

# NATURAL RESOURCES & ADAPTATION CLUSTER

## ANNUAL WORK PLAN 2026

### CLUSTER DESCRIPTION AND KEY PRIORITIES

ERRIN's **Natural Resources and Adaptation Cluster** combines the activities of the **Bioeconomy Working Group**, **Blue Economy Working Group** and **Climate Adaptation and Resilience Working Group**, aligning their efforts to address key EU priorities and strengthen the R&I capacities of the regional innovation ecosystems of the ERRIN members. Operating as a Cluster enables the Working Groups to deliver more impactful messages with a collective voice, enhancing their influence on key EU strategies and initiatives. The cross-sectoral perspective further fosters innovative, holistic approaches to complex challenges while enhancing collaboration.

The Natural Resources and Adaptation Cluster actively monitors and engages with major EU priorities and strategies, including the **Horizon Europe Programme**, its **European Partnerships** and the **EU Missions 'A Soil Deal for Europe', 'Restore our Ocean and Waters' and 'Adaptation to Climate Change'**. Key workstreams for the Cluster in 2026 include **circular economy, bioeconomy and resilience-related** policies and initiatives, the new **European climate resilience framework**, while closely monitoring their evolution and funding implication in the context of the **Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) post-2027**. In 2026, the Cluster will operate in a dense policy landscape for ocean and maritime issues, following the publication of the **European Ocean Pact** at the end of 2025. ERRIN will structure its work on blue policies around the six priorities of the Ocean Pact to ensure coherence across related EU initiatives.

With the aim of strengthening members' engagement in the three EU Missions covered by the cluster's work – the [Mission Soil](#), [Ocean and Waters](#), [Adaptation to Climate Change](#) – the Working Groups under this Cluster regularly engages with the different Mission Secretariats. These exchanges aim to discuss and help shape the implementation of the Missions in 2026, while also contributing to reflections on their continuation, strategic orientation, and integration within the MFF post-2027, in particular in Horizon Europe and in the European Competitiveness Fund.

Mirroring several of the Horizon Europe Pillar II Clusters, the Natural Resources and Adaptation Cluster aims to foster synergies to address complex challenges in a multi-perspective approach.

Additionally, the ERRIN projects [Circular Cities and Regions Initiative \(CCRI\)](#), [RESIST](#), [SOILL](#), [Pathways2Resilience](#), [National Adaptation Hubs](#), [Mission Ocean and Waters Implementation Platform](#), [CO-WATERS](#) and [BlueActionBanos](#) support the members and provide opportunities to build their regional R&I capacity to address these complex transitions.

More details about each Working Group and project can be found at the end of this file.

## CLUSTER CALENDAR

Date	Topic	Responsible
26 January	Cluster Kick-off meeting	Cluster Activity
Consultation deadline: 23 February	Open Public Consultation for the new European climate resilience framework	Climate Adaptation and Resilience WG
12 February	Policy Recommendations from the Circular Cities and Regions Initiative to the Circular Economy Act	Bioeconomy WG
February, several dates	Taskforce to support the design of the Mission Ocean and Waters Label (CO-WATERS project)	Blue Economy WG
27 February	Project Development Session	Cluster Activity
4 March	Blue social drink	Blue Economy WG
16 April TBC	EU Bioeconomy Strategy	Bioeconomy WG
April TBC	Innovative solutions for Climate Adaptation	Climate Adaptation and Resilience WG
September TBC	Ocean Act: Regional priorities in focus	Blue Economy WG
October TBC	ERRIN Circular Economy Event: Circular Economy Act and regional perspectives	Bioeconomy WG
November TBC	Mission Soil: Lessons learned and upcoming opportunities	Bioeconomy WG
November TBC	Implementing the EU Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change – Regional Experiences and Next Steps	Climate Adaptation and Resilience WG
November TBC	Water, Ocean and Climate Adaptation: Where are we heading?	Blue Economy WG

## ACTIVITIES

### [Kick-off meeting](#)

**26 January | 14:00–17:00**

#### **Cluster Activity**

**Responsible co-leaders:** Angele Liaigre, Aki Ishiwa

#### **In-person**

This informal and interactive meeting offers an opportunity for all members to connect, network and engage with the planned activities of the Bioeconomy, Blue Economy, and Climate Adaptation and Resilience Working Groups for 2026. The objective is to gather first impressions and inputs on what is to come, leaving room for potential modifications and allowing the members to react to the planning.

