENT REGIONAL IMPLEMENTATIONS

While following a common methodology, each region adapted the TRAIN Labs to its own context, resulting in:

- ✔ **Distinct regional challenges reflecting local priorities:** marine ecosystems and coastal areas, blue biotechnology, marine renewable energy, fisheries and aquaculture, ports, shipbuilding, marine robotics, coastal and maritime tourism...
- ✔ **Different types of stakeholder profiles based on the Quintuple Helix model**



- ✔ **Different Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs) of the selected solutions**
- ✔ **A variety of formats and facilitation tools:** Support through thematic focus groups • Expert facilitation • Technical workshops • Deep-dive networking sessions • Funding scouting • Pitch sessions



INNOVATION IN ACTION
REGIONAL TRAIN LABS ACROSS THE MEDITERRANEAN

Each regional TRAIN Lab adapted the common methodology to its territorial context, reflecting specific challenges, stakeholders and innovation needs.*

* Source: D2.1.1 - Transnational Call for Blue Transformative Innovations: The 8 calls for Solutions

TRAIN Lab

BALEARIC ISLANDS / CMIB

December 2025
On-line session & Palma

Challenges identified

Marine Fishing
Ocean renewable energies
Coastal tourism

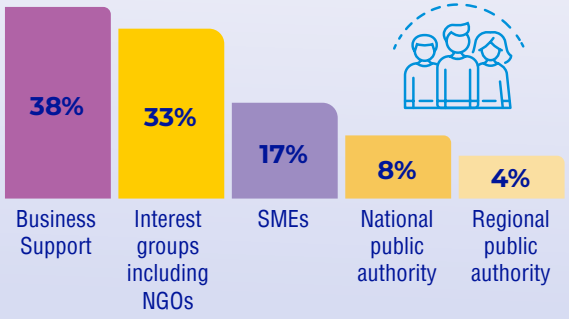
23 participants

7 accelerated solutions

2 public authorities

5 enterprises and SMEs

PARTICIPANTS



TRAIN Lab format

- 2-day co-creation workshops
- Thematic groups
- Networking
- Technical and strategic advice with experts

Methods and tools used

- Pitch presentations
- Strengths and weaknesses analysis
- Identification of opportunities
- Identification of necessary resources

Key objectives

- Prepare solution providers to present the operational development of their solutions to potential investors





TRAIN Lab

GREECE / HCMR

December 2024 & May 2025

Athens & online

Challenges identified

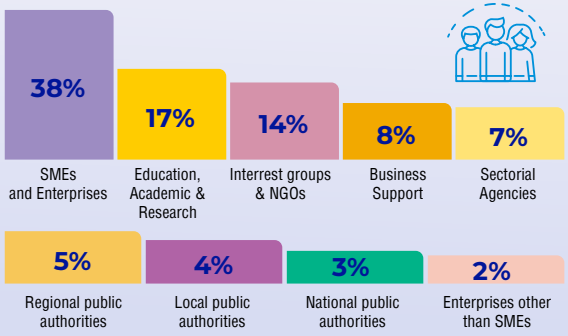
Bioeconomy & sustainable aquaculture Environment | Digital transformation Public health | Energy | Social innovation

96 participants

17 accelerated solutions

- **10** enterprises
- **3** higher education and research organisations
- **4** interest groups & NGOs

PARTICIPANTS



TRAIN Lab format

- ✔ Cross-fertilisation workshop with Blue Mission Med
- ✔ Seminars on business models
- ✔ Support on financing, sustainability and marketing, and preparation for pitching

