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EUSAIR Facility Point – update on implementation of functions

24th Governing Board meeting
Patras, 13 February 2025



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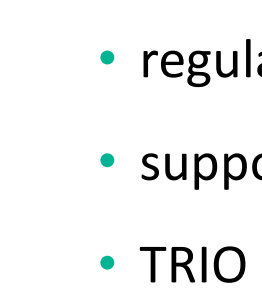


*1. Administrative
and technical
support to the
EUSAIR
governance*





Support to EUSAIR GB, NCs, Presidency

- Organisation and support to **4 Governing Board meetings**
 - Organisation and support to **6 National Coordinators meetings**
 - **Youth Consultation Task Force** – 6 meetings (23 January 2025)
 - **Support to Presidency**
 - regular coordination meetings with EC
 - support to MRS processes (EYC, 2027+)
 - TRIO Presidency – 4 meetings
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Support to TSGs and PCs

- Organisation and support to **16 meetings of 6 Thematic Steering Groups**
- Organisation and support to **Spring 2025 meetings:**
 - TSG1: Mid March 2025 - Date tbd, Montenegro
 - TSG2-Transport: 25 February 2025 (online)
 - TSG2-Energy: 15 April 2025 (Belgrade, Serbia)
 - TSG3: 7 April 2025 (Corfu, Greece)
 - TSG4: 27 March 2025 (Kalamata, Greece) - tbc
 - TSG5: Croatia, Zadar, April (tbd)
- **Technical Pillar Coordinators meetings – 4 meetings**





Support to EUSAIR Youth Council

- **Organisation of 1st EYC meeting and capacity building** – Dubrovnik, 21-23 November 2024
- **RoP and 2024 EYC Workplan development support** – Dec. 24 – Feb. 25
- **2nd EYC meeting online**, 13 January 2025
- **2nd EYC Call** (April-May 2025)

Support to events: Presidency and Pillar thematic events (organised so far)

Thematic pillar or cross-pillar events - supporting Presidency and TSGs in organisation:

- Alltogether 5 events organised
- Since the last GB:
 - **Pillar 2:** Trieste, 28.11.2024 - Workshop on connecting the Adriatic Ionian Region through Advanced Technology and Training for the Energy Transition in the Port Sector"
 - **Pillar 1:** Piraeus, 10.12.2024 - Blue Skills Conference

Support to events: Presidency and Pillar thematic events (2025) 1/2

- **PSY: Unlocking Opportunities for Post-2027 Europe:** EUSAIR, Interreg, and Cohesion Policy in Joint Action, Thessaloniki (EL), 7.2.2025
- **PSY/Pillar 5:** Promoting policies and practices for skills in the macroregion, Athens (EL), 4.-5.3.2025
- **PSY/Pillar 2 - Energy:** Prospects for Energy Networks Development, Hydrogen Market, Offshore Renewable Potential: Challenges and Solutions for the Adriatic and Ionian Macroregion, Athens (EL), 12.3.2025
- **PSY/Pillar 4:** Conference on Tourism, in collaboration with the Ministry of Tourism, Kalamata (GR), 28.3.2025

Support to events: Presidency and Pillar thematic events (2025) 2/2

- **PSY/Pillar 3:** Upscaling sustainable solutions to build climate resilience of coastal zones in the Adriatic-Ionian macro-region, Corfu (GR), 8.-9.4.2025
- **Pillar 2 Transport:** Development of passenger rail connections and interoperability along the routes of the ETC Western-Balkans Eastern Mediterranean (WBEM), Rome (IT), end of March/First quarter of April (tbc)
- Mediterranean Coast and Macro-regional Strategies Week, Izola (SI), 15.-18.9.2025
- **Pillar 2 Energy:** EUSAIR Workshop on-line on Updated Master Plan on Energy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region foreseen by October/November 2025
- **Pillar 2/Pillar 5:** Green Skills for the Transport and Energy Transition in Adriatic-Ionian Ports, Trieste (IT), October/November 2025 (tbc)

Support to EUSAIR Forum

10th EUSAIR Annual Forum



- 10th EUSAIR Forum, Crete, 6-7 May 2025, 5 May – IPA ADRION 2nd Call launch event (tbc)
- Support to Hellenic Presidency in organisation of 10th EUSAIR Annual Forum