The meeting provides an overview of the Cluster Annual Plan, including a teaser for the soon-to-come project development session in February. A dedicated session is organised to get to know the members of the Cluster better and gather feedback on the proposed activities.

### [Open Public Consultation for the new European climate resilience framework](#)

**Consultation deadline:** 23 February

**Responsible WG:** Climate Adaptation and Resilience

**Responsible co-leaders:** Zoe Buyle-Bodin

The European Commission launched on the 1 December 2025 a public consultation on the future European climate resilience framework (legislative and non-legislative proposals to be published on Q4 2026). This public consultation will close on 23 February 2026.

Building on its previous contribution to the call for evidence, which closed in September 2025 as well as on the feedback received to its questionnaire on the Adaptation Mission, ERRIN will respond to specific sections related to governance, ‘protecting people and supporting regional and local action’ as well as ‘Competitiveness – harnessing innovation opportunities’. ERRIN members will also be invited to answer the consultation and to share their answers with ERRIN.

### [CCRI Policy Recommendations in view of the Circular Economy Act](#)

**12 February | 14:00**

**Responsible WG:** Bioeconomy

**Responsible co-leaders:** Angele Liaigre, Randi Johanne Hoseth

**Hybrid**

The first phase of the [Circular Cities and Regions Initiative \(CCRI\)](#) is at an end, and 2026 will mark the start of the second phase, with opportunities for cities and regions to be involved. To take stock of the knowledge and expertise that have been developed over the past years, this CCRI multi-stakeholder dialogue will offer an opportunity for cities and regions to provide recommendations in preparation of the Circular Economy Act, set to be published in Q3 2026.

Topics that will be addressed are the following:

- Public procurement
- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes
- Revision of End of Waste (EoW) criteria
- Product-specific recycled content mandates
- Recycling of Waste from Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)
- Transnational and regional initiatives

### [CO-WATERS: Sustainable Blue Economy Taskforce to support the design of the Mission Ocean and Waters Label](#)

**1<sup>st</sup> meeting: 17 February | 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting: Last week of February**

**Responsible WG:** Blue Economy

**Responsible co-leaders:** Saara Nuotio-Coulon, Aki Ishiwa, Capucine Seguin and Søren Heinecke

**Hybrid**

In the framework of the [CO-WATERS](#) project, ERRIN will host a meeting to support the design of the Mission Ocean and Waters (MOW) Label. The aim is to have ERRIN members and relevant actors within their R&I ecosystems, and potentially other stakeholders (MOW Charter signatories, recipients

of MOW Technical Assistance, etc.) present to get as many different and highly relevant views as possible. These discussions will directly support the review and refinement of the Label methodology.

The scope of this meeting is to discuss:

- The EU context,
- Key challenges, risks and bottlenecks,
- Good practices, case studies and progress assessment criteria/indicators,
- Broader enabling conditions: governance models, financing mechanisms and support instruments.

### **Project Development Session**

**27 February | 10:00**

**Cluster Activity**

**Responsible co-leaders:** Zoe Buyle-Bodin, Essi Virtanen, Angèle Liaigre, Capucine Seguin

**Online**

The Cluster will organise a project development session following the official publication of the 2026–2027 Horizon Europe calls (Cluster 6 and EU Mission calls). Based on members’ expression of interests via the [Project Development Tool](#), the Cluster co-leaders will assess which calls the session should focus on and organise a meaningful project development session. Priority will be given to calls for which a project coordinator (or more) has been identified and calls for which there is significant interest.

### **Blue networking event: Launch of the Coalition of cities, regions, islands and ports for the Mission Ocean and Waters**

**4 March | 18:00–20:00**

**Responsible WG:** Blue Economy

**Responsible co-leaders:** Capucine Seguin

**In-person**

Building on last year’s success, the Blue Economy Working Group will host a new networking reception during the [2026 European Ocean Days](#). The objective is to strengthen the Blue Economy community in a relaxed and engaging setting, connecting ERRIN members and their local actors with the [CO-WATERS](#) stakeholders attending the European Ocean Days on the occasion of the Launch of the Coalition of cities, regions, islands and ports for the Mission Ocean and Waters (which is supported by CO-WATERS). The Blue Economy Working Group will also highlight the progress of ERRIN’s work on the Mission Ocean and Waters, with a special focus on another project, [Blue Action Banos \(BAB\)](#), for which we will be teaming up with [NIVA \(Norwegian Institute for Water Research\)](#), a member of ERRIN.