Methods and tools used

- ✔ Design thinking, World Café, Business Model Canvas, etc

Key objectives

- ✔ Fostering synergies, funding and scaling







TRAIN Lab

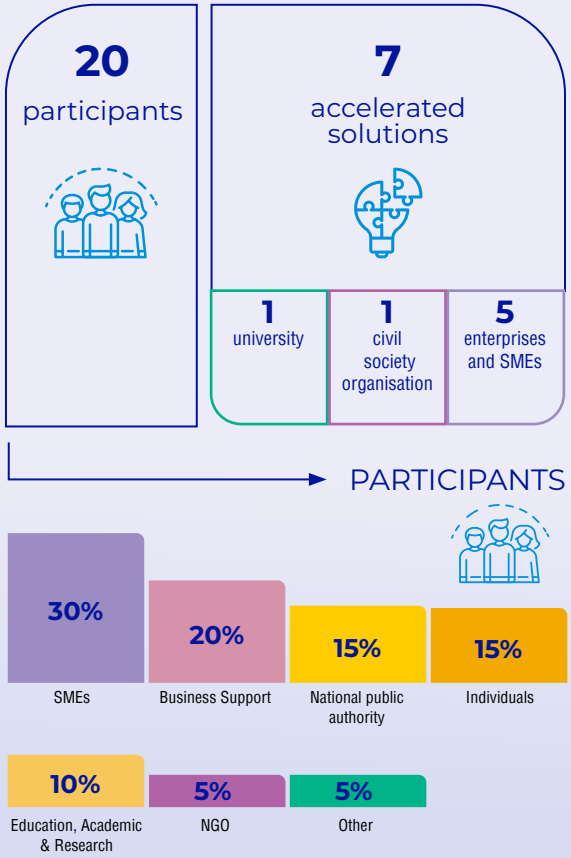
CYPRUS / CLEAP

September 17-18, 2025

Nicosia

Challenges identified

Water scarcity & water management



TRAIN Lab format

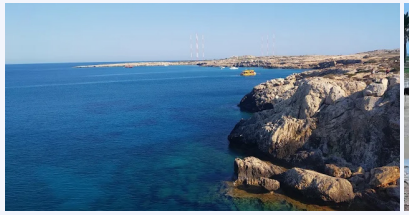
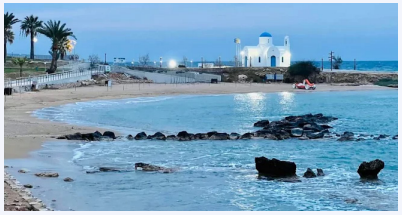
- ✔ 2-day co-creation workshop
- ✔ Mentoring and business support sessions
- ✔ Technical validation with experts
- ✔ Preparation for investment and scalability

Methods and tools used

- ✔ Mentoring & business support (technical feasibility, business model...)
- ✔ Co-creation workshops

Key objectives

- ✔ Improve the solutions, increase their maturity level, and enhance their readiness for implementation or investment, positioning them for international visibility and collaboration


TRAIN Lab

EMILIA-ROMAGNA REGION / ERR & ART-ER

October 15 & 29, 2025

Bologna

Challenges identified

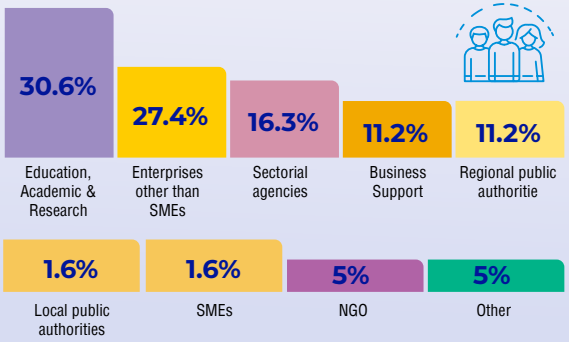
Marine Manufacturing
Coast & Tourism 2.0
Blue Bioeconomy

65 participants

38 accelerated solutions

10 higher education and research	**8** enterprises and SMEs	**4** business support organisations
2 public authorities	**1** education / training centre and school	**1** sectoral agency

PARTICIPANTS



TRAIN Lab format

- ✔ Thematic working groups
- ✔ Final plenaries

Methods and tools used

- ✔ Adapted version of the Design Sprint, focused on the integration and strategic development of projects

Key objectives

- ✔ Improve the quality of relationships between stakeholders, clarify strategic roles and activate synergies







TRAIN Lab

ALBANIA / UAMD

October 27-28, 2025

Durrës

Challenges identified

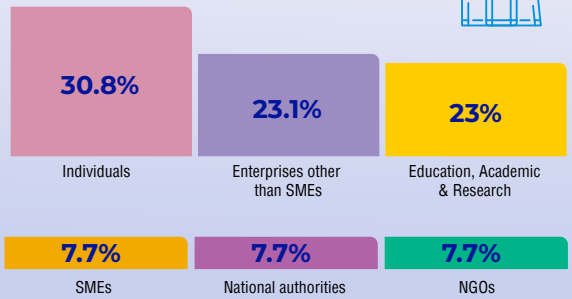
Bioeconomy and Agrifood
Energy
Cultural & Creative industries

40 participants

13 accelerated solutions

- **3** higher education and research organisations
- **3** enterprises and SMEs
- **2** interest groups including NGOs
- **5** others

PARTICIPANTS



TRAIN Lab format

- ✔ 2-day co-creation workshop
- ✔ Mentoring

Methods and tools used

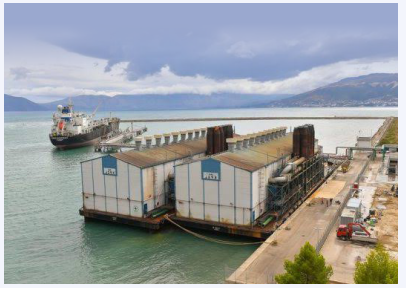
- ✔ Ideation, refinement and acceleration
- ✔ Project design, financing, and implementation planning

Key objectives

- ✔ Transform early concepts into viable and scalable projects; strengthen the feasibility, impact, and scalability; fostering collaboration among academia, businesses, civil society, and young innovators







