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Marine Resources



Challenge

Linear
Economy
Practices

Resource
Depletion

Stakeholder
Conflict

Lack of
Coordination

Aquaculture
Planning

Circularity

To face

To achieve

Main goal

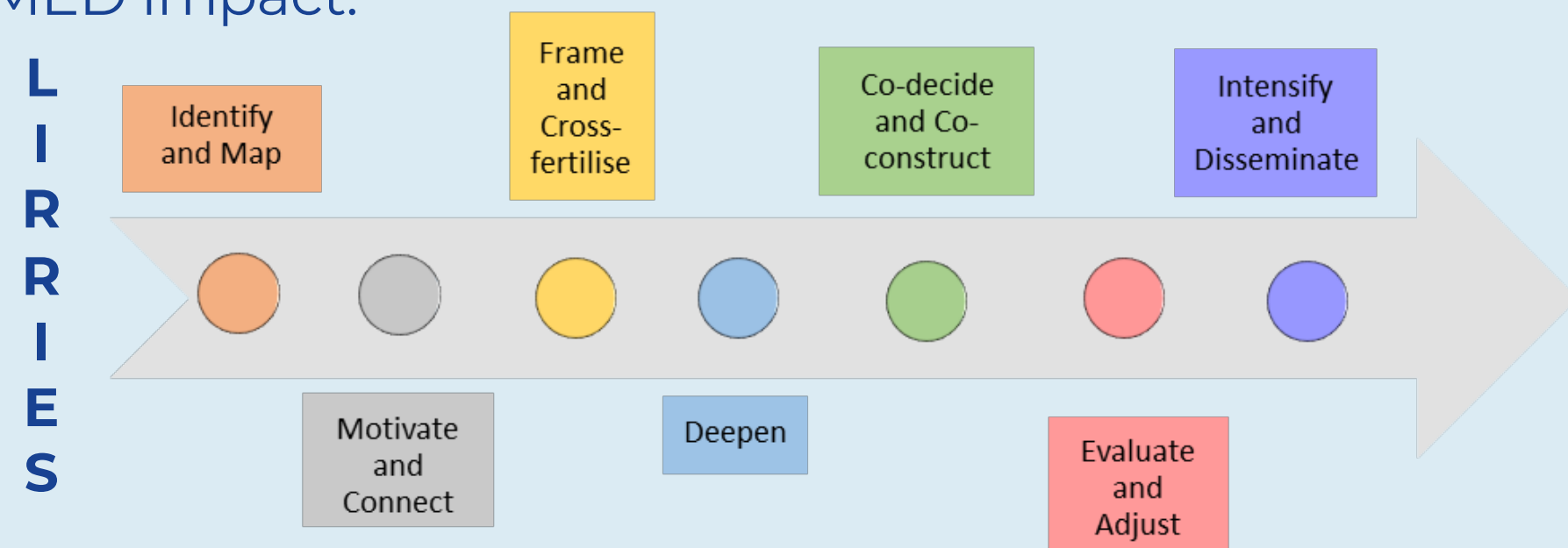
The AZA4ICE Project **promotes sustainable, circular aquaculture** in the Euro-Mediterranean area through transnational cooperation and **innovative spatial planning in coastal and inland waters**. By engaging stakeholders and developing Action Plans, it fosters *dialogue, business opportunities*, and *eco-consciousness*. The project supports shifting from a linear economy to circular practices, benefiting public authorities, businesses, and academia.

Project outputs

- AZA4ICE methodology for circular aquaculture spatial planning embedded with innovative circular production systems
- Living Responsible Research Innovation Ecosystems (LiRRIE) methodology
- AZA4ICE Action Plans for the transition to an Inclusive and Circular Economy in aquaculture sector

Approach and regional scope

AZA4ICE's transnational design, involving eight Euro-MED countries, addresses **shared aquaculture challenges**. It unites **diverse stakeholders to drive a circular economy** in the sector. Developing a common methodology and LiRRIEs requires cross-border collaboration. The project fosters knowledge transfer, capacity building, and inter-regional strategies, yielding local action plans and CE indexes for widespread Euro-MED impact.



Main achievements

- Implementation of **Allocated Zones for Circular Aquaculture (C-AZA)** and innovative ecosystem aquaculture spatial planning approaches in **8 pilot areas** across participating countries, promoting an inclusive and circular economy.
- **Creation of Living Responsible Research and Innovation Ecosystems (LiRRIEs)** to foster stakeholder engagement and ensure co-created strategies for aquaculture development.
- Development of **AZA4ICE Action Plans** that support sustainable aquaculture, enhance economic growth, preserve the environment, and improve the quality of life across the Euro-Mediterranean region.

Conclusion

AZA4ICE advances the sector by pioneering **circular aquaculture spatial planning in close-to-coast and inland waters**, providing transferable solutions that promote sustainability and resilience within Euro-Mediterranean communities.

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