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**Tuesday 3
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14:00 - 15:30

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Türkiye towards COP31

Organized by: Invest in Türkiye

Language: English

Türkiye is actively advancing its environmental transformation in response to growing challenges related to climate change, resource efficiency, urbanization, and industrial development. The country is developing and modernizing its environmental technologies ecosystem across areas including water management, waste management, pollution control, and other climate-related solutions.

The conference will provide an overview of Türkiye's environmental technologies sector, with a particular focus on water technologies as well as waste management and recycling technologies. It will bring together representatives from Türkiye's public and private sectors to discuss the current market landscape, investment opportunities, ongoing and upcoming projects, and potential areas for international cooperation.

As Türkiye continues to align its environmental strategy with global sustainability goals, this conference offers a timely platform for stakeholders to exchange insights, explore partnerships, and identify concrete pathways for collaboration. Participants will leave with a clearer understanding of the opportunities emerging across Türkiye's environmental technologies sector — and the role international cooperation can play in shaping its future.

Session Chair

Valeria Giannotta, APRI Intl Board Member, CESPI Türkiye Observatory Director

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Türkiye Business Environment Overview

Gino Costa, Invest In Türkiye Country Advisor

Türkiye Green Economy, Role Model For Cop31

Alfredo Nocera, Invest In Türkiye Country Advisor

Türkiye Water Infrastructure

Director of General Directorate of State Hydraulic Works

Türkiye Water Efficiency Technologies And Investment Potential

Director of Min.of Agriculture And Forestry Water Management Gen.Directorate

Waste Management And Recycling Ecosystem In Türkiye

Vice President of Akademi Çevre

**Tuesday 3
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16:00 - 18:00

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Digital Product Passports for circular industries: from policy to implementation

Organized by: UNI (Ente Italiano di Normazione)

Language: English

Attendance to the event is open upon prior registration via the following link:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/mxng7zfn8B>

The Digital Product Passport (DPP) is becoming a cornerstone of the European transition towards a circular, transparent and sustainable economy. While regulatory requirements are rapidly evolving, industries face significant challenges in transforming data into trustworthy, interoperable and actionable information across complex value chains. The session will bring together representatives from industry, research, policy, standardization organizations and digital solution providers to discuss:

- *The evolving European DPP landscape;*
- *The role of data spaces and interoperability in DPP implementation;*
- *Lessons learned from sectors;*
- *The contribution of standards to scalable DPP deployment;*
- *Practical experiences in measuring sustainability and circularity performance.*

The event will include a closing poster session where researchers will showcase the results of their experience on data spaces for DPP; DPP sectoral application, with a focus on bio-based industries; circularity measurement.

During the poster session the vision and achievements of the biOSpaCE project, which is developing a new generation of Industry 4.0-enhanced Digital Product Passports connected to a Circular Economy Dataspace will be showcased. The project aims to enable secure sharing of sustainability and circularity information, support traceability of bio-based products, enhance transparency of environmental claims, and foster interoperability through standards and common frameworks.

The event will close with a networking aperitif.

Session Chairs

Cristina Di Maria and Dafne Sgarra, UNI Ente Italiano di Normazione

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16:00 *Welcome and Introduction: Why Digital Product Passports matter for Europe's Circular Economy*

Cristina Di Maria, UNI Ente Italiano di Normazione

16:10 *Keynote speech: the European Digital Product Passport legislative landscape*
Speaker TBD

16:30 *Standards as enablers of DPP deployment*
Speaker TBD

16:50 *Round table: demonstration session from policy to action*
Moderator:
Dafne Sgarra, UNI Ente Italiano di Normazione

17:25 *Poster session and networking aperitif*

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16:00 - 18:00

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Mediterranean Regions for Water Resilience: Territorial Solutions, Shared Priorities

Organized by: CPMR (Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions)

Language: English

The Dialogue4Innovation (D4I) Territorial Innovation Policy Lab (TIPLab) on Water Scarcity is a year-long, three-stage co-creation process linking Mediterranean regions and expert stakeholders to build shared EU-level advocacy on water resilience, following the Bologna Challenge Workshop (June 2026) and the online Solutions Webinar (September 2026).

This session gives two voices a dedicated stage and direct industrial/scientific relevance: Mediterranean regions present their own delivery-scale initiatives on water scarcity across two panels, then a closing roundtable of Mediterranean expert networks widens the lens into shared, basin-wide priorities feeding the Mediterranean Joint Policy Position on Water (finalised early 2027).