TRAIN Lab

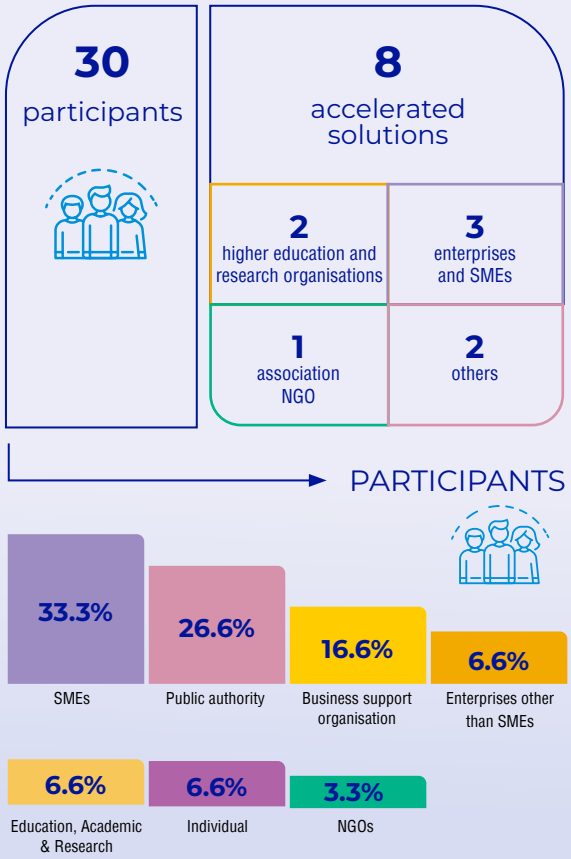
ALENTEJO REGION / ADRAL

December 3 & 10, 2025

Sines & Odemira

Challenges identified

Bioeconomy / agrifood | Sustainable Tourism
Transport and logistics | Energy

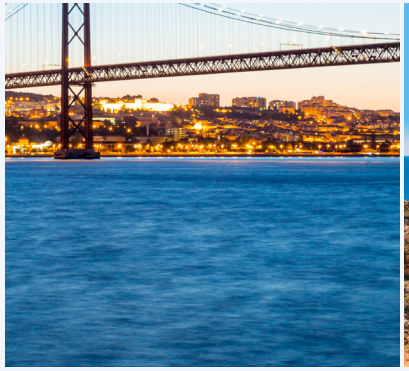


TRAIN Lab format

- ✔ 3 sectoral workshops
- ✔ Technical and methodological consulting

Key objectives

- ✔ Diagnose the main problems and challenges affecting each subsector
- ✔ Identify opportunities and potential solution pathways in parallel
- ✔ Formulate actionable recommendations aligned with local needs,
- ✔ Structured across three levels of action : companies, government and municipal entities, and local and regional associations.







TRAIN Lab

ZADAR COUNTY / HGK-CCE

October 17, 2025
December 15, 2025

Sines & Odemira

Challenges identified

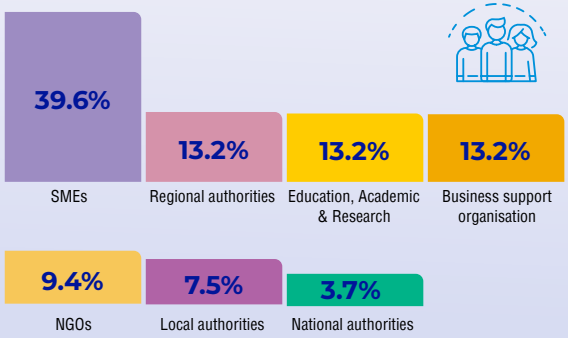
Maritime and coastal infrastructure
Pollution and waste management
Sustainable tourism

53 participants

6 accelerated solutions

- **1** public authority
- **1** interest group
- **1** higher education and research organisation
- **3** enterprise and SMEs

PARTICIPANTS



TRAIN Lab format

- ✔ Mentoring
- ✔ Technical and strategic support
- ✔ Expert validation
- ✔ Thematic workshops

Key objectives

- ✔ Help participants finalise their solutions
- ✔ Exchange experiences with mentors and stakeholders
- ✔ Define the next steps in development
- ✔ Learn more about funding opportunities and international activities in 2026







TRAIN Lab

OCCITANIE & REGION SUD / PMM

November 6, 2025

Palavas-les-Flots

Challenges identified

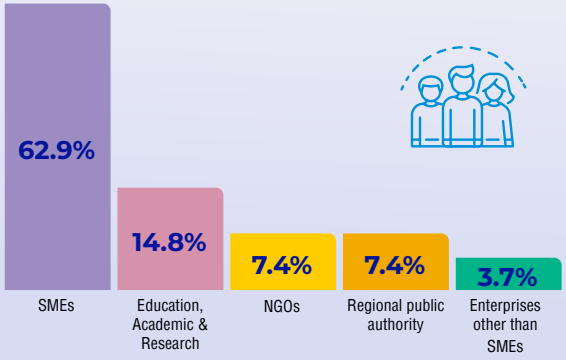
Water management in port areas

29 participants

10 accelerated solutions

- **7** enterprises & SMEs
- **1** public authority
- **1** research organisation
- **3** association NGO

