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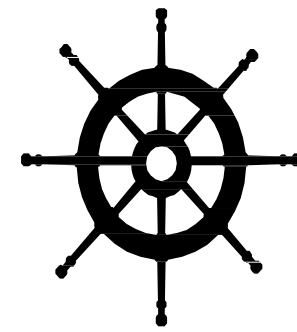


TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE MORE



Who we are

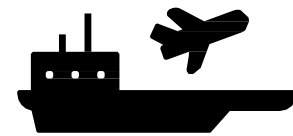
- ~ SMEs
- ~ Branch Associations, Chambers
- ~ Educational institutions
- ~ R&D organizations



Shipping & IWT



Ports & Services



Logistics



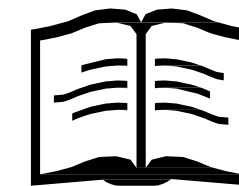
Shipbuilding & Repair



Classification & Survey



Ship design



Education & Training



R&D



Who we are



Business Support on Your Doorstep

National Hub Bulgaria





Major activities

Promotion of Bulgarian maritime industry

exhibitions, B2B & C2C meetings, workshops

Innovation ecosystem development

Funding & investment opportunities, technological conferences, networking with EU and non-EU maritime clusters, cross cluster collaboration, project development, partners search

Stimulating **career development** in the Blue sectors

Blue career fairs, cohesion of the maritime education to match industrial trends and demand – workshops, training courses, programs

Institutional dialogue for sustainable Blue economy

Policy Consultations (S3, Regional strategy), studies, data collection and processing

Black Sea

Common Maritime Agenda

Assistance Mechanism

Ilze Atanasova, Marine Cluster Bulgaria

EALING Black Sea Region Stakeholder Workshop

27th June 2023, Burgas



Marine Cluster Bulgaria

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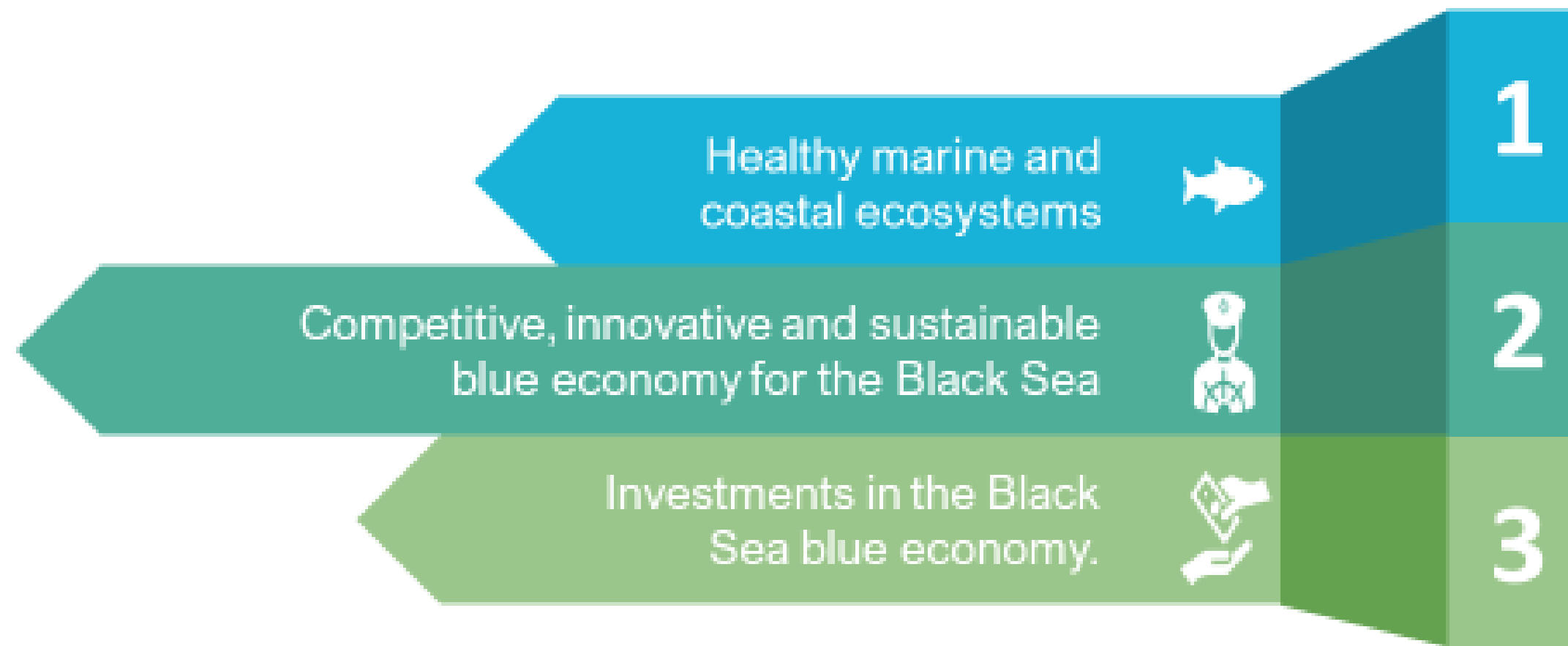
Common Maritime Agenda
for the Black Sea

