



## **INTER-CONNECT**

## Intermodality Promotion and Rail Renaissance in Adriatic - Ionian Region



## VIRTUAL FINAL CONFERENCE

## 10 December 2020 | 9:30 -13:00

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### Introductory Note:

How to tackle transportation negative effects and improve environmental performance in the Adrion Region?

Lagging behind Central & Northern Europe in terms of growth and economic development, ADRION countries should stimulate the take up of innovative strategies and smart solutions to reach sustainability goals. Improving the Region's accessibility as indicated in the EUSAIR strategy can be a decisive step towards this objective.

In this light, Inter-Connect has built on the knowledge from previous projects and sought new solutions tailored on the region's specificities to promote intermodal transport and guide stakeholders on how to turn connectivity plans into reality. Combined sea-rail use connections and increased investment on intermodal services for passenger's transport are at the core of this strategy to counter- balance the competition of the road sector and revitalize the region.

This final virtual event is not only an occasion to present the fruits of three years of cooperation in the framework of the Inter-Connect project but also an opportunity to further exchange and discuss about ways to improve the interconnectivity of the Adriatic - Ionian region.

### **EVENT PROGRAMME**

9:15 - 9.30 Connection of participants to the online meeting

### 9:30 - 10.00 Welcome and Opening speech

**Roberto ANTONIONE,** Central European Initiative - Executive Secretariat - Secretary General

Ioannis LOLOS, Mayor of Igoumenitsa

Barbara DI PIAZZA, Interreg ADRION Programme, Head of the Joint Secretariat

Dejan LASICA, Transport Community Treaty Permanent Secretariat

# 10.00 - 10.30 Improving Intermodality and rail use in the Adriatic region

*Keynote speech*: Improving Region's accessibility through intermodal connections at the core of the EUSAIR Strategy **Pierluigi COPPOLA**, EUSAIR Pillar 2 "Connecting the region" - Coordinator

The Inter-Connect Project Pantelis KARAPIPERIS, Municipality of Igoumenitsa









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### 10.30 - 11.15 Main outcomes and lessons learned: strategies to face our future

Setting the scene for intermodality enhancement and rail reform in ADRION (Research and Analysis on users' needs and best practices) Klemen GOSTIC, Regional Development Agency of the Ljubljana Urban Region

Cases evaluation towards better interconnection of ADRION region (Pilot activities and Action Plan) Giuseppe LUPPINO, Institute for Transport and Logistic Foundation

Intermodal Passenger Transport Strategy (Roadmap) Glikeria MYROVALI, Centre for Research and Technology Hellas (CERTH)

Looking at INTER-CONNECT results at local level: the case studies in the Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia Massimiliano ANGELOTTI, Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia, Department for infrastructures and territory

Presentation of the MENTIMETER tool & launching the survey

### 11:15 - 11:30 Break

### 11:30 - 12:50 Roundtable discussion "Improving passenger transport Intermodality in the Adriatic Ionian region"

Joining forces for connected, sustainable and innovative mobility amidst the covid-19 crisis to strengthen European economy and competitiveness

Round Table discussion moderated by Maria Morfoulaki, CERTH (coordinator of ADRION cluster "Urban and Interurban Low Carbon Intermodal Mobility for Passengers")

Lucia CALLIARI, Interreg ADRION Programme Introduction about the ADRION cluster process

Pantelis KARAPIPERIS, Municipality of Igoumenitsa (Inter-connect) Alessandro CAROLLO, Ragusa Free Municipal Consortium (ENERMOB) Hrvoje SPREMIĆ, Dubrovnik Airport (INTERPASS) Tina MATEKOVIC, Regional Development Centre Koper (SMILE)

### 12:50 - 13:00 The way forward

Comments on the results collected during the Q&A launched with Mentimeter **Paolo DILENO**, Central European Initiative - Executive Secretariat

### 13:00 Virtual Cheers

Pantelis KARAPIPERIS, Municipality of Igoumenitsa



