



# MEETING OF THE CPMR INFORMAL GROUP ON THE BLUE DIMENSION OF S3

## 29 April 2024

14.30-17.30

Emilia-Romagna Region EU Office, 21 Rue du Montoyer, 1000 Brussels

*The meeting will be held in English in hybrid format*

*Kick-off meeting of the CPMR informal group on enhancing the blue dimension of smart specialisation strategies: How to boost innovation among CPMR regions for a smart and sustainable blue economy?*

14.30 – 15.00

### INTRODUCTION

Opening by CPMR representative: **Talvikki JORI**, CPMR Vice-President in charge of Maritime Affairs, Member of the Regional Board, Region of Southwest Finland

Welcome address by:

- **Justine BROSSARD**, CPMR Project and Policy Officer
- **Eleni HATZIYANNI**, Policy Officer DG MARE.A.3, Sea-basin Strategies, Maritime Regional Cooperation and Maritime Security, European Commission

**Tour de table**

15.00 – 16.15

### SESSION 1: WORKING SESSION TO STRUCTURE THE WORK OF THE INFORMAL GROUP

*This session aims at finalising the roadmap to structure the work of the informal group. The participants will notably validate the objectives, agree on the expected deliverables and the timeline of the activities.*

- Presentation of the work carried out by the CPMR as part of the Mission Ocean & Waters

Debate

*Participants will react to the presentation by sharing their feedback and proposals on the integration of this work in the activities of the group.*

- Presentation of the roadmap for 2024 / 2025

Debate

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adoption of the objectives and agreement on the expected deliverables</li> <li>- Validation of a timeline of the activities for 2024 and 2025</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Wrap-up and conclusions of Session 1</li> </ul> <p>Moderation by <b>Justine BROSSARD</b>, CPMR Project and Policy Officer</p>
16.15 – 16.30	<b>Coffee break</b>
16.30 – 17.20	<p><b>SESSION 2: IDENTIFYING INTERREGIONAL COOPERATION OPPORTUNITIES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Presentation of the newly created S3 Thematic Smart Specialisation Partnerships on SBE</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representative of <b>Emilia-Romagna</b> - Partnership on Maritime Sustainable Blue Bioeconomy</li> </ul> <p><i>Regions will react to this presentation by sharing their potential interest in integrating the partnership, their S3 areas aligned with the topic of the partnership, as well as their main role for those already part of the partnership. They will also have the possibility to raise opportunities and challenges related to the implementation of the partnership and suggest potential solutions.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representative of <b>Hauts-de-France</b> - Partnership on Circular Smart Aquaculture</li> </ul> <p><i>Regions will react to this presentation by sharing their potential interest in integrating the partnership, their S3 areas aligned with the topic of the partnership, as well as their main role for those already part of the partnership. They will also have the possibility to raise opportunities and challenges related to the implementation of the partnership and suggest potential solutions.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Identification of other S3 thematic areas in the blue economy sectors of interest for CPMR regions</li> </ul> <p><i>Based on the outcomes of the session during the CPMR GA and other suggestions from participants, regions will have the opportunity to identify other blue S3 areas on which they would like to collaborate (i.e., invasive species, micro algae, maritime security, skills, circularity).</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Wrap-up and conclusions of Session 2</li> </ul> <p>Moderation by <b>Irene VECCHIATO</b>, Policy Officer DG MARE A3 - Sea-basin Strategies and Maritime Regional Cooperation, including Smart Specialisation, European Commission</p>
17.20 – 17.30	<p><b>CLOSING</b></p> <p><b>Talvikki JORI</b>, CPMR Vice-President in charge of Maritime Affairs, Member of the Regional Board, Region of Southwest Finland</p>