



## The MIMOSA EU Project on maritime passenger transport between Italy and Croatia comes to an end

The <u>strategic project MIMOSA - MarItime and MultimOdal Sustainable pAssenger transport solutions and services</u>, financed by the Interreg Italy-Croatia Programme, is about to conclude.

The final conference, held in Opatija, Croatia, on 14 June 2023 - the project team on behalf of the Region attended the meeting – officially **closed the activities and fostered the transfer of the very important results** achieved in the field of multimodal and sustainable maritime passenger transport in the coastal regions of Italy and Croatia.



The **pilot actions** conducted by the partners were the core of the project. The objective: to define feasible solutions after examining the state of the art of maritime connections between the two shores, in order to **strengthen passenger transport and promote the socio-economic development** of the area, while placing environmental impact at the centre of their action.





In particular, the Abruzzo Region carried out an innovative study, which delved into the **feasibility of a low-impact maritime link between the ports of Pescara and Split**, and analyzed alternative solutions for powering a vessel, such as LNG, and which, at the same time, explored how potentially useful it could be in the area between Italy and Croatia. To this end, the Region received the technical-scientific the support of CITRAMS - Centre for Transport and Sustainable Mobility Research.

The study aimed to contribute to developing Adriatic connectivity and to the sustainable upgrading of a new multimodal corridor, which crosses central Italy towards the Croatian side of the Adriatic - a very important link between Eastern and Western Europe – thus shifting road traffic of passengers and goods towards more sustainable routes.