



2ND FORUM OF THE EU STRATEGY FOR THE ADRIATIC AND IONIAN REGION

IOANNINA, GREECE 11-12 MAY 2017

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Objective(s)

The general objective is twofold:

- Promote **sustainable economic and social prosperity** in the Region through growth and job creation
- Foster **integration** of participating Western Balkan (potential) candidate countries in the EU

Thematic scope

limited number of specific objectives

Pillar 1



Pillar 2



Pillar 3



Pillar 4

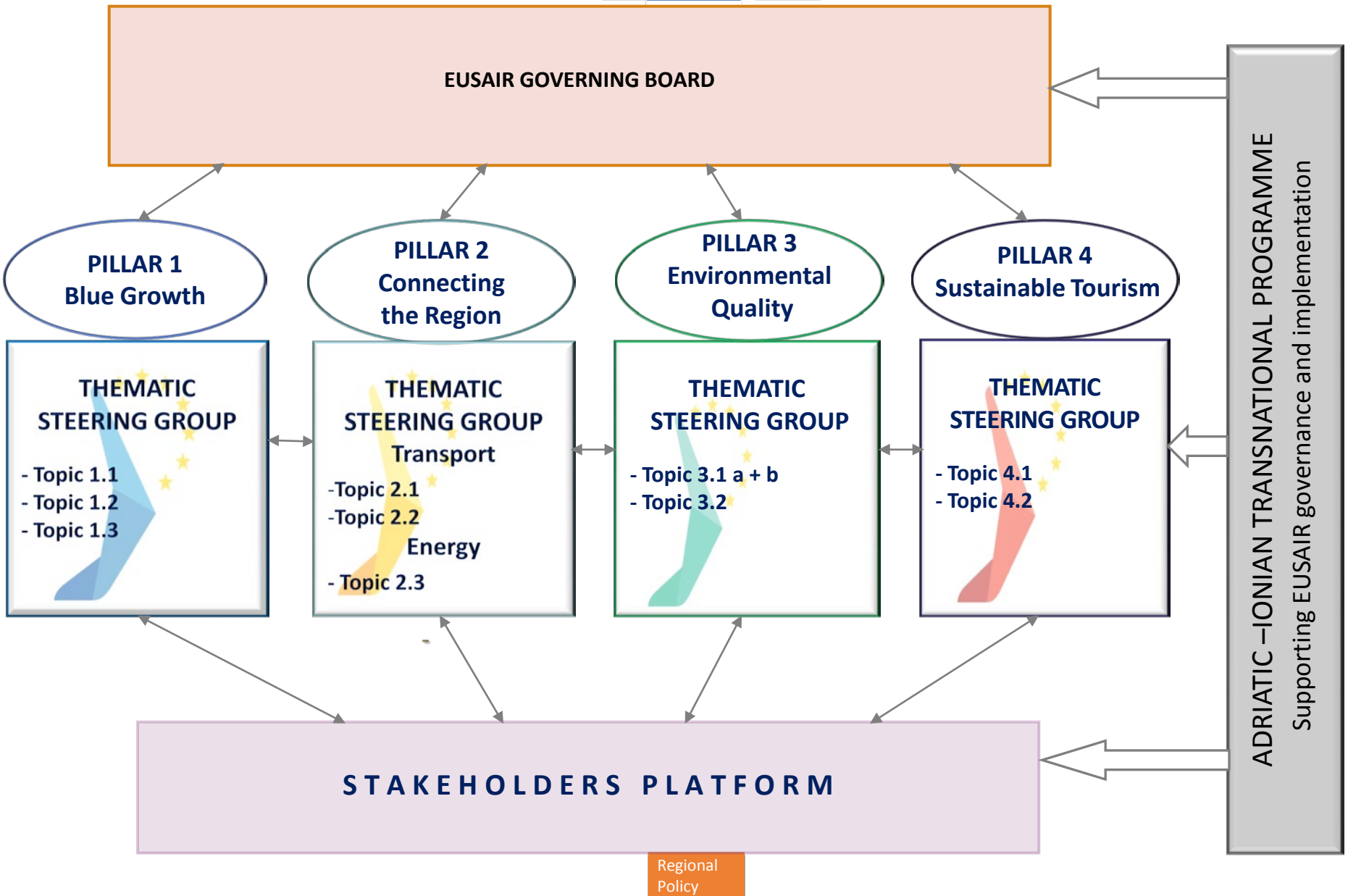


Cross-cutting aspects

Capacity building - including communication, Research and Innovation and SME development

Horizontal principles

Climate change mitigation and adaptation & disaster risk management



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- Under the Greek Presidency of EUSAIR
- COM and GR co-organisers
- Region of Epirus hosted the event
- Overarching theme: "Blue Growth" and its interrelations with the 3 other pillars
- Scope:
 - To take stock of the progress and achievements since the 1st Forum held in Dubrovnik in May 2016 and to define the way ahead
 - Political guidance (Ministers of F.A. and EU Funds attending)
 - Networking opportunities

11 May: EUSAIR Ministerial meeting

(Ministries of F.A and EU Funds of the 8 countries)

Ioannina Declaration adopted

- Re-affirmed **political commitment**
- Engagement to further strengthen **administrative capacity**
- Pledge to further **align ESIF and IPA programmes** with the Strategy objectives
- Decision to set up a "collaborative platform" where countries can better coordinate their response to the **refugee and migration challenges**

11 May: 2 side events to the Forum

B2B

- Organised by **Eterprise Europe Network-GR**
- **>240** participants (Chambers of Commerce, SMEs, universities, research institutes, ...)
- **>350** meetings booked
- **Aim:** networking, finding suitable partners for new projects, fostering the development of links, boosting information and cooperation and exploring new, mutually profitable business opportunities

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Monitoring and Evaluation workshop

- Organised by GR EUSAIR NCs, in coop. with COM
- **115 participants** (COM, EUSAIR and other MRS key implementers, ESIF and IPA programme authorities, ESPON, academia, consultants)
- **Aim:** discussing the basic elements (methodological, thematic, institutional) for an effective monitoring and evaluation mechanism for the EUSAIR

11 May: Forum

Institutional/Political sessions

- **Key note addresses** by GR Ministers of F.A., Economy and Development, Maritime Affairs
- **Panel discussion** with Ministers (or their representatives from 8 countries) + COM
- **Plenary Session I** - "EUSAIR in progress – the voice of the stakeholders": other institutions and stakeholders participation (CoR, EP, AII and 3 FORA, CPMR, Project promoters, etc);

12 May: Forum

Technical sessions

- Plenary session II (panel sessions)
 - "Blue Growth" (Pillar 1)
 - "Blue Growth and environment" (Pillar 3)
 - "Blue Growth and connectivity" (Pillar 2)
 - "Blue Growth and tourism" (Pillar 4)
- Closing Session:
 - Concluding remarks from COM and GR organisers
 - Chairmanship handing over from GR to IT

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Latest news

04 April 2017

Registration for the 2nd EUSAIR Forum has started

28 March 2017

B2B registration within the 2nd EUSAIR Forum is now OPEN

Highlights

INTERACT report on the added value of macro-regional strategies from the perspective of projects & programmes

CALLS: Nautical routes for Europe - call for proposals - EASME

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