



CPMR POLITICAL BUREAU

28 March 2025, Bari (Puglia, Italy) | 9:00-18:45

Meeting venue: Fiera del Levante – Padiglione 152 - 70132 BARI (Puglia, Italy) - Access via the "Ingresso Monumentale" entrance gate, Via

- AGENDA -

as of 24/03/2025

THURSDAY 27 MARCH 2025

20:00 – Joint social dinner for CPMR and Intermediterranean Commission Political Bureau members (Venue: "BARION" - Molo San Nicola 5 Bari

N.B. Participants should make their own way to the dinner venue

FRIDAY 28 MARCH 2025

Working languages: English, French, Greek, Italian and Spanish

8:45	Arrival of participants
9:00-9:20	 OPENING SESSION Welcome address by Mr Michele Emiliano, President of Puglia Region Address by Mr Filip Reinhag, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland Approval of the minutes of the Political Bureau meeting held on 3 October 2024 in Gozo (Malta) and of the minutes of the online Political Bureau meeting held on 18 December 2024 Adoption of the agenda
9:20-11:00	SESSION 1: INTERNAL BUSINESS - GOVERNANCE Chaired and moderated by Mr Filip Reinhag, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland Opening by Mr Filip Reinhag, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland and update on the state of play following the online Political Bureau of 18 December 2024 Brainstorming among Members on the open call for the selection of a new Secretary General

- Update on the work of the Task Force on Internal Governance and perspectives by Ms
 Annika Annerby Jansson, Honorary President of the CPMR and Chair of the Task Force
 - Update on Internal Procedures: Travel, Purchasing, Recruitment, Bank Transfers, Appraisals.
 - New Conflict of interest policy and Decision procedure on misappropriation of assets
 - Debate
 - Approval of updated procedures and new policies and decisions (Vote)
- Results of the well-being and culture scan conducted by Grant Thornton among CPMR General Secretariat staff, by Mr Maarten Van Knippenberg, Director for Forensic and Integrity Services
- Debate with Members of the Political Bureau
- Wrap up and next steps in relation with the TF's work, the Statutes and the Internal Procedures by Mr Filip Reinhag, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland

11:00-11:30 - Coffee Break

11:30-11:50

SESSION 2: INTERNAL BUSINESS – ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL ISSUES

Chaired and introduced by **Mr Filip Reinhag**, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland

Financial Issues

- Appointment of a New Treasurer (candidature of Ms Mariëtte Van Leeuwen, Regional Minister of Zuid-Holland)
- Update on the CPMR's financial situation (for information)

Membership

11:50-13:00

SESSION 3: INTERNAL BUSINESS - POLICY ACTIVITIES

Chaired and introduced by **Mr Filip Reinhag**, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland

- Short overview of progress on the CPMR work programme by Mr Davide Strangis, Acting Secretary General of the CPMR
- Presentation of the work and action plans on CPMR core policy areas by the Vice Presidents
 - <u>Climate & Energy:</u> **Mr Marcos Ortuño Soto**, Regional Minister of the Presidency, Spokesperson, External Action and Emergencies, Murcia Region
 - Transport & Accessibility: Mr George Alexakis, Vice Governor of Crete Region
 - <u>Cohesion Policy:</u> **Mr Eugenio Giani**, President, Tuscany Region represented by **Silvia Burzagli**, Executive Director of the EU Liaison Office
 - <u>Maritime Affairs:</u> **Ms Henna Hovi**, Member of the Board Regional Council of Kymenlaakso represented by the Acting Secretary General, Mr Davide Strangis
 - Neighbourhood Policy: TBC

Debate with Members of the Political Bureau

Moderated by **Mr Davide Strangis**, Acting Secretary General of the CPMR

13:00-14:00 - Lunch in situ



14:00-15:30

SESSION 4: CPMR VISION ON COMPETITIVENESS & TERRITORIAL COHESION

Chaired and introduced by Mr Filip Reinhag, CPMR President

Speech by Ms Silvia Burzagli, on behalf of Eugenio Gianni, President of Tuscany

Moderated by Mr Jorge Nuñez, CPMR Director for Cohesion and EU Budget

- Ms Lourdes Acedo Montoya, Head of Unit, MFF and Chief Economist, DG Budget, European Commission
- Mr Nicola Zingaretti, Member of the European Parliament
- Video message by Ms Maravillas Abadía Jover, Member of the European Parliament
- Update on the CPMR's technical proposals for Cohesion Policy by Mr Jorge Nuñez, CPMR
 Director for EU Cohesion Policy and Budget
- Debate with Members of the Political Bureau
- Conclusions

15:30-16:00 - Coffee break

16:00-17:30

SESSION 5: CLEAN INDUSTRIAL DEAL & MARITIME INDUSTRY

Chaired and introduced by **Mr Marcos Ortuño Soto** CPMR Vice-President for Climate & Energy

Moderated by **Ms Karin Jacobs**, CPMR Director for Transport and Energy

- Mr Antonio Decaro, Member of the European Parliament, ENVI Chair
- Mr Christophe Tytgat, Secretary General, SEA Europe
- Mr Alessandro Delli Noci Regional Minister Economic Development, Apulia Region
- Debate with Members of the Political Bureau
- Conclusions by Mr Marcos Ortuño Soto, CPMR Vice-President for Climate & Energy

17:30-18:30

SESSION 6: BRAINSTORMING ON THE 2025 CPMR GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND FINAL DECLARATION

Chaired and introduced by **Mr Filip Reinhag**, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland

Moderated by **Mr Davide Strangis**, Acting Secretary General of the CPMR

- Presentation of proposals from the General Secretariat, by Mr Davide Strangis, Acting Secretary General of the CPMR
- Debate with Members of the Political Bureau
- Conclusions by Mr Filip Reinhag, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland



18:30-18:45

CLOSING SESSION

Forthcoming meetings of the CPMR

Political Bureau

- 4 July 2025, The Hague, Zuid-Holland (The Netherlands)
- March 2026, Cyprus
- Other Proposals for 2026 TBC

General Assembly

- 19-21 November 2025, Barcelona, Catalonia (Spain)
- November 2026, Stavanger (Rogaland, Norway)
- Conclusions by Mr Filip Reinhag, President of the CPMR and Regional Councillor, Region Gotland

End of proceedings

Free evening

SATURDAY 29 MARCH 2025

Excursion /Study Visit | 8.30-16.30 (see details in Practical information sheet)