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## Campania: a blue region



Campania owns a very rich coastline: international tourist attractions, manufacturing vocation in shipbuilding, two primary industrial ports, and a multitude of fishing harbours.

In addition to a blue-biotechnology research system with industrial applications, medical equipment and environmental issues.

For these reasons, Campania is "naturally" one of the most interesting poles in Italy for the blue economy.

### Regional Scenario

Campania has a wealth of business and research centres active in blue economy and marine resources:

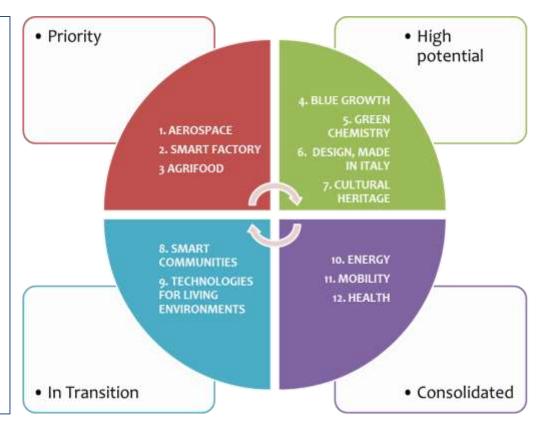
- \* Anton Dohrn Zoological Station
- National Research Council (CNR) (expecially Institute for coastal marine environment - IAMC),
- INGV, ENEA, INFN, 7 universities (among which Università di Napoli Federico II and Università di Napoli Parthenope)
- \* Fincantieri, Nautical Polo and a presence of historic shipyards

Campania also represents a **natural laboratory** of enormous complexity and criticality for the simultaneous presence of **opportunities** (untouched areas to be valued, protected marine areas) and threats (polluted areas, contaminated sites) beyond the National Interest Site of Bagnoli.



### The National Programme for Research

The National Research Program 2014-2020 identifies 12 Areas of Specialization - including **Blue Growth** around which to structure national and regional policies and instruments able to impact on the social and economic development of the country.





# Challenges of the regional maritime system

- Improve the capacity of its logistic nodes to capture steadily growing commercial flows that have the Mediterranean as a transit area.
- Diversify the productions with a view to enhancing the sea resource in the various economic dimensions - in particular those related to bio-economy - also by supporting the development of new businesses and the dissemination of technological solutions.
- Increase the "chain" logic and the attainment of a critical mass needed to compete internationally.



### Blue-economy

The Campania Region has identified the areas of **Blue-economy** and **Bio-economy** as areas where investments in **RIS3 specialization** strategies can be valued and cross-fertilized.

Blue-economy and Bio-economy are considered strategic for entry into emerging markets, for which broad demand growth rates are expected, aggravated by enhancing the skills and endogenous factors of the regional territory.

#### Areas of intervention

- Maritime Technologies
- Logistics, security and automation of port areas
- Blue Biotechnologies
- Protecting and enhancing the marine coastal environment



### Action Plan

- RIS3 Expanding technological domains to Blue Growth
- ERDF 2014-2020 Improving the competitiveness of the port and inter-sea system
- **ESF 2014-2020** Active policy measures with particular attention to sectors that offer greater growth prospects such as green economy, blue economy, enhancement of cultural heritage
- Promotion of National Blue Growth Technology Cluster located in Campania
- Bagnoli Recovery Plan (Tourist Port, Blue Mile, University of the Sea, High Tech and Research ...)
- Protocol of Understanding with the Liguria Region on Sea Economy



### Bagnoli Recovery Plan



- Blue economy
  - Research and Innovation
  - Cultural and
- creative production
  - Agri-food

Four strong key factors that can enable the revitalization of the **Bagnoli Coroglio area** to generate stable and sustainable development processes, with activities that stimulate the presence of citizens, productive activities and tourism, while generating significant employment prospects.



### Bagnoli Recovery Plan





#### Protocol of Understanding on Sea Economy

Campania and Liguria have undertaken to collaborate on research and innovation on the themes of the **sea economy** and **innovation**.

Targeted synergies and actions that can boost the economy of the two regions even in complementary use of the structural funds.



->Strengthening the competences and specializations present on their respective territories through Clusters, Research and Innovation Poles, Technological and Industrial Districts.

->Planning Actions, Pilot Projects to **support innovative business creation**.





## Thanks for your attention!

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