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Towards the Final Phase of the Project

Dear Readers,

As the SUMMA project approaches its final implementation phase, partners continue working together on sustainable and integrated mobility solutions aimed at improving connections between coastal and hinterland areas across the Italy–Croatia Programme area.

During the previous months, project activities have focused on advancing pilot actions, strengthening cooperation among local and regional stakeholders, and supporting the development of multimodal transport solutions that contribute to reducing traffic congestion and improving passenger mobility, especially during the tourist season.

Through joint activities, analyses and pilot initiatives, SUMMA continues to promote smarter, more sustainable and better-connected mobility systems across the Adriatic region, with a particular focus on improving connections between ports, airports, railways and urban areas.

The project continues addressing common mobility challenges present across the Adriatic area, where increased tourist flows and pressure on existing transport infrastructure often create congestion during peak seasons. In this context, SUMMA promotes a more integrated and sustainable approach to mobility planning, encouraging cooperation between public authorities, transport providers and other relevant stakeholders.

Project partners are also continuing the implementation of pilot activities focused on sustainable public transport, cycling infrastructure, digital mobility tools and multimodal transport solutions adapted to local and regional needs.

In this edition of the newsletter, we provide a short overview of recent activities and highlight selected developments implemented within the project.

Enjoy reading!

*Thank you for being a part of the SUMMA Project community.
Your SUMMA Team*



Stakeholder involvement remains an important part of the SUMMA project approach. Through participatory processes and continuous cooperation between local and regional authorities, experts and other relevant actors, project partners are working on the development of sustainable and integrated mobility solutions adapted to local needs.

In this context, project partners continue organising meetings and consultations aimed at exchanging knowledge, identifying mobility challenges and discussing possible solutions for improving multimodal transport connections across the Programme area. Such activities contribute to strengthening cooperation between different sectors and support the long-term development of sustainable mobility policies and measures.



Within the SUMMA project, partners continuously monitor and support infrastructure and policy developments that contribute to improved connectivity between coastal and hinterland areas.

One recent example comes from the Split-Dalmatia County, where developments related to the Resnik-Divulje maritime passenger terminal represent an important step towards strengthening connections between air, maritime and land transport in the Split area.

Such initiatives are fully aligned with the objectives of the SUMMA project, which aims to improve multimodal mobility, reduce traffic congestion during the tourist season and strengthen connections between ports, airports, railways and urban areas.

The project continues promoting sustainable and integrated transport solutions that can improve passenger mobility while contributing to more environmentally friendly transport systems in the Adriatic region.



SUMMA IN BRIEF

- 8 PARTNERS FROM ITALY AND CROATIA
- SHARED GOAL: SUSTAINABLE MULTIMODAL MOBILITY
- SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY SOLUTIONS
- BETTER CONNECTIONS
- PILOT ACTIONS AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

Project partners across Italy and Croatia continue implementing pilot activities focused on sustainable mobility and improved multimodal transport connections.

Pilot activities developed within SUMMA include initiatives related to:

- sustainable public transport solutions,
- cycling infrastructure,
- digital mobility tools,
- multimodal passenger transport,
- and the improvement of local and regional transport connections.

The pilot actions aim to support more efficient, accessible and environmentally friendly mobility systems adapted to the needs of local communities and visitors. Through these activities, the project contributes to the development of practical solutions that can help reduce the pressure on road traffic, especially during the high tourist season.

SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY
INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS. CONNECTED FUTURE.

- LOWER EMISSIONS
- INCLUSIVE ACCESS
- SMART SOLUTIONS
- RESILIENT SYSTEMS
- BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE



SUMMA Workshop and Project Meeting Held in Labin

On 10 March 2026, IRENA – Istrian Regional Energy Agency Ltd. hosted the SUMMA workshop focused on sustainable mobility and multimodal transport solutions, organised within the framework of the project activities. The event gathered around 70 participants, including project partners, representatives of public authorities, experts and relevant stakeholders from Croatia and Italy.

During the workshop, participants had the opportunity to learn more about the ongoing SUMMA pilot activities and studies related to sustainable mobility development in the Adriatic area. Special attention was given to the presentation of studies and analyses developed within the project, including activities coordinated by IRENA related to improving sustainable and integrated transport solutions in the Labin area.

The workshop also included discussions with stakeholders on the challenges of seasonal traffic congestion, the importance of stronger connections between coastal and hinterland areas, and the need for better integration between ports, railways, airports and urban transport systems.

Following the conference activities, on 11 March 2026 project partners held a partnership meeting in the Great Council Hall of the City of Labin, where they discussed the progress of pilot actions, communication activities and the final implementation steps of the project. The meeting also provided an opportunity for partners to exchange experiences and coordinate upcoming activities related to the final phase of the SUMMA project.





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DESCRIPTION

SUMMA tackles critical issues of cross-border passengers' mobility and the connectivity between ports and hinterland, by improving urban mobility to avoid traffic congestions during the tourist season and by addressing underdeveloped multimodal connections between ports, airports, railways, and urban areas.



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2.089.331,24



TOTAL BUDGET
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PROJECT PARTNERS



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