

WestMED Hackathon '24 – Green Shipping and Ports

Algarve(Portugal), 3 October 2024

The UfM Regional Transport Action Plan (RTAP 2021-2027)

Implementation priorities and related activities

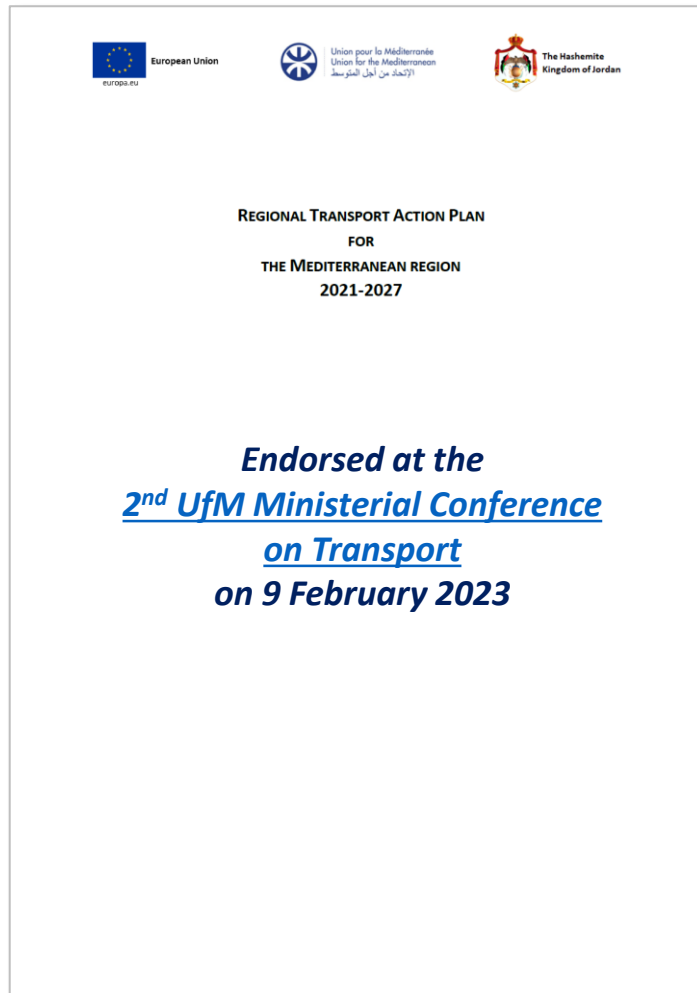
Focus on Greening Ports and Maritime Transport in the region

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The new Regional Transport Action Plan (RTAP) 2021-2027



- Key Global and Regional Reference Policy Frameworks
- Operational objectives
- Proposed Actions
 - ✓ National Transport Strategies and Policies
 - ✓ Transport connectivity network, financing, logistics and multimodal
 - ✓ Land transport (road transport, urban mobility and rail transport)
 - ✓ **Maritime transport and commercial seaports**
 - ✓ Civil aviation
- Implementation and evaluation
- Performance indicators

The new Regional Transport Action Plan (RTAP) 2021-2027

➤ 28 actions

6 actions on Maritime Transport and commercial seaports

Action 8: Regulatory reforms and accession to international agreements in maritime and port sectors

Action 9: Port efficiency improvement

Action 10: Development of maritime transport

Action 11: Maritime safety

Action 12: Maritime security

Action 13: Protection of the marine environment

Action 14: Training and certification of seafarers

Meetings of the UfM Regional Platform on Transport Connectivity and its thematic Working Groups (Brussels, 3-4 October 2023)

- Assess the **progress made** so far in the regional transport cooperation and identify **challenges** that have emerged.
- Discuss our **priorities** moving forward in light of the implementation of the new RTAP 2021-2027 and the Ministerial Declaration endorsed on 9 February 2023.
- The meeting of the **WG on Maritime Transport** also offered the possibility to reflect on how to maximise the benefits of **SAFEMED V**.
- The WGs also served as a platform for **initial discussions on monitoring and evaluation**, laying the groundwork for the **mid-term review of the RTAP** foreseen by the **end of 2024**.
- **The next round of meetings of the Regional Platform and its WGs** have will be held in **Barcelona** (UfMS HQ) on **27-28 November 2024**.

RTAP Priorities on Sustainable Ports and Maritime Transport

1. Greening of ports and shipping and protection of marine environment through regulatory reforms and accession to/implementation of international agreements
2. Emissions reduction measures in ports and maritime transport
(exchange of best practices)
3. Environmental management plans for ports
4. Ports as sustainable energy hubs
5. Development of maritime transport through the Motorways of the Sea concept

UfM CONFERENCE ON GREENING MARITIME TRANSPORT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

BARCELONA, SPAIN, 8-9 JUNE 2023

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Barcelona 25th Anniversary
7-9 junio 2023

UfM Conference on Greening Maritime Transport in the Mediterranean (8-9 June 2023, Barcelona, Spain)

The Conference was aimed at:

- Sharing knowledge and strengthening cooperation between UfM countries
- Exploring the way forward for the green transition in ports and maritime transport

in the light of the renewed UfM mandate.

