



Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions

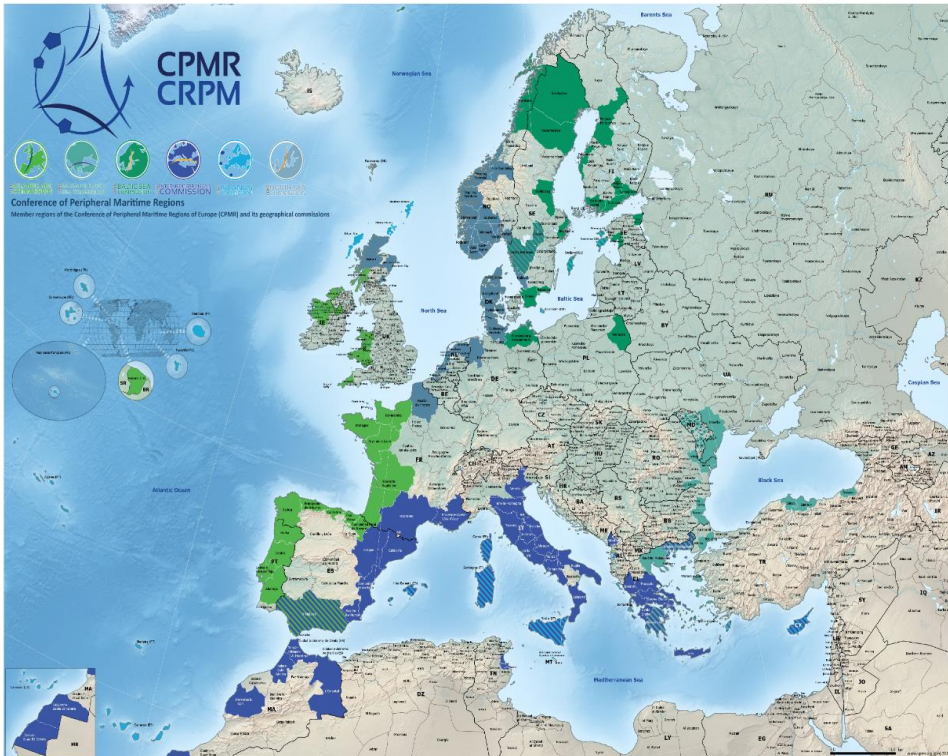
The CPMR experience from across Europe

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The CPMR in a nutshell



- pan-European lobby, think tank
- 150 Regions, 25 countries, 200m citizens
- Works closely with **EU Institutions** (e.g. SEARICA Intergroup of European Parliament)
- MoU with **BSEC** (on Environment, Maritime Transport & Accessibility, ...) and **Union for the Mediterranean**





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SEARICA Intergroup



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- **Marine Litter - Europe's answers to a global challenge**

Mission - Plastic Free Ocean

Towards a circular economy and sustainable tourism on islands

- **Towards sustainable maritime and coastal tourism communities**
- **A plastic-free Mediterranean Sea in the making**



Policy and Projects Work



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- CPMR has worked to outline the proposals to fight plastic pollution and marine litter, and promote Regions' views in European Commission debates
- [Declaration](#) presented by North Sea Commission's President and adopted by the [CPMR Political Bureau](#) in June 2018
- SUD Region (France) represented CPMR in debates on plastic & marine litter, organised by SEARICA in 2018
- Beach cleaning exercise in Fredrikstad (Norway) and Madeira (Portugal) at the CPMR General Assembly

Policy and Projects Work



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CPMR supports cooperation between its Member Regions and public-private organisations, involving the development of European cooperation projects.

Together with our Geographical Commissions we are involved in:

- CleanAtlantic Project, aiming to improve monitoring, prevent and remove macro marine litter
- PANACeA Project aiming to improve management of protected areas in the Mediterranean

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- Together with our Geographical Commissions we are involved in:
 - MEDSEALITTER Project aimed at developing specific marine litter monitoring protocols
 - CO-EVOLVE Project promoting the co-evolution of human activities and natural system for the development of sustainable coastal and maritime tourism

The Bologna Charter Initiative and the CO-EVOLVE Project were presented at the BSEC-CPMR Workshop on Project Promotion, in March 2018, as sources of inspiration for the Black Sea region.

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BOLOGNA CHARTER.eu

European regions Charter for the promotion of a common framework for strategic actions aimed at the protection and sustainable development of the Mediterranean coastal area



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CO-EVOLVE

Thank you for your attention!

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