PARTICIPANTS



TRAIN Lab format

- ✔ Pitch sessions
- ✔ B2B meetings
- ✔ Interaction with port authorities
- ✔ Technical visit to the port of Palavas

Key objectives

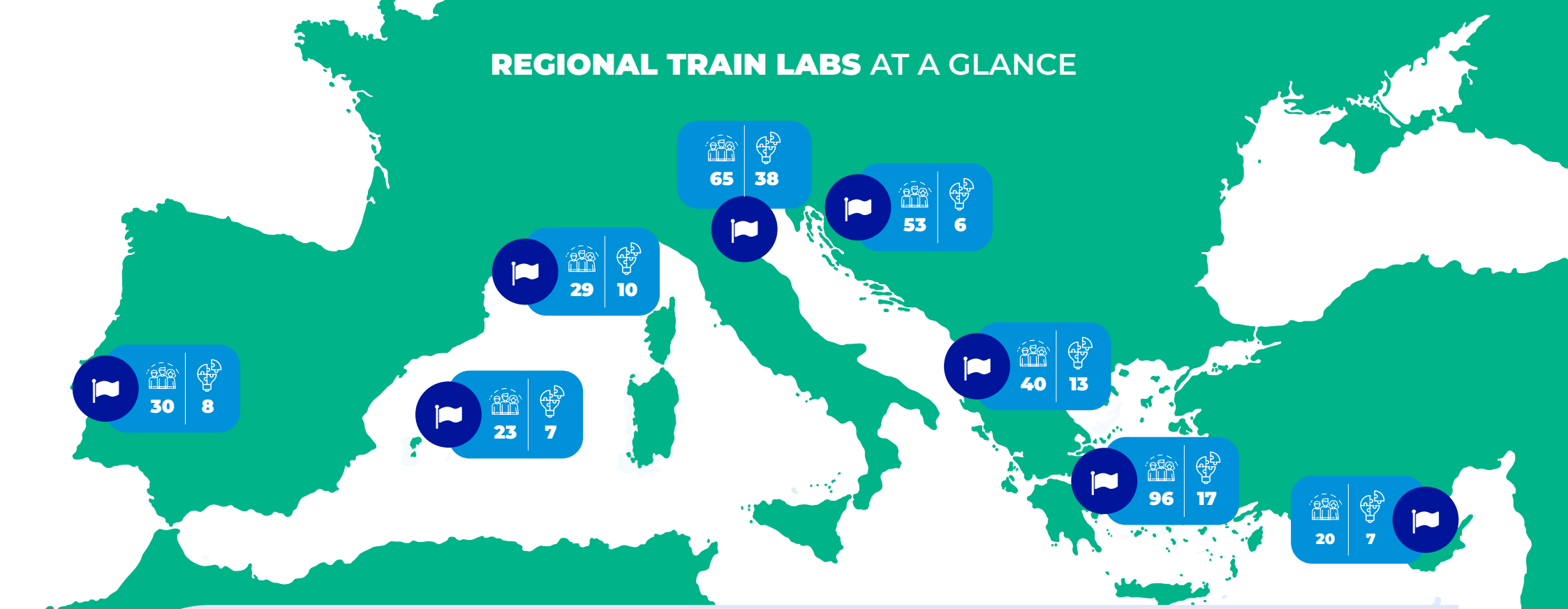
- ✔ Accelerate maturation and facilitate networking between solution providers, port authorities and public institutions, rather than selecting a small number of winners







REGIONAL TRAIN LABS AT A GLANCE



HOW MANY?

8 regional ecosystems

357 participants

106 accelerated solutions

WHO TOOK PART?

SMEs	Business support organisation	Education, Academic & Research	NGOs	National authorities
30.2%	13.3%	13.1%	8%	7.5%

Enterprises other than SMEs	Individual	Regional authorities	Sectoral agency	Other	Local authorities
7.1%	6.5%	2.8%	2.8%	2.6%	1.8%

WHAT DID WE **LEARN?**

WHAT WORKED WELL

01 | Diversity creates connections

Bringing different profiles together revealed complementarities that would otherwise remain hidden.

02 | Collaboration needs structure

Facilitation and well-designed formats helped turn open discussion into concrete outcomes.

03 | Context matters

The methodology works best when adapted to local challenges, ecosystems and maturity levels.

04 | Acceleration does not stop at the event

Follow-up, expert support and matchmaking are essential to turn connections into lasting opportunities.

CHALLENGES TO KEEP IN MIND

- ✔ Significant preparation time required
- ✔ Stakeholder engagement and mobilisation
- ✔ Different Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs)
- ✔ Post-event follow-up and long-term support





FROM IDEAS TO SOLUTIONS
ACCELERATING INNOVATION THROUGH REGIONAL ECOSYSTEMS*

* Source: D2.2.2 Transnational Call for Transformative Blue Innovations: Acceleration Process and TRAIN LABS

SOLUTION CLASSIFICATION

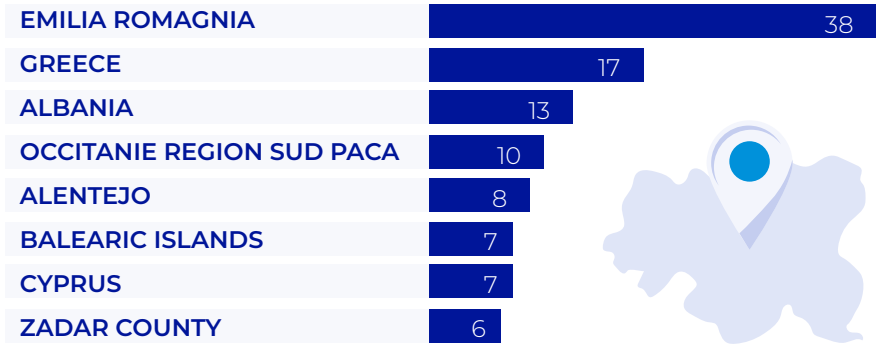
The 106 solutions were identified across eight regional ecosystems, reflecting the diversity of innovation dynamics and blue economy priorities across the Mediterranean.

8 regional ecosystems

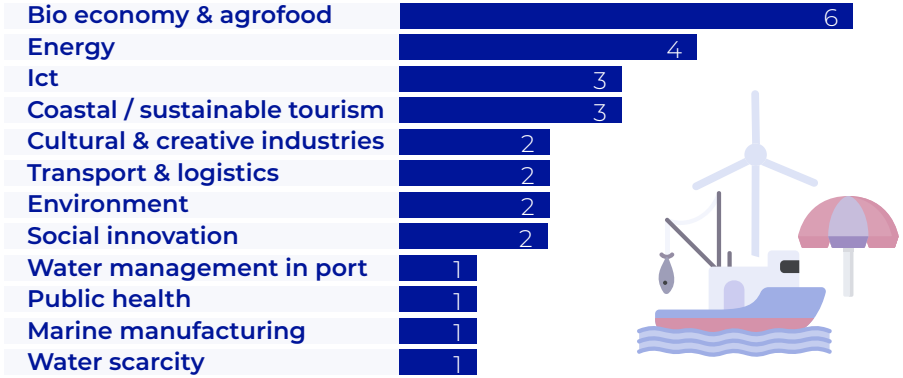
6 types of innovation

106 accelerated solutions

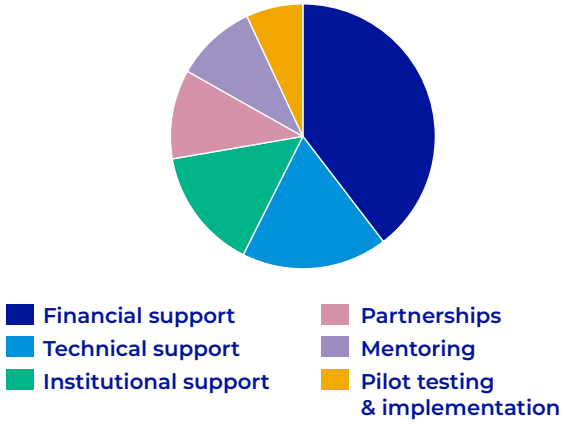
NUMBER OF SOLUTIONS RECEIVED **PER REGION**



