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## 1. Introduction

This document describes the series of eight Webinars named “Thursdays CREATivE Talks” which were held in a monthly rhythm between November 2022 and June 2023. Each of these webinars focused on one key argument which has been identified as important for local and regional technicians and policy makers creating capacities for climate change adaptation.

All video products have been uploaded to the CREATE video channel on the YouTube platform @createclimateresponses and are linked on the CREATE web page.

To ensure long-term visibility, the videos have been furthermore uploaded to the ADRIADAPT.EU platform.

## 0. CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: WHAT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES?

## Thursday CREATivETalks#1

Date: Nov 10, 2022

### 0.1. Introduction



The webinar entitled "Possibilities of financing adaptation to climate change", which was held on November 10, 2022, has launched the "Thursday CREATivE Talks" webinar series, which is organized as part of the Interreg project - Climate RESponses for the AdriaTic rEgion (CREATE).

In the morning session (Croatian), Damir Tomasović from the Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds, Ana Maria Boromisa from the Institute for Development and International Relations, and Ivana

Jonke from the Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund have introduced new funding opportunities from EU funds, national, regional and local resources to numerous participants from cities, municipalities, counties, development agencies and associations.

Since climate change is the main 'driver' of future EU policy, it was emphasized that most financial resources for adaptation to climate change will be available within the European Structural and Investment Funds 2021-2027 programme - Competitiveness and Cohesion OP, as well as that climate-proof analysis will be mandatory for all infrastructure projects exceeding a 5-year implementation period.

In the afternoon session (Italian) Ms Arianna Cecchi from ART-ER and Mr Giovanni Fini from the Union of Municipalities of the Savio Valley discussed funding opportunities for Italian local climate adaptation, focussing, further to structural funds, also on EU programmes like LIFE and specific programmes targeting urban adaptation, and illustrated how local authorities can creatively employ such funding. It was stressed that to be able to use funding well it is necessary to have a general strategy for the city, and to be able to provide information for a feasibility study. pointing to the importance of monitoring implementation of adaptation action.

### 0.2. Speakers:

#### 0.2.1. Croatian Webinar

**Ivan Sekovski**, Centar za regionalne aktivnosti Programa prioritetnih akcija (PAP/RAC)

**Damir Tomasović**, Ministarstvo regionalnog razvoja i fondova Europske Unije

**Ana-Maria Boromisa**, Institut za razvoj i međunarodne odnose

**Ivana Jonke**, Fond za zaštitu okoliša i energetske učinkovitost

## 0.2.2. (Italian Webinar)

**Margaretha Breil**, Centro Euro-Mediterraneo sui Cambiamenti Climatici (CMCC)  
**Arianna Cecchi**, ART-ER Attrattività Ricerca Territorio della Regione Emilia Romagna  
**Giovanni Fini**, Unione dei comuni della Valle del Savio.

## 0.3. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR: <https://youtu.be/Uhv8I3M3Lpg>

VIDEO IT: <https://youtu.be/SvsA3VUgy68?t=71>

## 0.4. Participants

*Table 1 Participants Webinar 1<sup>1</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	Croatian	Italian
1	General public	56	18
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	10	7
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	2	11
4	NGOs	4	7
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	0	7
6	Business companies	1	4
0	CREATE Staff	9	4
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>43</b>

<sup>1</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting

## 1. THE IMPORTANCE OF ADAPTATION PLANNING FOR COASTAL AREAS IN RELATION TO THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE



## Thursday CREATivETalks#2

Dec 01, 2022 h.10.00

### 1.1. Introduction



The webinar aimed at cities, municipalities, counties, development agencies, maritime and coastal economic operators, academic and civil society organizations, and the media.

Across coastal environments, the effects of climate change have already become reality. Whether it is floods from the sea or flash floods, forest fires, droughts or heat waves, the

inhabitants of coastal areas and the blue economy are already endangered by the climate crisis. The Webinar aimed at introducing local authorities and agencies supporting them to future climate impacts on coastal areas and on strategies for addressing this challenge.

