

Starting up the strategic project MIMOSA on intermodal&sustainable maritime transport

The kick-off meeting of the Italy-Croatia Programme-funded strategic project **MIMOSA - MarItime and MultimOdal Sustainable pAssenger transport solutions and services** was held online on July 29, 2020.

MIMOSA aims to propose intermodal and sustainable maritime passenger transport solutions at the benefit of the coastline areas along Italy and Croatia. The partners will be engaged in a joint action of analysis of the supply and demand and will explore the technological solutions necessary for improving sustainable and multimodal passenger services at cross-border level. The partnership will elaborate an Action plan on transport sustainability, which takes into account the socio-economic specific characteristics of the territories. In particular, as a project partner, the **Abruzzo Region – Service of Territorial Cooperation IPA, coordinated by Ms. Paola Di Salvatore**, in collaboration with the Transport Department, intends to carry out an experimental project aiming at verifying the feasibility of a maritime link with a LNG-powered vessel, thus demonstrating how useful developing connectivity in the Adriatic is, and in order to enhance a multi-modal maritime corridor with low environmental impact.

The results collected from the pilot actions carried out by the 18 partners **will generate good practices to transfer and capitalize with the relevant authorities and operators**, so as to raise the awareness of the general public on the importance to use intermodal transport. The good practices will converge into *Policy Recommendations* for the European Commission to consider.