

EUSAIR STRATEGIC PROJECT

“Support to Development and Implementation of Strategic Implementation Formats – SP4EUSAIR”



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PROJECT 3

SUPPORT TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION FORMATS – SP4EUSAIR



OVERALL OBJECTIVE

facilitation and enhancement of strategic project development to support the cooperation and governance of the Adriatic and Ionian region and EUSAIR implementation

LEAD PARTNER

Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds of the Republic of Croatia

PROJECT PARTNER

Ministry of European Integration of the Republic of Serbia

DURATION

4 years, 2024-2027

TOTAL BUDGET

2,08million EUR

EU FUNDS

1,77 million EUR

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PROJECT 3

Implementation strategy



function

Support to development and implementation of strategic implementation formats



how

Development of a coherent organizational and methodological framework for the selection of implementation formats



result

Developed project proposals for each selected implementation format and capitalization for the post 2027 period

MAIN OBJECTIVES AND KEY DELIVERABLES

What we want to create?

WP1

DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION FORMATS

SO1: Providing a quality and efficient organizational and methodological framework for the selection of relevant key strategic ideas based on existing EUSAIR flagships and development of the framework for the implementation formats.

- Report on existing flagships and developed implementation formats
- Knowledge based report on established key strategic ideas
- Manual – criteria for implementation formats
- Pipeline of selected implementation formats



WP2

SUPPORT TO IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION FORMATS

SO2: Facilitating the preparation of project proposals for each strategic implementation format accompanied by facilitation of the mapping process

- Handbook for the preparation of project proposals
- Report on identified funding sources for each implementation format
- Developed project proposal for each implementation format



WP3

CAPITALIZATION AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

SO3: Enhancing the capitalization and performance assessment of project proposals' development process

- Methodology for labelling
- Labelled project proposals
- Strategic guidelines for the key priorities in the post-2027 period
- Capitalization event
- Memorandum of Understanding



COORDINATION WITH OTHER TWO GOVERNANCE SUPPORT PROJECTS

OVERVIEW OF SP4EUSAIR IMPLEMENTATION

WP1 – DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION FORMATS

MAIN ACTIVITIES OF WP1:

- A 1.1 Report on existing flagships and developed implementation formats
- A 1.2 Collecting key strategic ideas from flagships and other relevant sources at regional, national, transnational and macro-regional levels
- A 1.3 Advancement of key strategic ideas and development of the framework for the implementation formats
- A 1.4 Coordination between project partners and Joint coordination mechanism within the EUSAIR governance support projects
- A 1.5 Knowledge exchange and learning





WP1

OVERVIEW OF SP4EUSAIR IMPLEMENTATION

A1.1 REPORT ON EXISTING IMPLEMENTATION FORMATS

- Drafted: during July–October 2024
- **The goal:** to determine **the status of individual implementation formats** (regarding their maturity level and readiness for implementation)
- **Methodology:** identification of the main challenges in the EUSAIR region in relation to **the flagships' implementation process and project development**
- Online in-depth interviews with Pillar Coordinators conducted during summer 2024 – to collect qualitative data and enable a deeper understanding of the work done.

The Report has identified for each Pillar the following:

- ✓ Implementation formats development path,
 - ✓ Current state and developed implementation formats,
 - ✓ Specific needs of the pillars,
 - ✓ Summarized list of implementation formats by pillars (Annex 1)
- The Report has been presented and **formally approved on the GB meeting** (10th October 2024).



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A1.2 COLLECTING KEY STRATEGIC IDEAS FROM FLAGSHIPS AND OTHER RELEVANT SOURCES

- **Capacity building workshops with TSGs** in late 2024 and early 2025
- Methodology for the workshops is currently being drafted – the workshops will be **tailor-made and designed for each TSG individually based on their needs** identified in the Report and their inputs for further development of the current IFs
- The goal of the workshops – to enable conditions for identifying key strategic ideas and sources of financing for future strategic implementation formats.
- **Thematic steering group working reports** on key strategic ideas (based on the outcomes of the workshops) – 1Q 2025
- The Reports should highlight specific key strategic ideas in line with flagships and other EU policies.
- **Knowledge based report on established key strategic ideas** – evidence-based development of future strategic implementation formats – 2Q 2025

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OTHER IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES DONE SO FAR

- **Subsidy Contract** signed on 9th April
- **Partnership Agreement** signed on 17th June
- The public procurement process for the expert support services for the strategic projects development successfully finalized – contract signed on 9th May 2024
- **Regular meetings of the EUSAIR Governance Point (EGP)** – platform which represents a structure of cooperation of three EUSAIR governance support projects (as part of the activity A1.4)
- Participation in the **Cross-MRS working group on embedding** managed by Interact (as part of the activity 1.5)
- Participation in the **EU Macro-regional and Sea-basin Strategies Days 2024** on 12th and 13th June in Brussels and established connections with representatives of other MRS (as part of the activity 1.5)

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KEY ELEMENTS OF REPORTING

- LP and PP have **timely submitted Partner Reports 1 and 2** (by 10th September 2024)
- The National controller has performed control checks and **issued certificates for both reports of the LP**, the certificates for the PP are still pending

Financial aspects and spending:

- LP total budget – 1.227.240,00 EUR
 - LP Partner Report 1 – 1.336,00 EUR submitted and certified (0,11%)
 - LP Partner Report 2 – 53.198,94 EUR submitted and certified (4,33%)
 - LP total – 54.534,94 EUR (4,44%)
- PP total budget – 852.760,00 EUR
 - PP Partner Report 1 – no submitted amount
 - PP Partner Report 2 – 22.252,77 EUR submitted (2,61%)

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ORGANISED EVENTS

JOINT KICK-OFF CONFERENCE OF THE EUSAIR GOVERNANCE SUPPORT PROJECTS (Zagreb, 21st February 2024)

- Organized by LP of SP4EUSAIR in cooperation with other two LPs – it **has officially marked the inception of the implementation of three EUSAIR projects** – Facility point, StEP and SP4EUSAIR.
- It gathered stakeholders from the Adriatic and Ionian Region – representing the relevant political and technical levels to enhance the efficient implementation of the EGP projects by emphasizing the lessons learned and disclosing the new perspective for the future of EUSAIR.
- Represents a **contribution to the output O1.2 Communication event jointly organised** – one of the two Communication events that are envisaged to be delivered during the implementation of the SP4EUSAIR project.

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ORGANISED EVENTS

WORKSHOP "FOSTERING COLLABORATION FOR EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT OF IMPLEMENTATION FORMATS" (Šibenik, 16th May 2024)

- Organized during the 9th EUSAIR FORUM
- It served as **a platform for facilitating communication, dialogue and interaction with respective Pillar Coordinators and TSG members** within the framework of the SP4EUSAIR project.
- The purpose – **to strengthen cooperation, exchange ideas, and gather valuable feedback** from PC and TSGs and to enhance the project development process.
- The inception of the implementation of A1.1 and a quality base for all other project activities that will follow.
- Contribution to the output **O1.1 Participations in joint actions for the development of strategic implementation formats**

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