### **EU Bioeconomy Strategy**

**16 April TBC**

**Responsible WG:** Bioeconomy

**Responsible co-leader:** Marie Clotteau

**In-person**

In November 2025, the European Commission published its updated EU Bioeconomy strategy focusing on industrial development and on overcoming barriers to better exploit sustainably biomass. ERRIN contributed to the process with a series of coordinated actions, including an input paper developed with the wider membership, an event with the European Commission DGs leading on the Strategy and the answer to the public consultation.

This meeting will be the occasion for the European Commission to present the bioeconomy strategy and the role it envisages for regional and local authorities to support circular bioeconomy. It will give the floor to members to exchange with the Commission to see how this renewed strategy can impact regions and the concrete following steps to implement. In addition, to prepare the coming Biotech Act II planned for the end of 2026, ERRIN will work with key EU stakeholders (such as EuropaBio and Bio-based Industries Consortium) to better understand definition, roles and economic impact of biotechnologies in the EU.

### **Innovative solutions for Climate Adaptation**

**April TBC**

**Responsible WG:** Climate Adaptation and Resilience

**Responsible co-leaders:** Ingvild Jacobsen

This Working Group meeting will showcase a range of innovative solutions for climate adaptation developed by ERRIN members at the local, regional and European levels. Presentations will cover different types of solutions, including digital tools, Nature-based Solutions (NBS), governance models and other approaches developed within European and local projects. Solutions from projects where ERRIN is a partner, such as P2R, RESIST and AdaptationHubs, will also be presented. The event will provide members with the opportunity to showcase their innovative solutions and to learn from the experiences of other regions. This meeting will also provide an opportunity to discuss the future of EU funding and the need for innovative climate adaptation solutions to be funded and scaled up under the next Horizon Programme and through the ECF.

Members interested in presenting are invited to contact Gaia Marotta ([gaia.marotta@errin.eu](mailto:gaia.marotta@errin.eu)).

### **Ocean Act: Regional priorities in focus**

**September TBC**

**Responsible WG:** Blue Economy

**Responsible co-leaders:** Saara Nuotio-Coulon

**In-person**

In 2026, ERRIN will structure its work on ocean-related policies around the six priorities of the European Ocean Pact, in view of the preparation of the European Ocean Act. Through the Blue Economy Working Group, ERRIN will collect, align and consolidate members' territorial inputs across ongoing EU consultations. This process aims to strengthen the place-based dimension of EU ocean policies and to feed into a coordinated ERRIN contribution to the Ocean Act.

The European Ocean Pact, launched in June 2025, is the EU's overarching strategy to unify its ocean policies. It focuses on six key areas: ocean health, sustainable blue economy, coastal communities, research and innovation, maritime security and defense, as well as ocean governance. It also lays a

roadmap for future legislative action, the European Ocean Act, to be published at the end of 2026, to implement its vision. The Ocean Act will build on the revision of the Maritime Spatial Planning Directive, as well as the revision of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive to ensure a more coherent and effective use of the maritime space and the ocean resources.

In this session we will focus on a few topics of the Ocean Pact which are the most relevant to ERRIN members. Members will be invited to submit their inputs to the various ongoing and upcoming EU consultations related to ocean and maritime policies, allowing ERRIN to structure these contributions in a coherent manner and translate them into a consolidated, well-structured publication feeding into the European Ocean Act.

The meeting will feature a short presentation from the Commission and hear about regional examples related to the Pact's focus areas.

### **ERRIN Circular Economy Event: Circular Economy Act and regional perspectives**

**October TBC**

**Responsible WG:** Bioeconomy

**Responsible co-leaders:** Randi Johanne Hoseth, Angele Liaigre

**In-person**

Circular economy remains a high priority for the ERRIN members, as shown from the Annual Survey. This event will be following up on the two key exchanges organised in October 2025 and February 2026 with the European Commission and the Circular Cities and Regions Initiative (CCRI) and it will be closely connected with the publication of the new Circular Economy Act.

The meeting will include a presentation of the Act and its implications for regional and local authorities, as well as an opportunity for regions and cities to share their first impressions and reactions.

The meeting will also feature a presentation of the new services for cities and regions offered by the Coordination and Support Office of the CCRI, during the second phase of its implementation of the Circular Cities and Regions Initiative from mid 2026–2029.

