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**Regional legislative assembly: Legislative Assembly of Friuli Venezia Giulia
Autonomous Region**

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Type of project:

a) Regional law:



b) Administrative act:

c) Procedure:

d) Other: **NICOSIA INITIATIVE: meeting with representatives from libyan municipalities, regarding training in the field of fishing cooperatives**

Date of issuing of the initiative 13-15 JUNE 2017

Reference period : 2016-2017

Short description of the initiative

The legislative Assembly of Friuli Venezia Giulia Autonomous Region adhered to NICOSIA INITIATIVE, that is an initiative of european Committee of the Regions (CoR) to implement development cooperation for Libyan municipalities.

FVG Region has started an exchange of best practices in the field of fishing cooperatives to inform participants about the certification process and requirements as well as about fish processing methods in the costal cities (Trieste, Marano Lagunare and Grado) in order to explore various options of cooperation in this sector, possibly resulting in the long run in concrete investments on the ground in Libya. The participation of the representatives of municipalities of Tripoli, Sirte, Benghazi and Toubruk in their quality of mayors or experts in fishery and the participation of experts, authorities and operators of fishing cooperatives of Friuli Venezia Giulia Region is the key to the success of the event aiming at fostering cooperation of different Libyan municipalities on projects with strong underlying economic interest.

The exchange is organized in the framework of the Nicosia initiative, the European Committee of the Regions' capacity building initiative aiming at strengthening Libyan municipalities and promoting their networking and direct cooperation with European regions and municipalities on topics of common interest. A special focus is devoted to the cooperation with Libyan costal municipalities in view of reinforcing their resilience, given their central



role in the management of migration flows, and as called for by the recent Malta Declaration of the EU Heads of State or Government.

Role of the regional Assembly:

The Regional Assembly organized the meeting between Libyan representatives, the regional authorities and the fishing cooperatives operators, in the main coastal cities of Friuli Venezia Giulia, such as Trieste, Marano Lagunare e Grado, to show the fishing methods and to foster links between companies of both territories in fishing sector.

Main features of the initiative

The meeting highlights:

- opportunities in cooperation development;
- Libya sea resources
- fishing in Friuli Venezia Giulia
- fishing in the lagoons of Grado and Marano
- sustainability and monitoring of the fish supply chain
- presentation of the “Blue growth” initiative (training initiative in fishing sector)
- tour of shellfish farms in the region
- fish products marketing and cooperatives legislation
- cooperatives support in the fishing sector

Description of the consequences on the regions pointing out the positive European implications

Improve cooperation in the fishing sector means implement decentralized cooperation with developing countries to foster youth employment and to prevent migration flows, by securing the coasts safety.



Forms with the description of the initiative must be sent by 2 June 2017 to the CALRE General Secretariat, at the following e-mail:

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