### 1.2. Agenda

#### INTRODUCTION

- 10:00 – 10:05 Introducing Thursday CREATivE Talks
- 10:05 – 10:20 Five lessons for a successful Coastal Plan
- 10:20 – 10:35 Key steps for Coastal Plan preparation (project AdriaAdapt)

#### SHARING GOOD COASTAL PLANNING PRACTICE

- 10:35- 10:40 City of Kaštela and the Jadro river basin (Croatia) – COASTGAP, Co-Evolve and CHANGE WE CARE projects
- 10:40- 10:45 Emilia-Romagna region (Italy)
- 10:45- 10:50 Split-Dalmatia County (Croatia)
- 10:50 – 11:00 Q&A

### 1.3. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR <https://youtu.be/TiHMPT1q2C8>

VIDEO IT <https://youtu.be/fprSDSWMahU>

VIDEO EN <https://youtu.be/7KD33ou2b0o>

#### 1.4. Participants:

*Table 2 Participants Webinar 2<sup>2</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	
1	General public	5
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	51
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	38
4	NGOs	11
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	42
6	Business companies	21
0	CREATE Staff	17
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>185</b>

## 2. THE IMPORTANCE OF NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS (NBS) IN COASTAL ADAPTATION PLANNING IN RELATION TO THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

<sup>2</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting

## Thursday CREATivETalks#3

Jan 12, 2023 h.11.00 CET

### 2.1. Introduction

NbS can be considered as an ‘umbrella concept’ encompassing a range of established nature based approaches which contribute to climate change resilience and disaster risk reduction. These solutions can help reduce social and environmental vulnerabilities and bring multiple co-benefits such as



mitigating climate change, improving human health and well-being, providing jobs and creating new business opportunities. The Webinar aimed at providing insights on how to optimise infrastructure and safeguard a stable and biodiverse future by using NbS.

### 2.2. Agenda

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|---------------|---|
| 11:00 – 11:05 | Introducing Thursday CREATivE Talks, Giacomo Cazzola, IUAV University of Venice   |
| 11:05 – 11:10 | Presenting the CREATE cluster project and introducing the importance of the NbS topic, Margaretha Breil, CMCC                                       |
| 11:10 – 11:20 | Piloting experiences of rain gardens in Zadar urban areas, Andrea Vitlov Kurtin, Regional Development Agency of Zadar County (ZADRA Nova – Croatia) |
| 11:20- 11:35  | Adapting to coastal and climate risk along the Emilia-Romagna coast, Daniele Capitani, Municipality of Cervia and Ravenna (Italy)                   |
| 11:35- 11:45  | Open-air laboratories for validating Nature-based solutions, the OPERANDUM experience, Prof. Silvana Di Sabatino, University of Bologna (Italy)     |
| 11:45- 11:50  | Q & A   |

## 2.1. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR <https://youtu.be/ZrGfR-HdRol>

VIDEO IT <https://youtu.be/FOpb7lscZ0M>

VIDEO EN <https://youtu.be/UMyILBL21HY>

## 2.2. Participants:

*Table 3 Participants Webinar 3<sup>3</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	
1	General public	7
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	98
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	16
4	NGOs	20
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	130
6	Business companies	42
0	CREATE Staff	16
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>329</b>

## 3. MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

<sup>3</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting

## Thursday CREATivETalks#4

Feb 09, 2023 h.11.00

### 3.1. Introduction



As an integrated process, Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) aims to cope with the increasing demand for marine space and resources from traditional (e.g., maritime transport, tourism, fisheries) and emerging sectors (e.g., sustainable aquaculture, offshore renewable energy, blue bio-economy), while preserving marine ecosystems and their services. MSP implies the reduction and mitigation of impacts on the environment, resolution of conflicts and exploitation of synergies among different sectors. Being a long-term and far-reaching process, MSP should take climate change

into consideration in several ways – by assessing direct and indirect impacts of climate change on the environment and the maritime sectors, providing space for offshore renewable energy production, advancing other mitigation measures (including “blue carbon” initiatives), supporting climate-proofing of maritime sectors and the implementation of coastal and marine adaptation measures.

The webinar is aimed at cities and municipalities, counties, regions, marine and maritime authorities, maritime and coastal economic operators, academia and civil society organisations.

### 3.2. Agenda

#### INTRODUCTION

11:00 – 11:05 Introducing CREATE cluster project, Margaretha Breil, CMCC

#### EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND KNOW-HOW

11:05 – 11:20 Maritime Spatial Planning – Climate Change nexus, Catarina Frazao Santos, University of Lisbon

11:20 – 11:35 Integrating climate change in MSP – ITALY, Emiliano Ramieri, National Research Council – Institute of Marine Science

11:35 – 11:50 Integrating climate change in MSP – CROATIA, Vesna Marohnić Kuzmanović, spatial planner and architect

11:50 – 12:00 Q & A



### 3.1. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR <https://youtu.be/-z7kRI17bag>

VIDEO IT [https://youtu.be/dZDKYq2x\\_00](https://youtu.be/dZDKYq2x_00)

VIDEO EN <https://youtu.be/n7XlrpiQOeo>

### 3.2. Participants:

*Table 4 Participants Webinar 4<sup>4</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	
1	General public	17
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	55
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	16
4	NGOs	13
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	84
6	Business companies	15
0	CREATE Staff	15
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>215</b>

## 4. MONITORING IN THE ADRIATIC SEA: ASSESSING ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES TO INSPIRE ADAPTATION ACTIONS

<sup>4</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting

## Thursday CREATivETalks#5

Mar 09, 2023 h.11.00 am

### 4.1. Introduction



The Adriatic Sea is a unique basin for exploring the potential of the Blue Economy and is an important centre for marine and maritime industries. The assessment of the health and productivity of the Adriatic basin is not only based on its economic value, but also on its environmental parameters that have undergone significant changes as a result of multiple and intense human activities and the impacts of climate change.

