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## PROJECT FACT SHEET

### JOINT approach to Blue circular Economy – for Adriatic and Ionian Region- JOINABLE



JOINABLE

#### Project Summary

The JOINABLE project represents a collective effort of nine partners from six countries (Italy, Croatia, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Albania, and Greece), aimed at enhancing the development of a circular blue economy that is based on plastic waste collected from aquatic environments. This project aims to examine the current situation regarding plastic waste, including the regulatory frameworks, in each participating country. It will involve educating trainers on the use of digital tools and spectrometers, developing a methodology for cleaning and monitoring plastic waste, and creating a system that transforms plastic waste into new products. Additionally, the project will share knowledge with local and regional authorities and feed databases like EMODnet. Ultimately, the goal is to develop a comprehensive strategy for managing plastic waste in the ADRION region by fostering the development of the blue circular economy. This strategy will address the specific challenges and opportunities within the region, aiming to reduce the environmental impact of plastic waste while promoting sustainable economic growth through innovative recycling and waste management practices.

#### Scope and objectives of the project

To establish and promote blue circular economy by addressing the challenge of marine and fresh waters litter. This includes development of comprehensive approaches, implementation of scalable solutions, demonstrations, increase of social awareness, fostering joint collaboration and innovation uptake, implementing innovative models and tools, promoting transnational network in the common Adriatic - Ionian area (Italy, Croatia, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Albania, Greece).

#### Results of the project

- Joint strategies and action plans taken up by organisations
- Organisations cooperating across borders after project completion
- Solutions taken up or up-scaled by organisations

#### Donor:

European Union, Interreg IPA Adriatic Program

#### Duration:

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#### Partners:

Municipality of Punat

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VLP (Venice Lagoon Plastic Free)

AMAP (Agency for Innovation in the Agri-food and Fisheries sectors)

University of Montenegro, Faculty of maritime studies Kotor

University of Information Sciences and Technology “St. Paul the Apostle” Ohrid

Municipality of Divjaka

ETMI (Environmental and Territorial Management Institute)

IED (Institute of Entrepreneurship Development)