

Kick Off Meeting AdriaClim Project (29-30 June 2020)

The **Kick-off meeting** of the project **ADRIACLIM** - *Climate change information, monitoring and management tools for adaptation strategies in Adriatic coastal areas* - was held on June 29th and 30th. Due to specific situation, the Kick off meeting was organized online.

AdriaClim is the acronym of the new research project funded by the **Italy-Croatia Interreg Cooperation Programme** that is dedicated to supporting the development of science-based regional and local climate change adaptation plans.

Coordinated by Agenzia Regionale per la Prevenzione l'Ambiente e l'energia of the Emilia-Romagna region, AdriaClim involves **19 partners** and brings together research institutes, universities, institutions, and business from the two countries, Italy and Croatia.

Partnership:

1. Regional Agency for Prevention, Environment and Energy in Emilia Romagna (Italy)
2. National Research Council (CNR) (Italy)
3. Regional Agency for Environmental Protection and Prevention of Veneto (Italy)
4. Zadar County Development Agency Zadra Nova (Croatia)
5. Dubrovnik Neretva County (Croatia)
6. Ruder Boskovic Institute (Croatia)
7. Public Institution RERA SD for Coordination and Development of Split-Dalmatia County (Croatia)
8. Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries (Croatia)
9. Apulia Region (Italy)
10. Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change Foundation (Italy)
11. Alma Mater Studiorum - University of Bologna (Italy)
12. Environmental Protection Agency of Friuli Venezia Giulia (Italy)
13. Italian National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA)(Italy)
14. Marche Region – Productive Activities, Education and Labour (Italy)
15. Local Health Authority Nr 3 (Italy)
16. Molise Region (Italy)
17. Emilia-Romagna Region (Italy)
18. City of Venice (Italy)
19. Region of Istria (Croatia)

After brief presentation of each participant and their organization, the first day was dedicated to introduction of AdriaClim: general presentation of the project and Gantt, technical Work packages WP3, WP4 and WP5, activities and deliverables. Second day off Kick-off was dedicated to WP1 (Management and administrative aspects) and WP2 (Communication). After discussion and questions, project members formed **Steering Committee**. In order to start this project on the appropriate level, the members of the Steering Committee have agreed to provide the project management with a list of networks and institutions which should be contacted in matters of expertise, events and policy issues.