### **Water, Ocean and Climate Adaptation: Where are we heading?**

**November TBC**

**Responsible WG:** Blue Economy

**Responsible co-leaders:** Martin Broberg

**Hybrid**

Following up on previous activities by the Blue Economy Working Group, including conversations with the Mission Ocean and Waters Secretariat, and events such as the Water Resilience Strategy in December 2025 and the meeting about the Ocean Act in June 2026, this meeting aims to take stock on the work done over the past years, looking ahead. As new water-related topics and initiatives become increasingly relevant, it is time to reflect on how these play into the priorities of the next MFF and whether we can make out a glimpse of what to expect from missions-related work regarding water, ocean and climate adaptation moving towards 2030 and beyond.

The event will be organised in hybrid form as to allow for participation of stakeholders in member regions and organisations. Inviting different speakers from the Commission, relevant Brussels based organisations as well as regional stakeholders.

### **Mission Soil: Lessons learned and upcoming opportunities**

**November TBC**

**Responsible WG:** Bioeconomy

**Responsible co-leaders:** Francesca Ricardi, Angèle Liaigre

**In-person**

As we are soon approaching the end of the current funding period, this meeting will be key to reflect on what the Soil Mission has achieved so far, highlighting good practices from the regional and local levels. This event will also include a presentation from the Soil Mission Secretariat on what comes next, as well as some time for matchmaking on the 2027 calls, should there be interest from the ERRIN membership for it.

The event will be the occasion to present some concrete results from the SOILL project, in which ERRIN is involved, as well as upcoming opportunities for local and regional authorities under the Mission Soil.

### **Implementing the EU Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change – Regional Experiences and Next Steps**

**November TBC**

**Responsible WG:** Climate Adaptation and Resilience

**Responsible co-leaders:** Zoe Buyle-Bodin, Essi Virtanen, Ingvild Jacobsen, Torsten Raff

The Climate Adaptation and Resilience Working Group will invite regions and communities that have received support services from the different Mission Adaptation projects and initiatives (Pathways2Resilience, CLIMAAX, MIP4Adapt etc.) aimed at supporting regions in the implementation of the Mission to share their experiences and learnings. Moreover, the Adaptation Mission Secretariat will be invited to exchange with ERRIN members, present its feedback on the Mission and present the new European climate resilience framework (expected to be published in Q4 2026). The meeting will also provide an opportunity for ERRIN members to discuss how they are implementing the Mission in their regions and to explore potential future support offers for regions and communities.

### **OTHER ISSUES/TOPICS TO BE MONITORED:**

- **EU Ocean Observation:** Call for evidence open until 27 February
- **Ocean and Water Resilience R&I Strategies and EU Strategy on coastal development and resilience**
- **Revision of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive:** Public consultation open until 9 March
- Publication of the new **Circular Economy Act** (Q3 2026)
- Publication of the **Biotech Act II** (Q3 2026)

- Trans-Regional Circularity Hubs (Q4 2026)
- New **Climate Resilience Framework** (Q4 2026)
- Revision of the [Marine Spatial Planning Directive](#) – Expected, timeline to be confirmed
- **EU Maritime Industry Strategy** and **EU Ports Strategy**: Adoption planned for Q4 2025 (delayed)
- Circular Bio-based Europe Joint Undertaking and role of the regions in the Partnership
- Agroecology Partnership

## EVENTS TO BE MONITORED:

- [EU Ocean Days](#) | 2–6 March
  - Stakeholder consultations events on different Strategies: 3 March (Ocean R&I), Wednesday 4 March (Water Resilience R&I) and 6 March (Coastal development and resilience)
  - [Mission Ocean and Waters Forum](#) | 5 March. ERRIN will take part in the policy session focusing on the Ocean and Waters Mission evaluation and future funding for the EU Missions
  - From Actions to Impact: Tracking the Mission's Progress | Friday 6 March
- [Forests for resilient Water](#) | 23 April
- **ERIAFF Annual Conference** | May
- **Forum of the Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change** | May. ERRIN will participate and bring the regional perspectives to the Fifth Forum of the Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change, ensuring that the next steps reflect the needs and experiences of regional ecosystems.
- **EU Green Week** | 3–4 June
- **ERRIN event: Next Generation of Healthcare: Resilience and Circularity** | June
- **European Urban Resilience Forum (EURESFO)** | 17–19 June
- **ERRIN Natural Resources and Adaptation Cluster Study Visit**
- **ERRIN event: The Biotech Act II and Life Science Strategy: Bioindustry in the regions** | October
- **EU Mission Soil Week** | Q4
- **ERRIN Transport WG meeting: Preparedness of infrastructure and dual use** | Q4

