

# WESTMED AND EU COOPERATION

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... the Initiative is an innovative instrument of **cooperation** between western Mediterranean countries, regions and people. ...

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**WESTMED goals**

**Interreg**



**Interreg**   
MARITIMO-IT FR-MARITIME



7% BUDGET ALLOCATION AVAILABLE

**Interreg**   
Italia-Malta



70% BUDGET ALLOCATION AVAILABLE

Coopération transfrontalière  
**ITALIETUNISIE**



100% BUDGET ALLOCATION AVAILABLE

**ENI CBCMED**  
Cooperating across frontiers in the Mediterranean



55% BUDGET ALLOCATION AVAILABLE (45% IN JAN 2019)

**Interreg**   
Mediterranean



15% BUDGET ALLOCATION AVAILABLE

**Interreg**   
Sudoe



40% BUDGET ALLOCATION AVAILABLE

**Is it possible for partners outside the programmes area to participate?**

# 2014-2020

## Challenging for Interreg\*.



If the **operation** is implemented outside the cooperation programme area:

- a) the operations should not exceed 20 % of the ERDF at programme level
- b) it should benefit the programme area

For technical assistance, promotional activities and capacity-building, expenditure incurred outside the programme area will not apply the 20% rule!

\* Eligibility of operations in cooperation programmes depending on location (Article 20, ETC\_Interreg regulations)

Programme  
Authorities  
decisión!



# 2014-2020

## Challenging also for ENI\*.



If the project is implemented partially outside the cooperation programme area:

- a) the operations do not exceed 20 % of the EU contribution at programme level
- b) it benefits the programme area
- c) management, control and audit are fulfilled either by the programme authorities or through agreements concluded with authorities in the countries where the activity is implemented.

\* Eligibility of operations in cooperation programmes depending on location ( articles 39.2 and 45.4 of the ENI CBC IR)

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# 2021-2027

## Good news! No more limitations\*

Relevance for the programme defines the eligibility, not the location of activities.

\*proposed article 57, CPR  
(fingers crossed)



# Cooperation works

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