

TouMaLi 3rd International Conference

Autumn 2025

Hammam Sousse, Tunisia

TouMaLi 2025: Project Insights and Forward Paths on Sustainable Tourism, Waste Solutions and Litter Prevention

First day	
08:00 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 09:45	Session 1 (Opening session): Welcome and opening words
09:45 – 10:00	TouMaLi video 1 – Highlights of the TouMaLi project: Outcomes, challenges and the way forward
10:00 – 10:30	Group photo & coffee break
10:30 – 13:00	Session 2: Brief presentation of the most important results and outcomes of the TouMaLi Project
10:30 – 11:00	Results of the TouMaLi project from Egypt <i>Pr. Alaa Abd El Bary, Vice President & Dr. Gasser Hassan, Project Manager, Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport, AASTMT, Egypt</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Results of the TouMaLi project from Morocco <i>Pr. Mohamed Hafidi & Pr. Loubna El Fels Cadi Ayyad University, Morocco</i>
11:30 – 12:00	Results of the TouMaLi project from Tunisia <i>Mr. Fadhel Mhiri, & Ms. Lilia Ben Abdallah Tunis International Center for Environmental Technologies, CITET, Tunisia</i>
12:00 – 13:00	Open discussion and Q&A
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 17:00	Session 3: Integrating sound waste Management and sustainable tourism in the Mediterranean: Insights from TouMaLi
14:30 – 14:50	Insights from the monitoring and mapping of coastal pollution: Findings from the TouMaLi project and impacts on marine litter mitigation <i>IOW, Germany</i>
14:50 – 15:10	Towards a Litter-Free Mediterranean: Leveraging communication and showcasing Best practices in the HoReCa sector through TouMaLi in Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia <i>adelphi, Germany</i>
15:10 – 15:30	Towards sustainable waste management: Contributions and proposals for Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia <i>BlackForest Solutions, Germany</i>
15:30 – 15:50	Analysis of existing policies related to EPR in Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia <i>Landbell, Germany</i>
15:50 – 16:10	Innovative local approaches to plastic and waste management: Strategies for impact <i>University of Rostock, Germany</i>
16:10 – 16:30	Open discussion
16:30 – 17:00	Summary & closure of day 1

Second Day	
09:00 – 10:30	Session 4: Regional and Mediterranean policies and programs on plastic pollution and marine litter
09:00 – 09:15	Supporting blue and green economy/coastal tourism and ecosystem protection: The UfM “2030GreenerMed Agenda” <i>Water and Environment Division, Secretary of the Union for Mediterranean, Spain</i>
09:15 – 09:45	EU programs to combat plastic pollution in the Mediterranean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU/ Water and Environment Support - Biodiversity and Climate Action (WES/BCA) • EU/Interreg Next Med - New Initiatives waste and plastic management in the new program Interreg Next Med programme • Green Forward - Advancing policy frameworks in the Mediterranean
09:45 – 10:00	UNEP Actions and programs to combat plastic pollution in the Mediterranean, <i>Representative of UNEP, Tunisia</i>
10:00 – 10:15	World Bank initiatives and programs to combat plastic pollution in the Mediterranean / Towards Mediterranean sustainable economy in the Mediterranean (MENA Blue) » <i>Representative of the WB</i>
10:15 – 10:30	Open discussion and introduction to the World Cafe
10:30 – 11:15	Session 5 (World Cafe): Transforming TouMaLi’s results into sustainable actions for the future – Exploring the way forward
11:15 – 13:00	Session 6: Tackling plastic pollution and marine litter in the Mediterranean – Policies, national programs, and EPR strategies
11:15 – 11:45	German cooperation programs (BMUV/BMZ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiatives and programs to combat plastic pollution in the Mediterranean <i>Representative of BMUV/ZUG</i> • GIZ/MedWaves HAPI CHECK programme in Djerba <i>Representative of Med Waves and/or GIZ</i> • GIZ actions on green and circular economy (Jordan and Tunisia) <i>Representative of GIZ</i>
11:45 – 12:15	ANGED and APAL actions on tackling plastic waste, marine litter and for beach monitoring in the coastal areas of Tunisia
12:15 – 12:30	Beyond Plastic Med: “For a Mediterranean free plastic’s free ” <i>Representative of BeMed (or an initiative of case study from a hotel)</i>
12:30 – 12:45	PROMAR Project: Presentation of blue box tools and exploration of synergies with the TouMali project <i>Evita Hegmann (consultant), adelphi</i>
12:45 – 13:00	Open discussion and Q&A

13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 16:00	Session 7 (Closing session): