

## PRIORITY AXIS 4 "MARITIME TRANSPORT"

**Investment priority 1b:** Developing and improving environmentally-friendly (including low noise) and low-carbon transport systems, including inland waterways and maritime transport, ports, multimodal links and airport infrastructure, in order to promote sustainable regional and local mobility

**Specific objective 1.1:** Improve the quality, safety and environmental sustainability of marine and coastal transport services and nodes by promoting multimodality in the Programme area

**Expected result:** To improve the quality, safety and environmental sustainability of marine and coastal transport services. In order to achieve this change, the programme will support actions developing new traffic modalities directed towards the use of vessels using compatible energy sources (such as methane), the adoption of ICT systems to perform embarking and disembarking of passengers in vessel traffic management and implementation of e-ticket (electronic ticketing) systems and electronic traffic management to ensure a more efficient development of traffic in the area. Efforts for enhancing the quality and the environmental sustainability of services and node will contribute to a reduction of the CO2 emissions for transport purposes.

**Result indicator 4.1:** Goods transported by maritime mode

### Types of actions:

- Support coordination/ harmonization/ monitoring of data and systems for enhancing multimodality;
- Piloting tools/ solutions for improving connectivity in the transport systems.

### Examples of Actions:

- Promotion of short sea shipping and maritime transport services through piloting CB routes (passengers, ferry connection between ports and their connections to hinterland);
- Enhancing coordination between regional airports of the area for exploiting synergies and complementarities and promote multimodality, in order to improve their environmental performance;
- Harmonization of administrative procedures and improvement of port quality management system for freight and passengers transport, ensuring connections with internal nodes and the logistic system;
- Green upgrading of the logistic system linked with maritime transport sector;
- Improving multimodal (rail, road, sea) transport systems through innovative solutions (ITS) including the promotion of pilot rail services in connection with ports. The investments in road infrastructure are not eligible under this specific objective;
- Promote mobility concepts for harmonizing the development of passenger services (i.e e-mobility, soft mobility, etc.);
- Support the creation of a common vessel traffic centre for monitoring the vessel traffic within the cooperation area aimed at safeguarding environment.

### Output indicators:

- 4.101 - Improved multimodal transport services;
- 4.102 - New links established;
- 4.103 -Harmonized services for passengers put in place.

### Target Groups:

- general public;
- local, regional and national public authorities;
- regional development agencies;
- enterprises, transport operators including operators of multimodal logistics hubs, infrastructure providers;
- transport associations;
- regional innovation agencies;
- NGOs;
- education and training organisations as well as universities and research institutes.