## OPPORTUNITIES AND OUTPUTS IN ERRIN PROJECTS

### [CCRI](#)

2026 will mark the launch of the second phase of the Circular Cities and Regions Initiative (CCRI), opening up expanded opportunities for cities and regions to engage in the initiative. Building on the results and lessons learned from the initial phase, CCRI will move towards supporting implementation and upscaling of circular solutions across Europe. Policy-oriented multi-stakeholder dialogues will be organised, providing cities and regions with dedicated opportunities to contribute practical insights and policy recommendations in support of the EU Circular Economy Act, foreseen for publication in Q3 2026. The second phase of the CCRI will introduce new engagement opportunities for cities and



regions to become actively involved in the initiative, reinforcing its role as a key implementation instrument for circular economy policies at local and regional levels.

In parallel, CCRI-related Horizon Europe Cluster 6 calls for 2026–2027 will offer concrete funding opportunities for cities and regions to participate in and lead circular economy projects, further strengthening the role of local and regional authorities in delivering Europe’s circular transition.

### RESIST

In 2026, the RESIST project will deliver key outputs aligned with the EU Mission on Adaptation to climate change, including a transfer methodology for climate-related innovations already tested by the 12 RESIST regions, and several solutions, including NBS, Graphical Digital Twins, an online repository of solutions, a Multi-Hazard Early Warning System and site-specific impact warning systems.

ERRIN will also keep building collaborations with additional adaptation projects and managing the RESIST Community of Interest (CoI) to engage a diverse range of stakeholders from additional regions in sharing experiences and challenges. Through open webinars and workshops, the CoI will facilitate knowledge exchange and integrate tools developed with partners, fostering collaboration and mutual learning in climate adaptation.

### Pathways2Resilience

The second group of selected regions and communities benefiting from Pathways2Resilience support kicked off in January 2026. In the context of this second wave, an additional 60 regions and communities will receive sub-grants of up to €210 000 and technical support for an 18-month project period. The sub-grant must support work around the development of a climate resilience strategy, action plan, and accompanying investment plan, following the methodological framework developed by the Pathways2Resilience project.

Additionally, Innovation Practice Groups – interactive working groups designed to foster collaboration and strategic thinking among regions – will be established, with opportunities for additional regions to join (open not only to P2R benefiting regions). Through the Pathways2Resilience project, ERRIN will also facilitate the organisation of multi-level and multi-stakeholder stakeholder engagement workshops in selected countries.

### National Adaptation Hubs

The AdaptationHubs project aims to strengthen climate adaptation efforts by establishing 27 National Multilevel Governance Adaptation Hubs. These hubs bring together national expert organisations closely linked to their respective adaptation governance frameworks. AdaptationHubs will start by defining and implementing the 27 governance hubs, engaging key stakeholders and integrating existing structures. Each hub develops and executes an action plan, including five dedicated sessions tailored to national contexts. Peer-learning activities foster cross-border cooperation, while hubs focus on a multi-level governance approach, ensuring representation from all governance levels. The project also facilitates a twinning programme to enable targeted transnational exchanges.

## SOILL

SOILL is an EU-funded initiative supporting the deployment of the 100 Mission Soil Living Labs and Lighthouses (MHLLs/LHs) under the Horizon Europe Mission ‘A Soil Deal for Europe’. In 2026, SOILL will support regional and national stakeholders across Europe to apply for the 2026 Mission Soil calls on Living Labs and Lighthouses.

Within the project, ERRIN will lead the work on the SOILL Working Groups, dedicated online spaces targeting Mission Soil Living Labs and key stakeholders, including regions, to discuss challenges and best practice on three identified topics: a) Living Labs Foundations and Governance; b) Stakeholder Engagement in the Living Labs; c) Soil Biodiversity.

Additionally, stakeholders interested in benefitting from regular updates on SHLLs’ progresses and achievements can fill out this form. By joining the SOILL Community, stakeholders will be given the opportunity to access the [SOILL Hub](#), a centralised point of information on MSLLs and LHs, regular updates on progress and achievements. Finally, matchmaking tools for potential applicants to the Mission Soil calls, policy support documents and capacity-building programmes will be available.