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THE COMMON MARITIME AGENDA

Three goals for a sustainable and resilient blue economy:



CMA Priorities

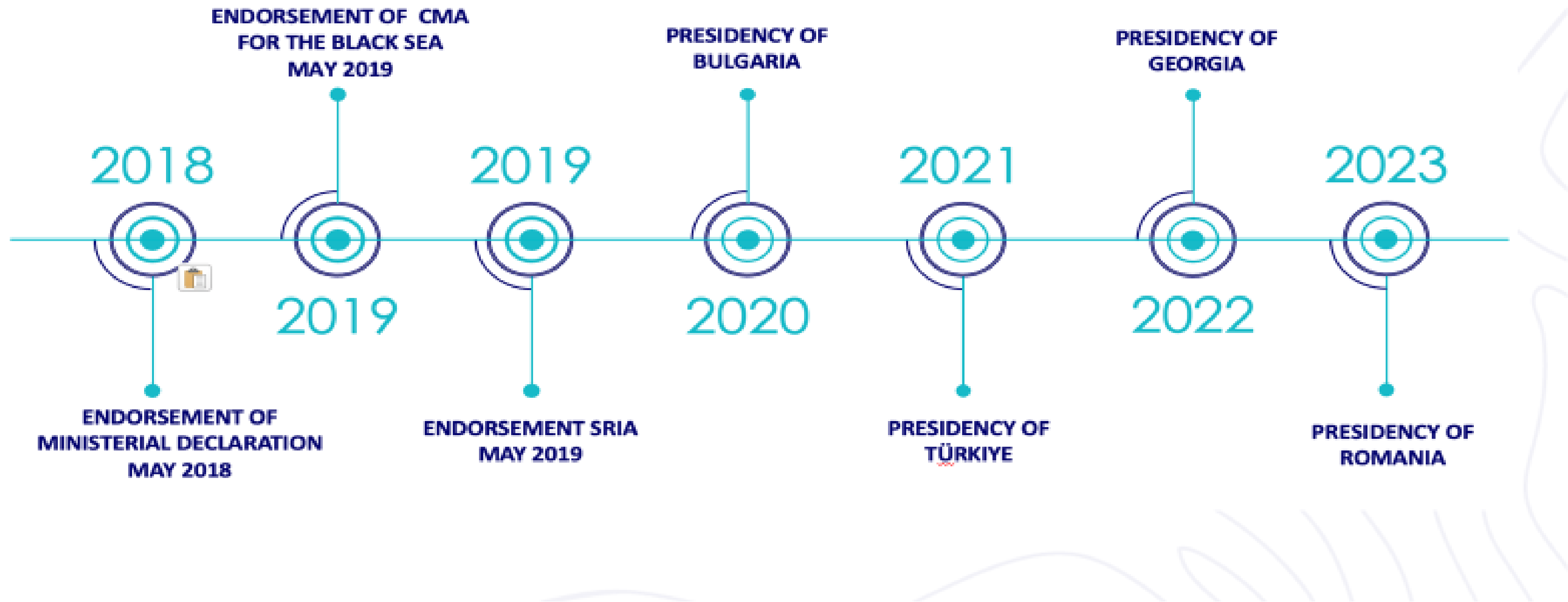
- *Protection of marine ecosystem*
- *Marine pollution and plastic litter*
- *Sustainable fisheries and aquaculture*
- *Innovative marine research infrastructures*
- *Environmental monitoring and observation*

