

## FOSTERING PARTNERSHIPS ACROSS THE ADRIATIC SEA

For coastal sustainability in Albania and Italy

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The Coastal Area Management Programme (CAMP) in Otranto Strait seeks to reinforce sustainable development, integrated coastal zone management (ICZM) and marine spatial planning (MSP) across the South Adriatic to eliminate marine litter, prevent pollution on coast and sea and to strengthen biodiversity conservation in the project regions of Vlora (Albania) and Puglia (Italy).

## THE FIRST TRANSBOUNDARY PROJECT SINCE THE LAUNCH OF THE CAMP IN 1989



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The project is testing the CAMP methodology at a transboundary scale which includes marine areas within and beyond national jurisdiction, which affect both Albania and Italy regardless of different natural, juridical and socio-economic conditions.

The project is coordinated by PAP/RAC with the support of INFO/RAC and national project coordinators. Implementation is overseen by the CAMP Otranto Steering Committee, with the particular involvement of the Albanian Ministry of Tourism and Environment (AMTE), and the Italian Ministry of the Environment and Energy Security (IMEES) along with Vlora region (AL) and Puglia region (IT).

## SHARED KNOW-HOW HELPS PROTECT THE LOCAL ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT



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Each country tailors to the needs of local stakeholders and communities in how they employ transboundary activities and exchange experiences to support the implementation of the Barcelona Convention, with ICZM and MSP, as well as the related EU instruments.

## THE AREA OF OTRANTO IS A HOTSPOT FOR BIODIVERSITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES



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The Strait of Otranto connects the Adriatic with the Ionian Sea and links Albania with Italy. Due to its historical and natural strategic position, this area has been key to controlling all traffic flow from Mediterranean to Adriatic seas for centuries, making it a very sensitive part of the Mediterranean basin.

By contributing to the development, operation and sharing know-how and best practices on sustainable coastal management, the project will tackle coastal and marine environmental challenges.



REDUCING POLLUTION Especially marine litter



IMPROVING SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

Sharing best practice



PRESERVING BIODIVERSITY

Focusing on coastal and marine ecosystems

BE PART OF THE CONVERSATION ABOUT SUSTAINABLE COASTAL MANAGEMENT IN THE ADRIATIC.