

## **MOTORWAYS OF THE SEA**

### **TEN-T 2005 PROJECT**

## **WESTERN EUROPE SEA TRANSPORT AND MOTORWAYS OF THE SEA (SPAIN, FRANCE, IRELAND, ITALY)**

The project proposal aims to make progress with the preparation and implementation of Motorways of the sea corridors in the Western area of Europe (West and South West European sea areas) and to provide a platform for co-ordination for the development of the Western European and South-Western European corridors of the Motorways of the sea, involving the key stakeholders in these corridors. The project will be subdivided into different work packages as follows:

- French-Spanish motorways of the sea

The objective of this work package is to provide assistance to Member States (France and Spain) for the selection of motorways of the sea project(s) through a joint call for proposals in accordance with the TEN-T Regulation.

- WEST-MOS Studies

Three more detailed studies that prepare the ground for the consolidated report:

- i. Market study, focussing on the transport to and from Spain
- ii. Technical studies to establish requirements of freight management systems, vessel and cargo traffic monitoring systems, safety and environmental requirements and inland infrastructure for operating Motorways of the sea.
- iii. Practical studies, at micro level for eleven specific potential maritime links between possible candidate Motorways of the Sea ports.

- Basis for a Master Plan

This work package will lay the basis for the preparation of the Master plans for the Motorways of the sea in the Western Europe and South-West Europe corridors of the Motorways of the sea. It consist of two activities, one extracting from the more detailed

analysis the general conclusions for the preparation and implementation of the Motorways of the sea and one to ensure that all relevant stakeholders adhere to the results of the project.