- *Innovative business models*
- *Transport and digital connectivity*
- *Blue skills and blue careers*

- *Access to finance and sustainable investment*
- *Maritime entrepreneurship and clusters*

The CMA: a strategic reference framework in the Black Sea to support **green, smart** and **resilient transformation** of blue economy sectors

A PROCESS UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE BLACK SEA SYNERGY AND BLUE ECONOMY MILESTONES



Black Sea Assistance Mechanism (BSAM)

Its global objectives

-  Support the implementation and follow up of the CMA for the Black Sea **at regional and national level**
-  **Blue Economy Project development/monitoring** in line with the 3 CMA goals
-  **Black Sea BE stakeholders engagement and awareness** in the continuation of the Black Sea Blue Growth Facility



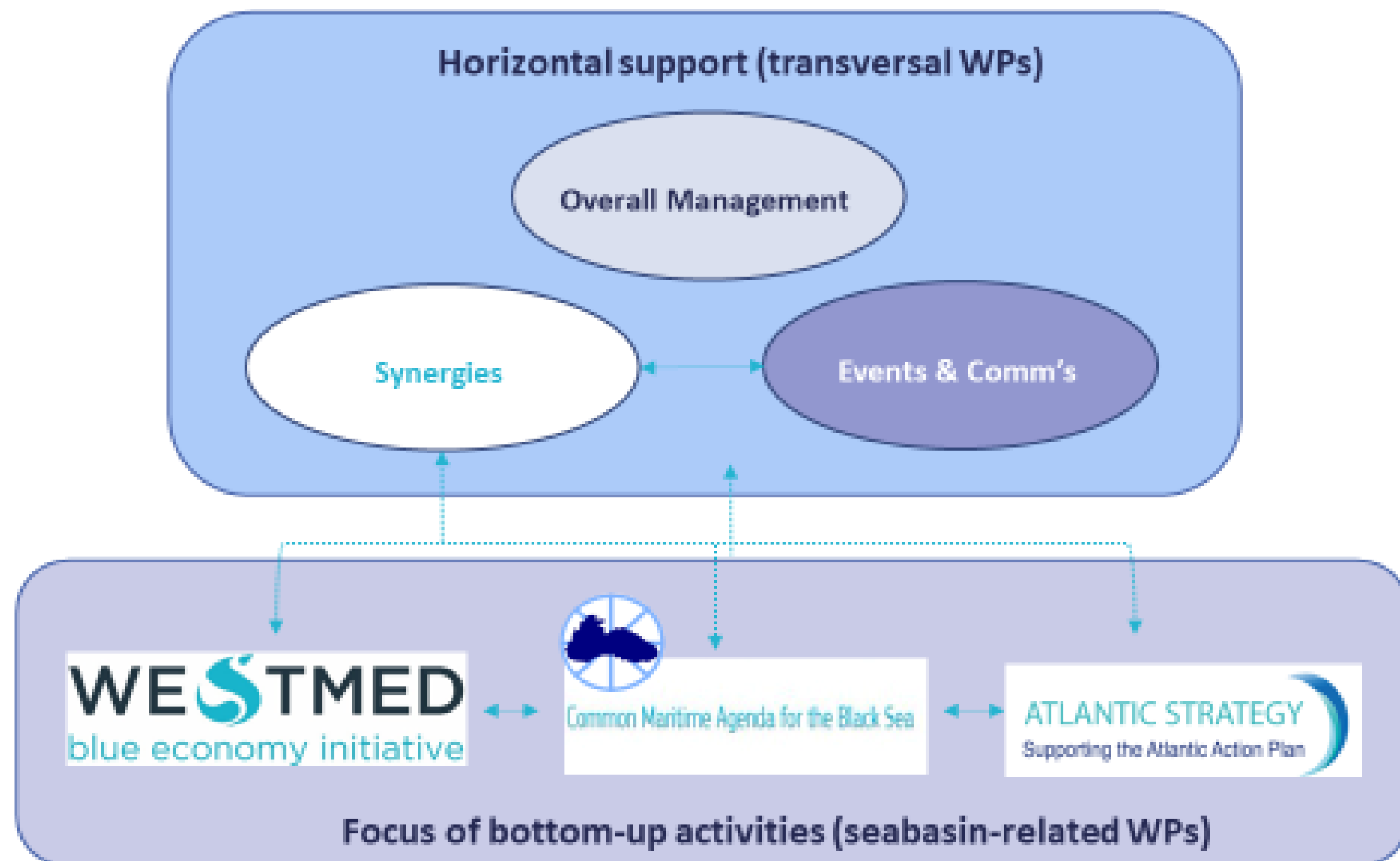
CURRENT SEA BASINS ASSISTANCE MECHANISM

I. HORIZONTAL WORK PACKAGES

- Overall management and coordination
- Policy feedback and development of synergies
- Communication and projects monitoring