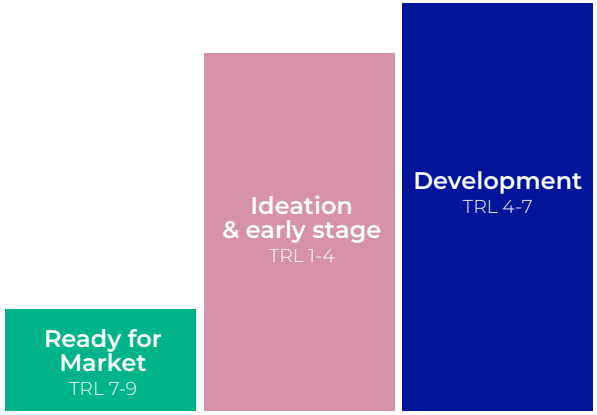
TARGETED CHALLENGE



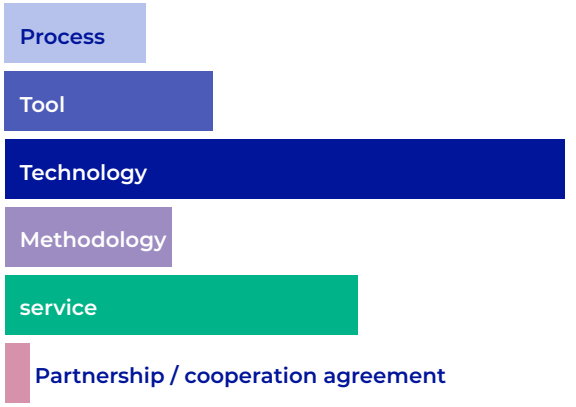
IDENTIFIED NEEDS



TECHNOLOGY READINESS LEVEL (TRL)



TYPE OF INNOVATION



SUCCESS STORIES – PROOF OF IMPACT

A selection of inspiring solutions that successfully benefited from the TRAIN Labs acceleration process.

Testimony of UAMD, **Albania**

As a direct result of the visibility generated through the TRAIN Lab and the BLUE ECOMATCH acceleration process, the solution BLUE FISH TO FORK NETWORK attracted the interest of Innovation Sea (Italy), a cleantech company specialised in marine waste detection, mapping, and recovery technologies. Following the presentation of the solution, Innovation Sea contacted the solution provider to explore potential collaboration opportunities, recognising strong synergies between the two initiatives and proposing an introductory meeting to discuss future joint activities.



Testimony of HGK, **Zadar County, Croatia**

Enabling active cooperation between private companies, academic researchers, and public officials in the same room broke down traditional communication barriers between specialised businesses and directly accelerated trust-building.



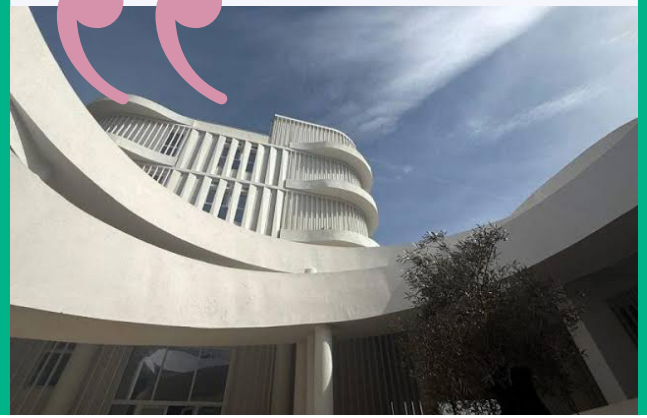
VOICES FROM THE ECOSYSTEM: FROM CONNECTION TO ACTION

Selected testimonials and quotations from solution providers, stakeholders and TRAIN Lab participants, highlighting their experience and the added value of the methodology.

Testimony of UAMD, **Albania**

"Participating in the UAMD Regional TRAIN Lab was an inspiring experience that connected us with experts, researchers, and innovation stakeholders who shared valuable insights and practical feedback. The acceleration process helped us refine our solution, establish meaningful partnerships, and identify concrete opportunities for further development at both regional and European levels."

Dr. Mirseda Shehdula
University "Aleksandër Moisiu"
Durrës, Academic Staff member



Testimony of Zadar County Train Lab Participant,**Croatia**

Here is a reflection from a local maritime technology participant regarding his experience in the Zadar regional acceleration programme:
"Participating in the Zadar TRAIN Lab completely transformed how we approach cross-border R&D.
The structure directly connected our aquaculture solutions with public authorities and international research partners, accelerating a timeline that would have otherwise taken us years to navigate independently."

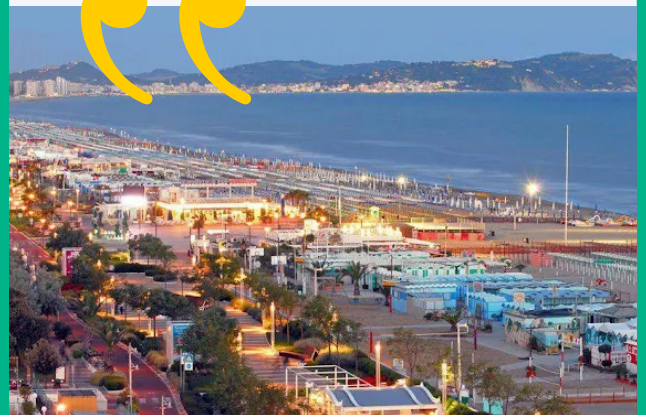
Zadar TRAIN Lab participant



Testimony of ERR TrainLab participant, **Italy**

"The TRAIN Lab journey enabled us to connect with organisations that we would have been unlikely to meet otherwise. In addition to expanding our network, we had the opportunity to test our solution with another company we met during the programme, gathering valuable feedback and verifying the actual interest of the other solution providers."

