

## SEMINAR

### EUSAIR & INTERREG IPA Programmes: Opportunities for education institutions and local communities

14 July 2023, 14.00-16.00 hrs

Venue: Ministry of Education and Culture, San Marino

Online: [Zoom Link](#)

For San Marino, being a member of the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region – EUSAIR, is considered as an important preparatory step to identify the professional skills and investments necessary to meet the obligations of a future agreement with the EU. Membership is expected to enhance the coordination and dialogue between EUSAIR countries and help San Marino to mobilise national funding for projects at macro-regional level, in cooperation with its new partners.

Within the EUSAIR Strategy, the ADRION Programme has closed its first call, where San Marino is eligible along with the other EUSAIR countries.

Inclusion of youth in the EUSAIR governance and in its Pillars is high in the agenda of EUSAIR governing structures, and at the basis of the establishment process of the Youth Council in the upcoming Croatian Presidency by end of May 2024.

Social inclusion in education and skills development is taking center stage in 2023, with the European Year of Skills running the agenda for the entire 2023.

However, as emphasized through the [“Manifesto for Young People by Young People to Shape the European Cooperation Policy”](#) there is a need to further inform youth and local communities on the available opportunities and calls deriving from the different EU Cohesion instruments. While opportunities exist, young people are often not informed, or if they are informed, they lack the skills, capacities and networking to get involved.

This seminar aims to address precisely these challenges as part of a series of events organized by Cooperation and Development Institute (CDI) in partnership with the European Commission to promote the Youth Manifesto (YM) recommendations in the EUSAIR countries.

The seminar will bring together schools, universities, local communities, INTERREG programmes and EUSAIR representatives, with the objectives of: i) informing youth- focused potential beneficiaries on the EUSAIR strategy for the region & concrete involvement opportunities, ii) familiarizing youth & youth organizations, including schools & universities on the opportunities deriving from INTERREG IPA programmes, and iii) increasing awareness about the YM recommendations for a wider inclusion of youth in EU-funded programmes & calls for projects.

The seminar is organized in cooperation with the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region Strategy and the European Affairs Directorate of San Marino.

## DRAFT AGENDA

14:00 – 14:30	<b>Registration &amp; welcoming, media statements</b>
14.30 – 14.40	<b>Opening remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Andrea BELLUZZI, Minister of Education and Culture, University and Scientific Research, Youth Policies</li> <li>➤ Krisela HACKAJ, Executive Director Cooperation Development Institute</li> </ul>
14:40 – 16:00	<b>Panel discussion:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Elisabetta BUCCI, National Coordinator for San Marino in EUSAIR, Department of Foreign Affairs of San Marino</li> <li>➤ Lidija PANSEGRAU HADROVIĆ, Croatian Presidency EUSAIR/AII - <i>online</i></li> <li>➤ ADRION Programme/Managing Authority representative – <i>online (TBC)</i></li> <li>➤ Besiana NINKA, INTERACT - “Interreg IPA programmes: an opportunity for youth engagement” – <i>online</i></li> <li>➤ Maria Elena D’AMELIO, Coordinator of Research Centre for International Relations, University of San Marino</li> <li>➤ Maria Eleonora VAGLIO, Associazione YOUTH</li> </ul> <p>Q &amp; A</p>
16:00	<b>Event wrap up</b>

*The seminar is a hybrid event. Working language is English. Refreshments will be available during the event.*