

# SWIM and Horizon 2020 Support Mechanism

Working for a Sustainable Mediterranean, Caring for our Future

## SWIM-H2020 SM expert facility activities on marine litter and Strategic approach for the peer-to-peer exchange (P2P-3)

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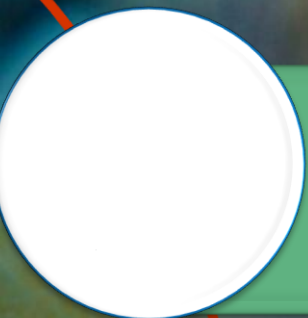
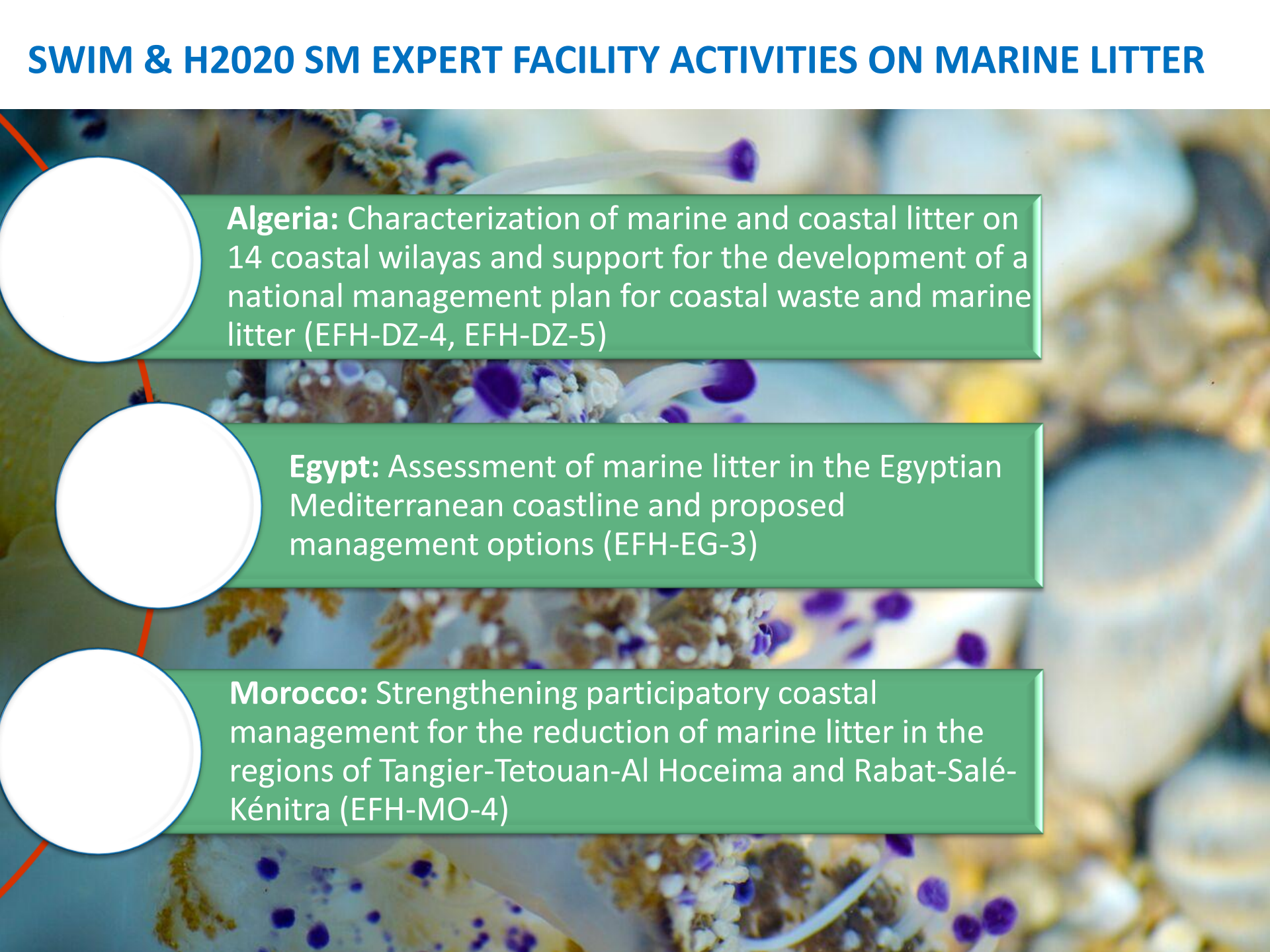
# SWIM & H2020 SM & MARINE LITTER