II. SEA BASIN WORK PACKAGES

- Common Maritime agenda for the Black Sea
- WestMED initiative
- Atlantic Maritime Strategy



OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT

Central Team

- steer and spearhead the implementation of activities,
- take responsibility for the overall management and control for the quality of the work delivered

National Hubs

- mobilise and liaise with local and national stakeholders,
- facilitate the local implementation of activities

Expert Pools

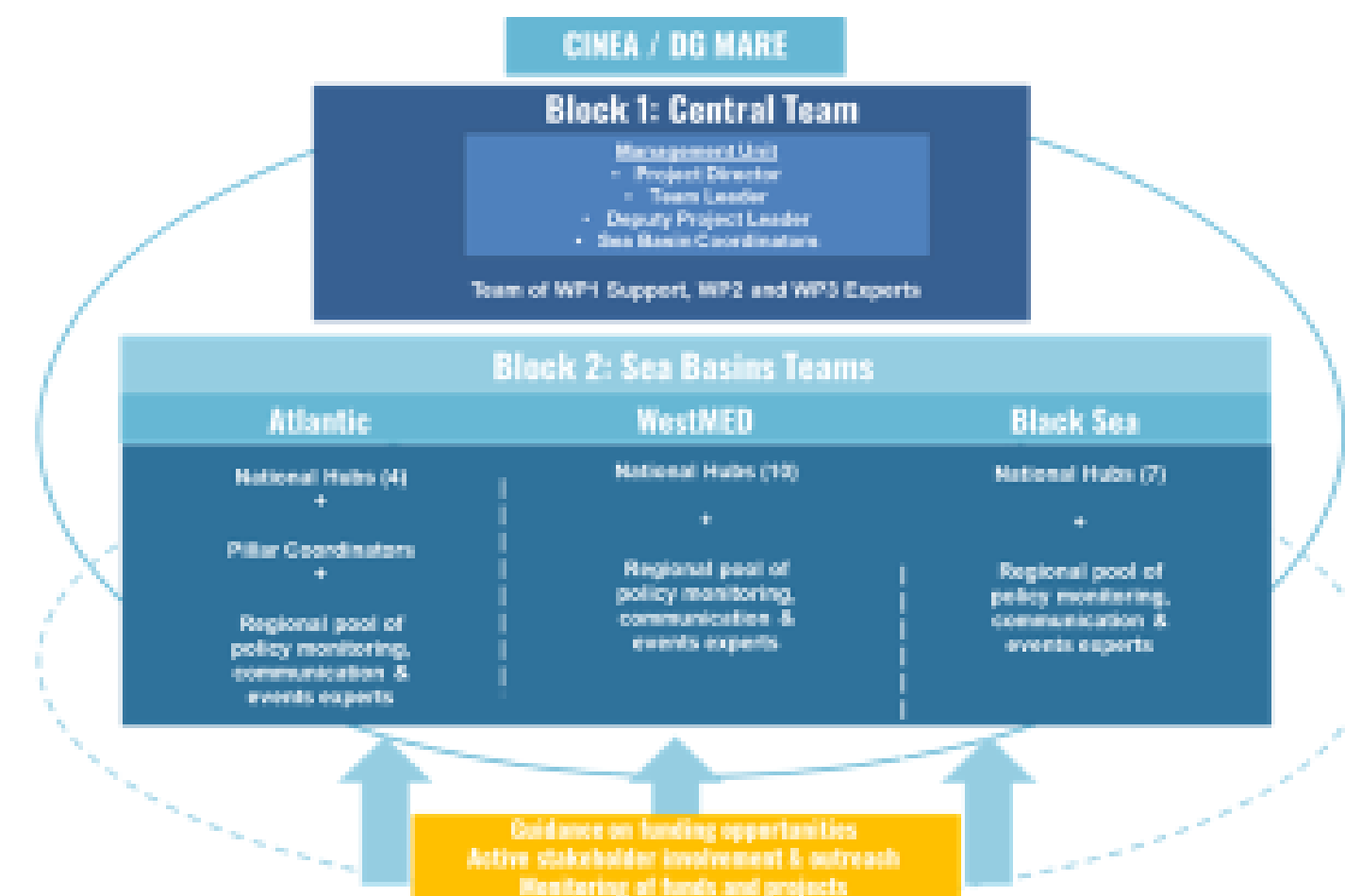
Provide hands-on expertise:

Project funding and development

Events and Communication

Monitoring of funds and projects

Management



AM National Hubs (NH)





NH SUPPORT: NATIONAL AND REGIONAL

AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

- **Support National Coordinators** in setting national priorities
- **Engage with national stakeholders** across relevant sectors
- **Promote National Events/Workshops** to discuss priorities
- **Raise awareness on blue economy** potentials and funding
- **Support project ideas** generation and promotion

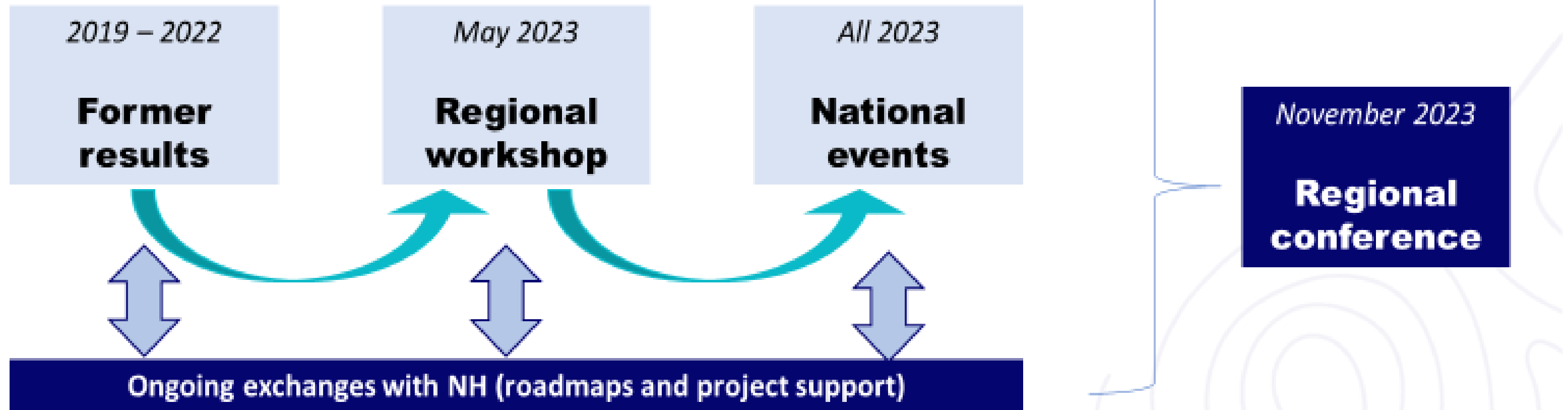
AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

- Provide a frame for **regional cooperation** (policy/projects)
- Scale up project ideas and support **regional partnerships**
- Identify priority areas for **cooperation (e.g. Technical Groups)**
- Engage with **regional initiatives (synergies)**



AM support: regional activities

Ongoing support by the AM towards CMA implementation



- A number of actions and events has been promoted to **identify relevant project ideas**
- Such ideas have been further **revised and discussed by the (NHs and Coordination)**
- Engagements with relevant stakeholders has allowed to **further draft some concept notes**

Save-the-date for the Black Sea Common Maritime Agenda Stakeholder Conference!

