



TSG Report for EUSAIR Governing Board

24th Governing Board meeting, 13.2.2025, Greece, Patras

Reporting period: 11.10.2024-13.2.2025

TSG: 1

Introduction

Purpose

The Hellenic Presidency introduced the TSG Report for EUSAIR Governing Board with the purpose to **streamline the Governing Board and Pillar Coordinator's Technical Meetings**, which should focus more on discussions on strategic topics raised and agreed among meeting participants.

Tasks

The reporting about past and future activities of TSGs should be summarised in this Report, which **shall be prepared by Pillar Coordinators and sent 10 calendar days prior to the meetings** to allow participants to read these reports in advance.

EUSAIR Facility Point Lead Partner will gather these reports and make them available at the EUSAIR intranet.

Content

This Report captures main activities and achievements of the TSG in the period since the last Governing Board meeting and plans for the next period.

The Report itself should be short – extracting the most relevant information for participants: 3 pages max. Meeting participants might ask for further information at the meeting.

For the presentation at the Pillar Coordinators Technical meeting ppt template was prepared to ensure the best use of time.

Report

Main issues proposed to be discussed at upcoming meetings

Which topics would you like to address at the upcoming PC meeting (12/02/2025):

There is a problem of proper representation from some countries, as the list is not updated (even after the efforts of the Facility Point), or - in some cases - the members from administration are not participating or are not well informed on the needs and priorities of Pillar 1 as they do not work on the relevant issues

TSG meetings

LAST TSG MEETING (insert the number of the meeting)

Date and place of the last TSG meeting: 9 December 2024, Piraeus (Greece)

Meeting format (tick the box): online in presence hybrid

Any participating country missing: Yes No Which one: Albania (not present), Bosnia & Herzegovina (not present), San Marino (not represented in TSG1)

Main conclusions:

To work further on the better collaboration between the TSG1 members, to the promotion of Pillar 1 activities to the general public, and on the upskilling of blue skills to all those involved or interested on blue economy sectors

NEXT TSG MEETING (insert the number of the meeting)

Date and place of the next TSG meeting: tbd, Montenegro

Meeting format (tick the box): online in presence hybrid

Main topics proposed for the next TSG meeting:

tbd

Nominations and TSG members' activity

Any issues with nominations (e.g. no TSG member from participating country): There are no TSG1 members nominated from San Marino

Any TSG member not responsive: All the Albanian TSG1 members (all the e-mails are returning, and the efforts made for contact through national representatives were without any success)

Main TSG activities/achievements

Update on strategic implementation (past and plans):

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Any update on embedding (past and plans):

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Any visibility/communication/stakeholder engagement activities to highlight (past and plans):

A major event was organised in Piraeus (Greece) at the 10th of December (Hybrid), called "Blue Skills for a Sustainable Blue Economy in Adriatic & Ionian Region", in collaboration with the E. Commission (DG REGIO, DG MARE), and under the Aspicies of the Hellenic Presidency

Key conclusion from events organised/attended:

The need for all those involved with Blue Economy Sectors in the Macro-Region to proceed with the preparation and signing of a Pact for Blue Skills. The TSG1 Chairs were authorised to prepare a draft and facilitate this effort

Future events:

- 21 FEB 2025: TSG1 Capacity Building Workshop (co-organized with the SP4EUSAIR)
- Mid MAR 2025 (tbd): TSG1 online meeting on preparing a Blue Skills Pact

Plans for the EUSAIR Annual Forum:

Pillar 1 Blue Growth Session: Sustainable development of coastal communities (marine or inland) through blue upskilling of local population

Key achievement from the last period:

Increased visibiliy of TSG1 priorities and actions

Any interaction with EUSAIR Youth Council:

Yes: Youth Council representatives were invited to the Blue Skills Event (10th of December) to present their role, under the theme "The next blue generation - Info and Needs"

Any additional information to be added (for example cross-Pillar activities, joint meetings/activities with related EUSDR Priority Areas etc.):

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