

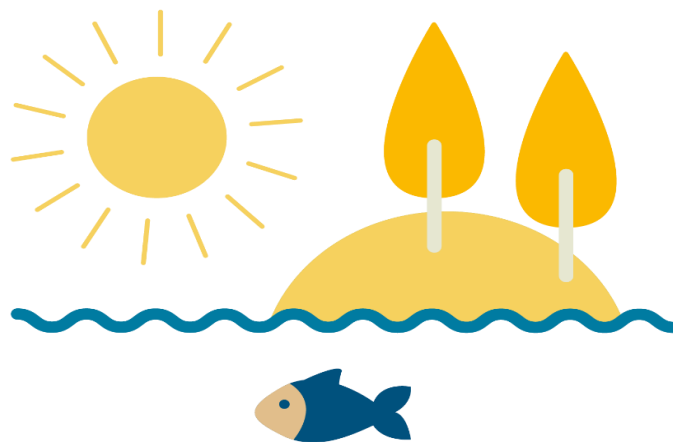
# INFO SESSION

## “Live data exchange via INDEX

## Potentials for synergies in the Mediterranean”



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### About the Med Lab Group

The Med Lab Group is a multilevel platform of all Interreg programmes in the entire Mediterranean to discuss jointly and in practical terms WHY, WHAT, WHO, HOW to work in **synergies**, and to explore the needs and **inter-programme coordination** solutions.

Within the new programming period the renowned calls for a more integrated approach to sectoral and/or territorial policy implementation are being raised. In the meanwhile, the Commission encouraged through the Orientation Papers a stronger cooperation between programmes operating within the same area encompassing transnational (TN) and cross-border cooperation (CBC), including Interreg NEXT. There is no doubt that working together, promoting common objectives, and reinforcing synergies between programmes leads to a higher EU added value, a stronger impact in the area, a better allocation of public resources and improves the capacities of the programme authorities and beneficiaries. In this spirit and within this goal the Investment for Growth and Jobs programmes are encouraged to use cooperation more actively.

Interreg programmes operate in a specific territory/geographical area, thus, give response to territorial challenges. Based on this reality, improving synergies and inter-coordination of the operations implemented by the most appropriate geographical scale can increase its efficiency when giving response to territorial challenges. For the past two years Interact and TESIM have been facilitating this process in the Mediterranean region focusing on the 2021-2027 programming.

**Now when new calls are being launched the attention of the network has turned to practical discussions on how to build synergies during the implementation phase. Knowing more about what project applications their neighbour programmes have received and are funding, and which partners are involved can be very useful to work on synergies but not only. Inspired by programme joint work on synergies and complementarities, Interact has developed a new programme management tool INDEX: Effective cooperation through live data exchange, aiming to support exchange across programmes in an easier and more efficient way.**

### Objectives

- Inform Interreg programmes in the Mediterranean about the capacities of INDEX for working in synergies and more.
- Explore the interest of programmes in developing a INDEX pilot in the Mediterranean.
- Discuss if data sharing across programmes could be useful within the context of the Sustainable Tourism Mechanism pilot, which currently has six programmes on board.



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### Target group

Heads of MA and JS of the 17 Interreg Programmes of the Mediterranean.

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| 1.  | TN EuroMed                 | 11. | CBC Greece Bulgaria                        |
| 2.  | TN IPA Adria               | 12. | CBC IPA Croatia Bosnia Montenegro          |
| 3.  | TN Sudoe                   | 13. | CBC IPA South Adriatic                     |
| 4.  | CBC Italy France Maritime, | 14. | CBC IPA Greece Republic of North Macedonia |
| 5.  | CBC Italy Malta            | 15. | CBC IPA Greece Albania                     |
| 6.  | CBC Italy Croatia          | 16. | TN NEXT MED                                |
| 7.  | CBC Italy Slovenia         | 17. | CBC NEXT Italy Tunisia.                    |
| 8.  | CBC Italy Greece           |     |  |
| 9.  | CBC Spain France Andorra   |     |  |
| 10. | CBC Greece Cyprus          |     |  |

\* National authorities and DG Regio colleagues operating in close cooperation with programmes or other initiatives will be welcomed as observers.

### Agenda

**09.30 – 09.40** Introduction. INDEX for the Mediterranean. *Interact and TESIM*

**09.40 – 10.00** INDEX data sharing and visualisation tool: How does it work?  
*Ilze Ciganska. Interact*

*Interreg programmes have been working to cooperate and coordinate activities throughout Europe. The development of keep.eu, and the ability to see what other programmes are doing in your area, was the first important step for Interreg. With INDEX, we take the next step.*

*Index is a tool to enable data sharing between multiple programmes already from the application stage. INDEX enables the cooperating programmes to see what is in programme application portfolio, what is being funded, and where. This enables programmes to ask better questions and to see what else is happening in an area. The aim of this session is to demonstrate the possibilities offered by open data sharing.*

**10.00 – 10.45** Questions, clarifications, and discussion about interest in joining the pilot, possible user cases  
*Interact and TESIM*

**10.45 \_ 11.00** Conclusions and Next Steps.  
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