Common Maritime Agenda
for the Black Sea



SAVE THE DATE



<https://Black-Sea-Maritime-Agenda.EC.Europa.EU/>



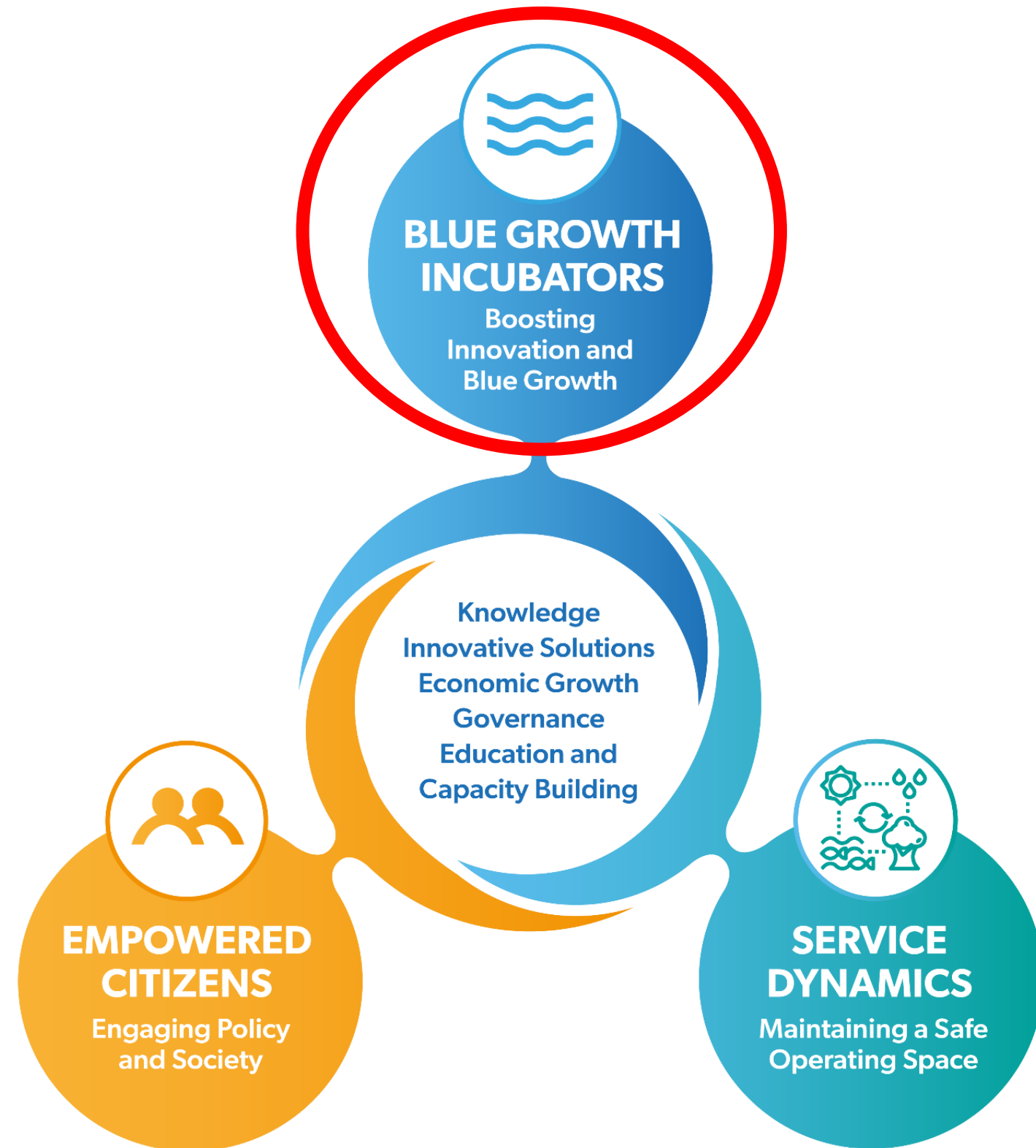
Advancing knowledge, delivering research, empowering citizens for sustainable and climate-neutral Black Sea – BRIDGE-BS - Black Sea Accelerator



BRIDGE-BS Objectives

BRIDGE-BS will advance knowledge and deliver research under three NODES

The overall objective of BRIDGE-BS is to **advance the Black Sea's marine research and innovation to co-develop Blue Growth pathways under multi-stressors for the sustainable utilization of the ecosystem services.** To do so it will develop an ecosystem-based management framework to enable policy uptake and foster citizen engagement.





Black Sea Accelerator



BLACK SEA ACCELERATOR FOR A SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY

Facilitated by BRIDGE-BS and DOORS Projects



APPLY TO MAKE WAVES!