- ✓ **Enhancing the coordination** on marine litter related aspects from monitoring and assessment approaches to prevention and mitigation measures, to concretely support the implementation of the Barcelona Convention Regional Plan for Marine Litter Management in the Mediterranean and the implementation of the European Union Marine Strategy Framework Directive.
- ✓ **Complementing** the UN Environment/MAP ongoing activities on marine litter focusing on the measures outlined in the Regional Plan e.g. prioritizing and showcasing measures; sharing best practices; developing guidelines, etc.
- ✓ **Building synergies** with the EU-funded Marine Litter MED project, implemented and coordinated by UN Environment/MAP covering a period of three years (June 2016 – June 2019).
- ✓ **Capitalizing on and replicating** successful EU (and other) funded initiatives implemented on the science-policy-society interface such the IPA-Adriatic DeFishGear project, the FP7 MARLISCO, the Interreg Med ACT4LITTER project, etc.
- ✓ **Advancing and strengthening** the implementation of major upcoming programmes such as the 'Plastic Busters for a Mediterranean litter free' project, labeled in 2016 under the Union for the Mediterranean.







# SWIM & H2020 SM EXPERT FACILITY ACTIVITIES ON MARINE LITTER



**Algeria:** Characterization of marine and coastal litter on 14 coastal wilayas and support for the development of a national management plan for coastal waste and marine litter (EFH-DZ-4, EFH-DZ-5)



**Egypt:** Assessment of marine litter in the Egyptian Mediterranean coastline and proposed management options (EFH-EG-3)



**Morocco:** Strengthening participatory coastal management for the reduction of marine litter in the regions of Tangier-Tetouan-Al Hoceima and Rabat-Salé-Kénitra (EFH-MO-4)

# EXPERT FACILITY ACTIVITIES – STRATEGIC APPROACH



# REGIONAL (REG-1) & PEER-TO-PEER EXCHANGE (P2P-3) ACTIVITIES

## Aim

Bring together the key stakeholders from the beneficiary countries with selected experts and provide a high-level collective learning experience in order to strengthen the implementation in the beneficiary countries of the obligations and measures relevant to the Regional Plan for Marine Litter Management in the Mediterranean of the Barcelona Convention.

## Objectives

- ✓ Provide the participants with a complete and comprehensive introduction of the Regional Plan for Marine Litter Management in the Mediterranean of the Barcelona Convention, its requirements and obligations.
- ✓ Enable, encourage, and facilitate dialogue and exchange of experiences between participants from the beneficiary countries on marine litter monitoring and management measures;
- ✓ Promote sharing of best practices and facilitate synergies and complementary activities within the Mediterranean with regards to marine litter monitoring and management measures;
- ✓ Launch a peer-to-peer process for experience sharing at regional level and knowledge transfer on marine litter monitoring and share the lessons learned at the regional workshop.



# THE PEER-TO-PEER APPROACH

- Highly participatory and interactive

- 2 webinars will be carried out

- Continuous e-mail communication and short progress

- ✓ identification and final selection of specific sampling sites for marine litter monitoring on the coastline of your respective countries;
- ✓ conduction of 3-4 marine litter monitoring surveys per site;
- ✓ production of marine litter datasets from the pilot monitoring surveys; processing of the marine litter datasets obtained;
- ✓ elaboration of an assessment report on amounts, types, composition and sources of marine litter in the surveyed sites).

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Thank you for your attention!

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