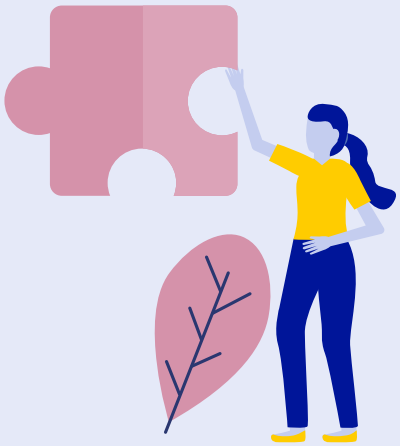
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Sea The Change, CEO





CONNECTING ECOSYSTEMS
SCALING COLLABORATION BEYOND REGIONAL BORDERS

FROM REGIONAL TO TRANSNATIONAL COLLABORATION





Building on the experience gained through the regional TRAIN Labs, the project developed a **shared transnational methodology** designed to extend the acceleration process beyond regional boundaries. While maintaining a common framework, this methodology was flexible enough to accommodate the diversity of the accelerated solutions, including differences in:

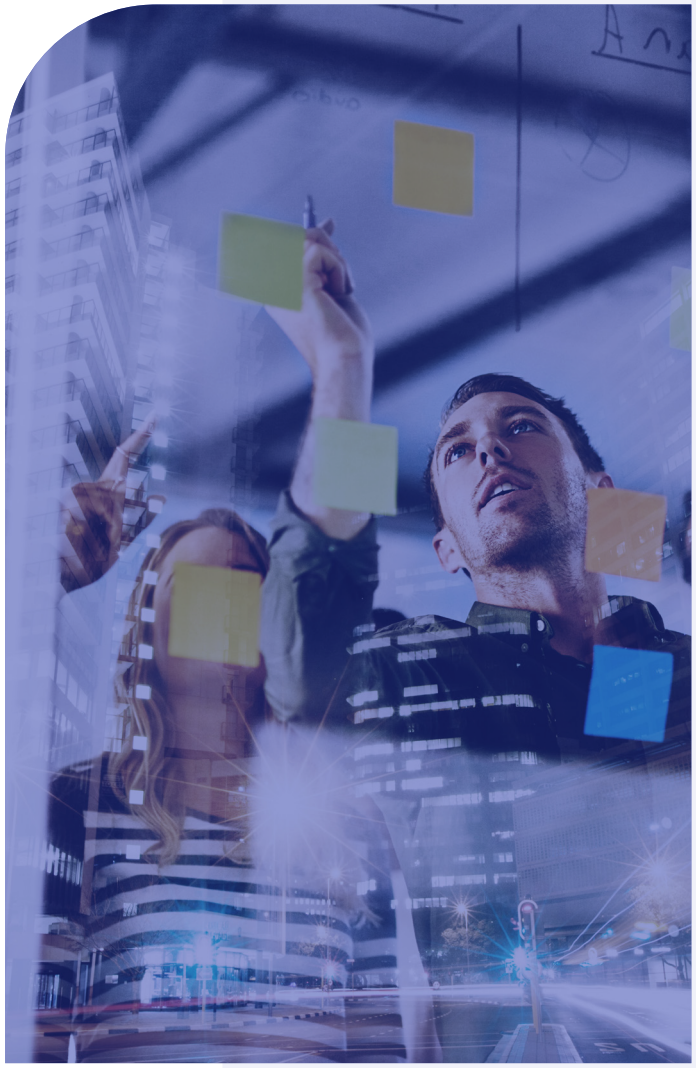
- ✔ **Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs)**
- ✔ **Regional challenges**
- ✔ **Stakeholder profiles (Quintuple Helix)**
- ✔ **Types of innovation and solutions**
- ✔ **Identified needs and market opportunities**

Objectives of the Transnational Approach

The transnational event aimed to:

- ✔ **Foster cross-border collaboration**
- ✔ **Create new synergies between regional innovation ecosystems**
- ✔ **Open regional ecosystems to a wider Mediterranean and European network**
- ✔ **Facilitate the identification of new European partners for future cooperation**

METHODOLOGY



Cross-regional analysis

Cross-cutting challenges identified across the eight regions were analysed to reveal shared needs and opportunities for cooperation.

Assessing selected solutions

Evaluation of solutions according to 5 criteria:

- ☑ **Scalability & transnational replicability**
- ☑ **Potential environmental, social and economic impact**
- ☑ **Innovative character**
- ☑ **Relevance to regional challenges**
- ☑ **Quintuple helix engagement**

Selecting solutions for transnational cooperation

The scoring process identified the solutions with the strongest potential for transfer and replication across regions.

Transnational TRAIN LAB & matchmaking

Selected solution providers were connected with stakeholders from other regions through a dedicated matchmaking session, creating opportunities for collaboration, transfer and future replication.