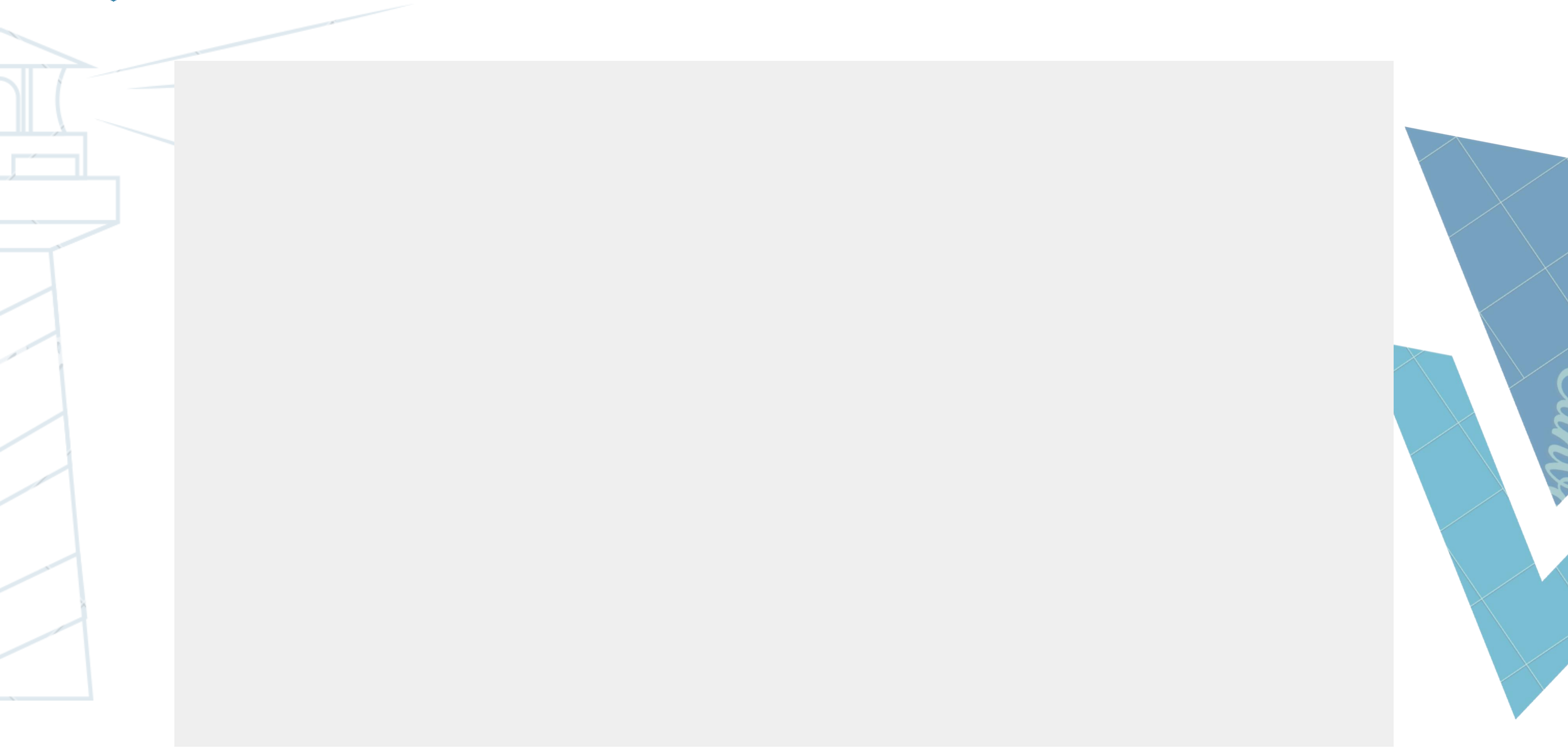
Deadline: 31 October 2023



<https://bridgeblacksea.org/index.php/black-sea-accelerator/>



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BLUE CAREER VIRTUAL CENTER



<https://bridgeblacksea.org/index.php/virtual-blue-career-center/>

BLUE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A **PLATFORM** TO PROMOTE THE **BLUE ECONOMY** AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION**

VIRTUAL BLUE CAREER CENTER

- Increase Awareness of the Workforce and Employability
- Professional Development and Education
- Promote Blue Economy Sectors
- Career Development





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