2. *Communication and Coordination*



Communication activities

- **EUSAIR Communication Strategy** - consolidated draft after EGP consolidation by end of February, sharing of the file with EUSAIR bodies for any further comments
- **Web-site renewal:** procurement not finalised - (complaint to decision), expected contract and start of new website development in April 2025
- **EUSAIR visual brand identity with handbook** in preparation
- Setting up of **EUSAIR National Contact Points (ECP)** till Summer 2025

Please use the logo in all your communication concerning EUSAIR, available at the [website](#)



Communication - 10th Anniversary

▶ **EUSAIR Achievements (Strategy and Pillars) in 10 years**

- Brochure and online content (website, social media)
- Video
- To be distributed/played at Forum

▶ **10 Years of EUSAIR in 10 EUSAIR Countries**

- 10 stories
- one story per month – March-December 2025
- Online content (website, social media)



Coordination tools – EUSAIR Governance revision

- In progress
 - Development of **EGP Guidelines** – consolidation within EGP in March, then sharing with EUSAIR bodies
 - Development of revised **RoPs drafts** (GB, TSGs) as support to Presidency – more efficient procedures
 - Development of **Pillar Roadmap for Actions** template – more detailed plan on implementation of Actions

Coordination tools – Annual workplan, EUSAIR Planner

- **Workplan 2025** - monthly updates on plans for events and activities concerning EUSAIR for 2025,
- **EUSAIR Planner** - confirmed events, consolidations in progress, holidays in 10 countries inserted in calendar,
- **Excel files updated on intranet** (consolidated with FP PPs, StEP and SP4EUSAIR)

Please check when you
are planning events and
meetings

Coordination tools – contact lists of nominated GB/TSG members

- **New procedure in place** for informing Facility Point on nominations of **TSG/GB members** (National delegations) – online form
- **Updated GB contact list** (including members of National Delegations) on the intranet – managed by Facility Point LP
- December-January – **NCs requested to update TSG lists** for their country
- Publishing of **updated TSG lists** on the intranet by March – managed by Facility Point PPs on behalf of PCs
- Such check to be made on yearly basis

Coordination – Facility Point, EGP, cross-MRS

➤ **Facility Point**

- **Monthly Facility Point Partnership Working meetings**

➤ **EGP Joint Steering Committee**

- Regular online coordination meetings
- 3 in person meetings - shared organization (Trieste, 30-31 January 2025)
- Regular updates of Annual Workplan

➤ **Cross macro-regional exchanges**

- Cooperation among 4 MRS **SUs** and with Interact

Actions supporting horizontal/cross-cutting topics



S3 study in 2025 - ToR development

- on S3 complementarities, potentials for interregional cooperation
- identification of possible cooperation topics/projects linked to EUSAIR actions
- recommendations for future cooperation model

SMART ERA project

- Promoting smart villages concept
- 4 MRS

*3. Support to
decision making
and capacity
development for
EUSAIR
implementers*



Tools for evidence-based decision-making



- ▶ **Pillar thematic expert's engagement**
 - engaged in Pillar 3 and 4
 - Tender in progress Pillar 2 and 5
 - Pillar 1 – ToR in progress
- ▶ **Macro-regional issue papers – EUSAIR perspective on 2027+**
 - Consultation from July-November 2024
 - Final Report – December 2024 – February 2025

Capacity Building

**PPs leading: Municipality of Izola, SI
in cooperation with Ministry of
European Affairs, ME**

- **Capacity building needs assessment**
- during summer 2024
- **Capacity building programme - 1st draft developed**, in internal consolidation, to be shared by end of March
- **Newcomers kit** - 1st draft developed, finalisation




4. *Monitoring and Evaluation of EUSAIR*



Monitoring and evaluating implementation of the Action Plan

PP leading: Ministry of economy and finance, EL

- **Annual Pillar Progress Report 2024** - by 28 February 2025 (old template)
- **Monitoring&Evaluation Framework** - ToR developed in January 2025, procurement procedure in Spring 2025, signature of contract with selected experts planned in September 2025
- **Contents and Format of Annual Reports template** - October 2025
- **Progress Report 2024** - December 2025
- Preparation of a **specific system of monitoring and evaluation indicators of the Pillars of EUSAIR** - January 2026



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