The CREATE webinar #5 will focus on state-of-the-art monitoring of physical, hydrological and biological parameters with the aim of examining potential changes that will occur on the Adriatic coast in the coming decades. The webinar is aimed at cities and municipalities, regions, academic and research institutions, maritime and marine authorities, coastal and maritime operators, citizens and social organisations.

### 4.2. Agenda

- 11:00 – 11:05 Introduction, Dr Davide Bonaldo - Institute of Marine Sciences, National Research Council of Italy (CNR-ISMAR)
- 11:05 – 11:15 Weather measurements in Croatia, Dr Dubravka Rasol - (Croatian Meteorological and Hydrological Service – DHMZ)
- 11:15 – 11:25 Monitoring the state of the marine environment in Croatia, Dr Slavica Matijević - Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries, Spalato – IZOR
- 11:25 – 11:35 | Underwater noise monitoring in the Adriatic Sea, Dr Fantina Madricardo - Institute of Marine Sciences, National Research Council of Italy (CNR-ISMAR)
- 11:35 – 11:45 | Ecological observatories - long-term ecological research and monitoring in the Adriatic Sea, Dr Alessandra Pugnetti - Institute of Marine Sciences, National Research Council of Italy (CNR-ISMAR)
- 11:45 – 12:00 | Q&A

#### 4.1. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR <https://youtu.be/anKqST9VWzk>

VIDEO IT <https://youtu.be/nt9kYFLjQs>

#### 4.1. Participants:

*Table 5 Participants Webinar 5<sup>5</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	
1	General public	1
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	13
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	11
4	NGOs	6
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	55
6	Business companies	5
0	CREATE Staff	15
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>91</b>

## 5. HOW TO INTEGRATE ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION INTO LOCAL CLIMATE STRATEGIES: EXPERIENCES AND METHODOLOGIES

<sup>5</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting



## Thursday CREATivETalks#6

Apr 13, 2023 h.11.00 CEST

### 5.1. Introduction



In this webinar the importance of preparing the SECAP document to implement climate change mitigation and adaptation measures has been discussed.

The webinar is aimed at cities and municipalities, companies and individual experts involved in the creation and implementation of adaptation and mitigation measures related to climate change, and all those interested in SECAP (Action Plan for Sustainable Energy Development and Adaptation to Climate

Change) issues.

The webinar aimed at introducing the new tools for energy planning, the risks to our society caused by climate change and the experiences in implementing action plans from our speakers from both sides of the Adriatic. It focused on methodologies for preparing the SECAP document and experiences in its implementation. Join us to discover how interdisciplinary research can help us address the challenges posed by climate change!

### 5.2. Agenda

11:00 - 11:05 | Introduction, Martin Bućan (SDŽ)

11:05 - 11:15 | Energy planning and use of the LEAP tool, Tomislav Čop, EIHP

11:15 - 11:25 | Challenges and lessons learned when creating a vulnerability and risk analysis, Miljenka Kuhara, DOOR

11:25 - 11:35 | Challenges related to the creation and implementation of the SECAP document in Croatia, Dr. sc. Nikola Matak SDEWES

11:35 - 11:45 | Lessons learned and experiences of SECAP implementation, Ester Zazzero, Municipality of Pescara

11:45 - 12:00 | Questions and Answers

### 5.1. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR <https://youtu.be/1ey0lvkaAqA>

VIDEO IT <https://youtu.be/jtYPeehMU8k>

### 5.1. Participants:

*Table 6 Participants Webinar 6<sup>6</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	
1	General public	15
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	31
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	12
4	NGOs	9
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	40
6	Business companies	19
0	CREATE Staff	11
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>126</b>

## 6. CLIMATE AND COMMUNICATION: TOOLS AND KNOWLEDGE TO TELL THE STORY OF CHANGE.

<sup>6</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting

## Thursday CREATivETalks#7

May 11, 2023 h.11.00 am CEST

### 6.1. Introduction



In this webinar the importance of effective climate change communication has been discussed, providing insights on how climate change is perceived by the public and presenting examples for results and best practices emerging from research projects, with a focus on the Adriatic Sea area. The webinar aimed at researchers, representatives of cities and municipalities, individual citizens and experts involved in the creation and implementation of adaptation and mitigation measures in response to climate change, in order to foster an exchange of knowledge and tools for the

benefit of the entire community.