THE BLUE ECOMATCH EVENT, A TRANSNATIONAL TRAINLAB

This event led to the development of a new methodology capable of addressing both the project's shared objectives and the diversity and specific characteristics of the accelerated solutions developed across the different regional TRAIN Labs.

The **BLUE ECOMATCH** event brought together **18 innovative Blue Economy solutions** selected through the regional TRAIN Labs, providing a unique opportunity to connect innovators, stakeholders and regional ecosystems from across the Mediterranean.

The event was organised around two complementary sessions:

Morning Session
Solution Pitches

The morning featured a series of short, dynamic pitch sessions, enabling each solution provider to present their innovation, its key features, and its scaling ambitions.

Afternoon Session
Matchmaking Workshops

The afternoon was dedicated to **thematic matchmaking sessions**, organised around **four thematic discussion tables.**



These workshops brought together solution providers, facilitators and stakeholders to exchange ideas and explore collaboration opportunities. Through interactive discussions, participants identified common challenges, scaling needs and potential synergies between solutions and territories.

The sessions focused on:

- ✔ Fostering cross-border cooperation
- ✔ Sharing expertise, knowledge and resources
- ✔ Identifying concrete opportunities for future collaboration
- ✔ Defining next steps beyond the project



Capturing the Voices of Innovation

During the event, interviews were conducted with several solution providers, capturing their experiences, expectations and perspectives on the value of transnational collaboration.

Watch the interviews >

Key Outcomes

Presentation of the main findings from the matchmaking workshops, including:

- ✔ Common needs expressed by solution providers
- ✔ Collaboration opportunities identified
- ✔ Potential partnerships established
- ✔ Valuable expert feedback that helped improve the technical, business and sustainability dimensions of the solutions
- ✔ Recommendations for future cooperation

BLUE ECOMATCH demonstrated that innovation flourishes when regional ecosystems connect. By creating opportunities for dialogue, collaboration and knowledge exchange, the event laid the foundations for a stronger Mediterranean innovation community, capable of scaling sustainable Blue Economy solutions beyond project boundaries.

TESTIMONIES AND OUTCOMES OF ERR SOLUTIONS



New project opportunities

The collaboration between Sea the Change and the Zadar Chamber of Commerce (Croatia) led to their joint involvement in a project proposal submitted under the TASC Restore MED call. The partnership is now being further developed through the preparation of a new joint proposal under the Erasmus+ programme.

Strengthening cross-regional cooperation

Another important outcome is the collaboration established with ASSET - Apulia Regional Strategic Agency (Region of Apulia), which was also involved in a project proposal developed under the TASC Restore MED call.

New connections for TechFem

The Blue EcoMatch also generated promising contacts for **TechFem**, including the French companies **SolarinBlue** and **ILDIS Robotics**, the Greek company **GLAFCOS Marine**, and the Croatian organisation **PROVID**.

WANT TO ORGANISE YOUR OWN TRAIN LAB?

Whether you are a regional authority, cluster, innovation agency or ecosystem facilitator, the TRAIN Labs methodology can be adapted to your own regional context. **Use the checklists below as a practical guide to prepare, facilitate and follow up on your own collaborative innovation process.**

BEFORE

- ☑ Define your challenge
- ☑ Map your ecosystem
- ☑ Identify facilitators
- ☑ Launch the call
- ☑ Select solutions
- ☑ Prepare participants



DURING

- ☑ Create the right mix of stakeholders
- ☑ Facilitate co-creation
- ☑ Capture opportunities
- ☑ Identify next steps



AFTER

- ☑ Follow up
- ☑ Connect partners
- ☑ Monitor collaborations
- ☑ Support replication



READY TO REPLICATE?



TRAIN LAB TOOLKIT

- **Step-by-step** guide
- **Call for solutions** template
- **Facilitator's** guide
- **Pitch** template
- **Matchmaking** support
- **Satisfaction** survey

Download and adapt our tools >

CONCLUSION - **LOOKING AHEAD**

Blue Transformative Book



BLUE ECOSYSTEM

From shared solutions to shared impact.

The TRAIN Labs have demonstrated that collaborative innovation is a powerful catalyst for accelerating the transition towards a more sustainable and resilient Blue Economy.

By bringing together innovators, businesses, public authorities, researchers and civil society, the methodology has proven effective in:

- ☑ **Fostering the emergence of innovative solutions**
- ☑ **Bridging the gap between regional needs and innovative businesses**
- ☑ **Accelerating European cooperation and cross-border partnerships**
- ☑ **Strengthening regional innovation ecosystems**

Beyond the achievements of the Blue Ecosystem project, the TRAIN Labs methodology provides a replicable and adaptable framework that can be implemented across other Mediterranean regions and applied to a wide range of sectors.

The methodology is now ready to travel.

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