## Mission Ocean and Waters Implementation Platform

The MIP Ocean Platform supports the European Commission's implementation by facilitating knowledge-sharing, communication and technical assistance across the Mission community monitors and evaluates progress in achieving mission objectives provides tools for collaboration and drives regional and local engagement through initiatives such as the Mission Charter. ERRIN is collecting information about support needs from regional and local stakeholders to shape the Mission’s services. ERRIN is outreaching to regional and local stakeholders, enhancing their understanding and engagement to submit their pledges through a compelling narrative and is supporting the assessment of the Charter's impact and proposes improvements to enhance its effectiveness.

## BlueActionBANOS (BAB)

BlueActionBANOS’ approach includes mobilising diverse communities to implement ocean restoration actions, providing them with targeted financial support, technical expertise and tools for sustainable transformation. The project has launched cascade funding calls open to local and regional stakeholders and communities in the Baltic and North Sea Lighthouse Area, to design transition agenda and implement community-led actions.

ERRIN contributes to the coordination and management of BlueActionBANOS, particularly through liaising with the EU Commission, Mission Secretariat and other relevant policy networks. ERRIN also supports the exchange of information and coordination with sister projects across lighthouse areas. Additionally, ERRIN is involved in preparing for open calls and supporting the design of technical assistance tools to help communities transition to sustainable practices.

## CO-WATERS

CO-WATERS is a Horizon Europe project running from 2025–2029, empowering waterfront cities, ports, regions and islands to lead the transition to clean, healthy, and resilient marine and freshwater systems. Through the Coalition of cities, ports, regions and islands for the Mission Ocean and Waters,

ERRIN members can access tailored services, such as networking, peer learning, trainings, citizen and stakeholder engagement, and funding advice, to help take effective action.

The Coalition brings together waterfront cities, ports, regions and islands committed to achieving the goals of the EU Mission 'Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030'. To support recognition of efforts in this space, the project will also develop the Mission Ocean and Waters Label, to be acquired by waterfront territories with strong and ambitious transition plan. ERRIN members have the opportunity to actively contributing to the design of this Label. Within this project ERRIN leads the preparatory work for building the Coalition of cities, ports regions and islands for the Mission Ocean and Waters. Its work includes a stakeholder mapping and outreach actions towards diverse actors from relevant EU Missions and the New European Bauhaus, ensuring coherence. ERRIN also supports the development of the Coalition's governance, ensures the continuous engagement of members, and contributes to work on policy recommendations.

## MORE INFORMATION: LEADERS AND PROJECTS

### Bioeconomy Working Group



The [Bioeconomy Working Group](#) focuses on strengthening the role of regions and stakeholders in shaping the European circular bioeconomy. It actively follows the Horizon Europe Mission Soil, addressing topics such as food systems, soil health, forestry, bioenergy, biowaste, bio-based products and circular economy in a broader sense.

This group promotes ecological sustainability and decarbonization through nature-based and blue-green solutions, aiming to enhance regional participation in Horizon Europe and the Circular Bio-based Europe Partnership by fostering partnerships with policymakers and stakeholders.

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**PROJECTS:** [Circular Cities and Regions Initiative \(CCRI\)](#) and [SOILL](#)

### Blue Economy Working Group



The [Blue Economy Working Group](#) drives advancements in research, innovation, and policy related to marine, maritime, and water systems. It addresses sustainability, economic development, climate adaptation, and digital transformation, aligning with key EU priorities such as S3 Partnerships (Water Smart Territories and Maritime Sustainable Blue Bioeconomy), the Horizon Europe Mission to Restore Our Ocean and Waters by 2030, and the anticipated European Water Resilience Strategy (2025). The group supports regional engagement in initiatives like Zero-Emission Waterborne Transport, Sustainable Blue Economy, and Water4All, where ERRIN actively contributes through its Advisory Board representation.

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**PROJECTS:** [Mission Ocean and Waters Implementation Platform](#), [CO-WATERS](#), [BlueActionBanos \(BAB\)](#)

## Climate Adaptation and Resilience Working Group



Climate adaptation, alongside resilience, has become a long-term strategic priorities for ERRIN members. In response, the Climate Adaptation Task Force was as of 2025 transitioned into a [Climate Adaptation and Resilience Working Group](#) leads' to address these themes more comprehensively and over the long term. The Working Group leads ERRIN's engagement with Mission Adaptation by supporting regional implementation and developing Mission-related projects. Its priorities are fostering regional roles in Mission Adaptation, monitoring the Mission implementation and maintaining dialogue with the Mission Secretariat, sharing evidence of how the Mission has supported regional adaptation efforts, highlighting lessons learned, assessing Mission support services and contributing to discussions on the future of the Mission. The Working Group also places a strong emphasis on resilience, focusing on strengthening regions' capacity to anticipate, absorb and recover from climate-related shocks and stresses.

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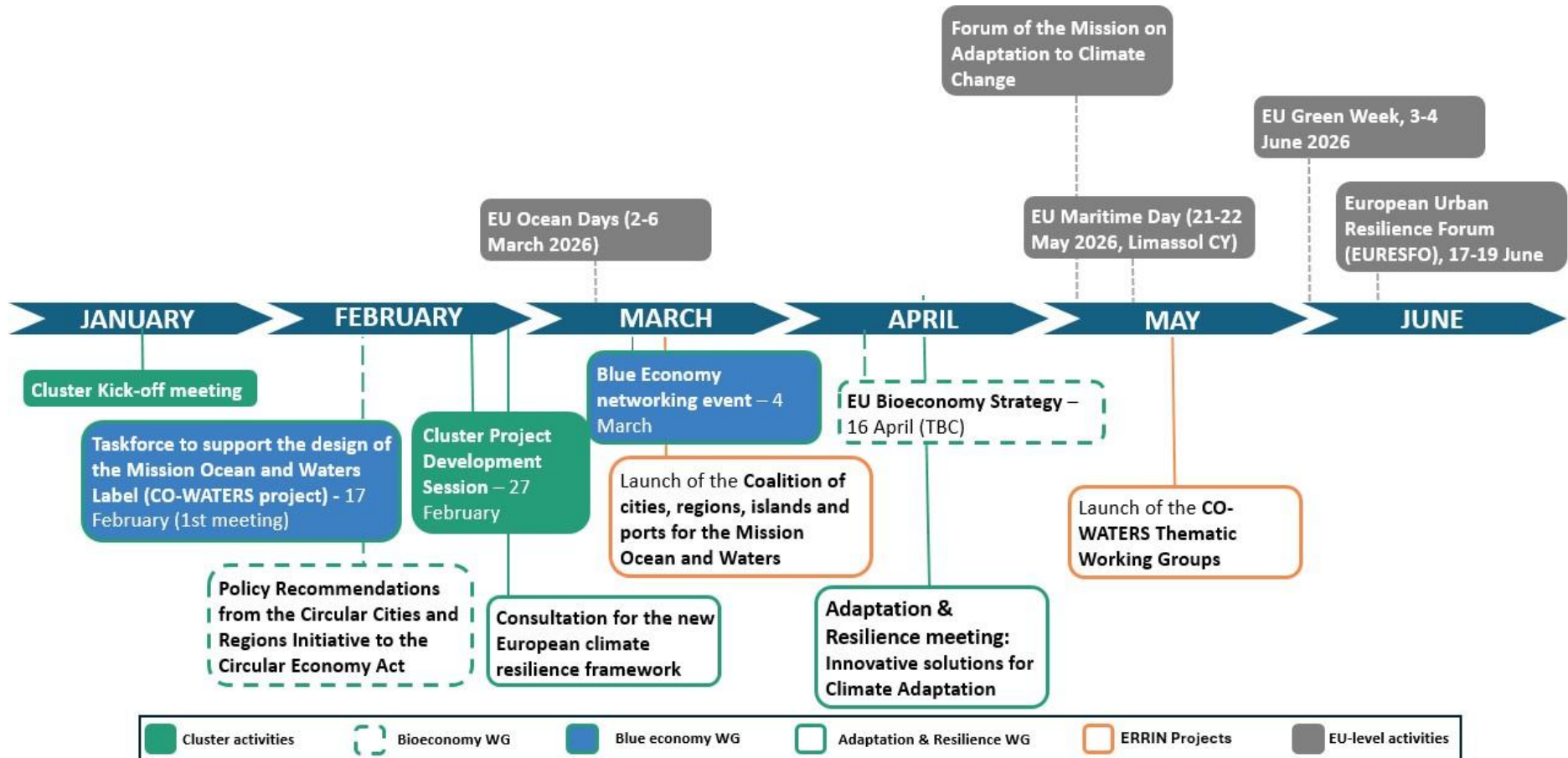
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