- *Participants:*

- *EC (DG MOVE, DG MARE), EMSA, **MEDPorts Association, ESPO, IAPH (WPSP), EIB (BMP), PLIFF (Green Ports)...***

Also invited IMO, DG ENV, WestMed Initiative, ...

UfM Conference on Greening Maritime Transport in the Mediterranean (8-9 June 2023, Barcelona, Spain)

- 1. Policy and regulatory framework for a Green Transition of Maritime Transport in the Mediterranean**
- 2. Green Ports: Emission Reduction Measures, Energy Transition and Environmental Incentives**
- 3. Green Shipping: Alternative Fuels, Green Technologies, and R&D Initiatives**
- 4. Protection of Marine Environment related to Maritime Transport in the Mediterranean**
- 5. Funding opportunities for greening of maritime transport in the Mediterranean.**

Cross-sectorial collaboration with the UfM Energy Portfolio

OMEC- ECGM JointConference : How to Decarbonise the Maritime Sector in the MED?

(8 October 2024, Paris, France)

Under the framework of the UfM WG on Gas, Emissions Abatement and Hydrogen (former UfM Gas Platform)

The sessions will cover the following **key themes**:

- **Overview of Maritime Emissions:** Presenting data on greenhouse gas emissions from maritime activities in the Mediterranean and their environmental impact.
- **Policy Frameworks and Regulatory Initiatives:** Examining existing and proposed regulations at the national, regional, and international levels aimed at reducing maritime emissions.
- **Technological Aspects for Greening Maritime Shipping:** Assessing the feasibility and scalability of emerging technologies such as alternative fuels, energy-efficient propulsion systems, and renewable energy integration for ships operating in the Mediterranean.
- **Infrastructure Development:** Discussing the infrastructure requirements for supporting sustainable maritime transportation, including shore power facilities, bunkering stations, decarbonization of ports, and port upgrades.
- **Economic and Social Implications:** Analyzing the economic costs and benefits of decarbonization measures for various stakeholders, as well as their social implications for maritime communities.
- **Cross-Sectoral Collaboration:** Exploring opportunities for collaboration between the maritime industry, energy sector, research institutions, and governments to accelerate decarbonization efforts.

- OMEC : Organisation Méditerranéenne de l'Energie et du Climat
- EMGF : East Mediterranean Gas Forum

World Ocean Council - <https://www.oceancouncil.org/>

WOC – The Global Blue Economy Business and Investment Organization

- Bringing together industry leaders in ocean sustainable development, stewardship and science
- Advancing ocean business leadership, collaboration and action on the Sustainable Development Goals
- Building the global ocean business and investment community and engaging with other ocean stakeholders



[WOC Sustainable Ocean Summit - SOS](#) - Barcelona, 5-6 Nov 2024

[WOC Global Blue Finance Summit - BlueFIN](#) - Barcelona, 7 Nov 2024

"Leadership in Mediterranean Green Shipping" Event

Barcelona, 4 November 2024 - as part of the European **GREEN MARINE MED** project



- The event will bring together key actors across the Spanish, Mediterranean, and international Green Shipping community, including established industry leaders, ports and marinas, fuel and energy stakeholders, finance, and innovation experts.
- Launch of the **Centre of Excellence on Green Shipping** and the **International Call for Innovation (challenge competition)**.

The Way Forward and the Role of the UfM Secretariat (TRANSPORT)

1. Activities/initiatives under the UfM Co-presidency (EU and Jordan)

➤ Regional (policy) dialogue:

- **UfM Regional Platform** on Transport Connectivity.
- Thematic Working Groups (incl. **WG on Maritime Transport**).

The Way Forward and the Role of the UfM Secretariat (TRANSPORT)

2. Activities/initiatives promoted by the UfM Secretariat

- In **coordination** with the **European Commission** / with **partner regional and international organisations**.
- Linked to the **implementation** of the **RTAP** or to the implementation of the **global agendas**, with a focus in the **Mediterranean region**.
- Focus on **selected areas** (e.g. Sustainability of Ports and Maritime transport).
- Collaboration with **port authorities, shipping companies, logistics operators**.

The Way Forward and the Role of the UfM Secretariat

2. Activities/initiatives promoted by the UfM Secretariat

➤ Different formats:

- **Regional dialogue** and cooperation
- **Technical assistance** and **capacity building** (RTAP implementation)
- **Awareness raising / communication campaigns.**
- **Adhering to / supporting on-going initiatives and projects or proposing new ones (UfM label, visibility and political endorsement)**
- **Financial facilitator with IFIs and donors**



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Thank you for your attention!

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