Session Chair

Francesco Camonita, CPMR-IMC

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16:00 Welcome & Framing

Francesco Camonita, CPMR-IMC

16:10 *Panel A - Non-Conventional Water Resources & Reuse*

Speakers:

Jordi Molist Gazapo, Catalan Water Agency, Catalonia (tbc)

Josette Zerafa, Ministry for Gozo, Malta (tbc)

Roberta Maria Rana, Apulian Water Authority, Puglia Region (tbc)

Jose Sandoval, Region of Murcia (tbc)

16:50 *Panel B - Water Demand Management & Efficiency*

Speakers:

Valentin Velez Palacio, Generalitat Valenciana (tbc)

Claudia Ziosi, Emilia-Romagna Region (tbc)

Frederique Cancel-Tonellot, Region Occitanie (tbc)

17:20 *Mediterranean Expert Roundtable - Networks & Advocacy Perspectives on Water Resilience*

Speakers:

Antonio Francisco Lopez Nicolas, MENBO - Mediterranean Network of Basin Organisations (tbc)

Manuel Sapiano, IME - Institut Mediterranéen de l'Eau (tbc)

Patrizia Bianconi, Regional Water Alliance (tbc)

17:50 Discussion, wrap-up and next steps

Francesco Camonita, CPMR-IMC

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Accelerating Industrial Decarbonisation: Connecting Manufacturing SMEs with Green Technology Solutions

Organized by: Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency

Language: English

Organized by the Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA) within the CREDIT4CE project, this interactive session will bring together manufacturing SMEs, green-technology and service providers, technical experts, innovation agencies and other stakeholders working towards climate-neutral and resource-efficient manufacturing.

The session will present key CREDIT4CE findings on the decarbonisation needs of manufacturing SMEs and introduce practical project activities, support opportunities and pathways available to companies and solution providers. It will address the main technical, financial and organisational barriers that can slow down the uptake of low-carbon solutions and explore topics such as energy efficiency, renewable energy integration, circular manufacturing, process optimisation, digitalisation and emissions management.

Particular attention will be given to connecting the needs of manufacturing companies with suitable technologies, expertise and feasible investment pathways that can help reduce emissions while maintaining productivity and competitiveness.

Through an interactive exchange between demand-side and supply-side actors, participants will discuss practical challenges, share technical knowledge and explore opportunities for cooperation and knowledge transfer. The session will create space for manufacturing companies, solution providers and experts to exchange perspectives and identify practical next steps that can support SMEs in their decarbonisation journeys.

By strengthening links between manufacturing companies, solution providers and experts, the session will contribute to cross-border cooperation, knowledge exchange and the wider uptake of practical decarbonisation solutions across European manufacturing SMEs.

Program

16.00 *Registration and welcome*

16.10 *Opening remarks and Introduction to the CREDIT4CE project*

Lucia Bogdányová, Jakub Jaroščák, Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency

16.30 *Findings on SME decarbonisation needs*

Elvin Fetahi, CONFEMI

16.50 *Green-tech solutions for low-carbon manufacturing*

Elisa Guasti, CLUSTER GREENTECH

Representatives of participating companies presenting best-practice examples TBD

17.10 *Discussion: From ambition to implementation*

Moderator: Elvin Fetahi, CONFEMI

17.45 *Closing remarks and next steps*

Lucia Bogdányová, Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency

**Friday 6
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10:00 - 13:00

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Connecting Territories, Industry and EU Policies for Critical Raw Materials bridging two European programming periods general framework

Organized by: Clust-ER MECH - Meccatronica e Motoristica

Language: English

Critical Raw Materials (CRM) are vital to Europe's industrial competitiveness, resilience, and strategic autonomy. Building on the I3 project CLOSER, this initiative explores how European policies, regional innovation ecosystems, and industrial value chains can collaborate to meet the objectives of the Critical Raw Materials Act and the Chips Act. Ahead of the next EU programming period, two complementary roundtables connect policy and industrial viewpoints to address priorities, needs, and future cooperation opportunities.

Program

10:10 *Institutional welcome and opening remarks by Session Chairs*

Session Chairs:

Representative of CLUST-ER MECH [TBD]

Representative of the Emilia-Romagna Region [TBD]

Italian Delegate for European Affairs [TBD]

10:45 Roundtable 1: From European strategies to regional action: shaping the next programming period

This session gathers EU institutions and regional authorities to discuss translating CRM priorities into effective territorial policies and funding instruments. Drawing on the current I3 programming cycle, the panel examines how interregional cooperation and regional innovation ecosystems can deliver EU industrial goals, identifying lessons learned, policy gaps, and priorities for the upcoming programming period.

Session Chairs:

Representative of the Emilia-Romagna Region [Regional Councilor or Director]

Representative of the Calabria Region [Regional Councilor or Director]

Representative of the Lazio Region [Regional Councilor or Director]

MASE Representative (Ministry of Environment and Energy Security)

EISMEA Representative (European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency)

DG GROW (Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs)

12:00 Roundtable 2: From strategic priorities to industrial value chains: needs, opportunities and cooperation

Focusing on the industrial ecosystem—from recovery and recycling to downstream end-users—this panel addresses the practical hurdles of securing, recycling, and valorising CRM. Businesses and regional policymakers will discuss technological gaps, investment barriers, market conditions, and circular supply chains to align industrial needs with regional capabilities and EU strategy.

Session Chairs:

Speakers and companies TBD