During this webinar, different aspects on methods and tools for communicating climate change effectively have been addressed. On the one hand, the relationship between such a complex issue and public opinion will be considered, as well as the importance and relevance of effective communication both for the public and for those doing scientific research. Following this, some communication tools for "climate education" (climate literacy) has been presented, with a focus on adaptation in the Adriatic area: a multimedia narrative aimed at capturing the attention of the user with an alternation of visual, auditory and descriptive elements that stimulate curiosity, nourish knowledge and ultimately stimulate action to respond effectively to climate change. Finally, a third part had a more specific focus on the most effective ways of presenting scientific results by researchers, focusing on the key messages and practical applications of the proposed results.

### 6.2. Agenda

11:00 - 11:05	Introduction - Mauro Buonocore, CMCC
11:05 - 11:15	Climate opinion: climate change and its audience - Gio Pesce, communication strategist, ECF
11:15 - 11:25	New tools for communicating climate: the case of the Adriatic Sea - Selvaggia Santin, CMCC
11:25 - 11:35	Impact communication and effective presentations - Natalija Dunić, IOF

11:35 - 11:45 Why communicating is so important to tackle climate change - Daria Povh  
 Škugor, Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity Centre (PAP/RAC)  
 11:45 - 12:00 Questions and Answers

### 6.1. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR <https://youtu.be/eEpOzFIFcbo>

VIDEO IT <https://youtu.be/hAkRnu9idxc>

### 6.1. Participants:

*Table 7 Participants Webinar 7<sup>7</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	
1	General public	25
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	36
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	25
4	NGOs	24
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	75
6	Business companies	15
0	CREATE Staff	7
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>200</b>

## 7. SOLUTIONS FOR GOOD CLIMATE POLICY GOVERNANCE

<sup>7</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting

## Thursday CREATivETalks#8

Jun 28, 2023 h.10.00 CEST

### 7.1. Introduction



In this webinar that closed the series of the Thursday CREATivETalks, we have discussed about governance, one of the most complex issues for our societies in the challenge of climate change.

Governance is one of the most complex issues for our societies in the challenge of climate change. We have achieved enormous successes in science and technology, but there are still many steps to be taken in terms of building partnerships, establishing a general consensus on the hottest topics, keeping agreements made and turning strategies into reality. It is not easy to define what governance is: it consists of relationships between institutions, processes and customs that define how power is managed, how decisions on matters of public and private interest are made and how citizens and other actors participate in these decisions. More briefly, governance decides who has the power, who makes the decisions, how other actors can make their voices heard and how the effects of the choices made are evaluated; it is essential for the implementation of agreed plans and strategies, as it represents a partnership and is based on trust. It is also based on both tangible and intangible modes and processes of interaction necessary to make decisions and carry them out. At its core, it consists of Commissions and Councils created to facilitate the implementation of decisions taken.

To be successful, climate governance must be a shared process, requiring the cooperation of a broad social partnership.

Participants were invited to share their governance experiences.

### 7.2. Agenda

10:00 - 10:05	Introduction, Margaretha Breil, CMCC (Italy)
10:05 - 10:15	Introduction to the concept of governance, Daria Povh Škugor, PAP/RAC (Croatia)
10:15 - 10:30	Governance in the Emilia-Romagna Region, Roberto Montanari, Emilia-Romagna Region (Italy)
10:30 - 10:50	Examples presented by the audience
10:50- 11.00	QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
10:50 - 11:00	Further examples of governance and the conclusion of the CREATE project, Margaretha Breil, CMCC (Italy)

### 7.1. Links to registrations:

VIDEO HR <https://youtu.be/Xml-nnAliXw>

VIDEO IT <https://youtu.be/sY6LI7k-90A>

### 7.1. Participants:

*Table 8 Participants Webinar 8<sup>8</sup>*

	TARGET GROUPS	
1	General public	3
2	Local, regional and national public authorities and related entities	9
3	Regional and local development agencies, environmental agencies, regional associations	6
4	NGOs	4
5	Academia and other R&D institutions	17
6	Business companies	4
0	CREATE Staff	6
	<b>TOTAL (no staff)</b>	<b>43</b>

<sup>8</sup> Participants are accounted for according to the registration of the Video Conference Platform used, separately for each webinar, without checking double counting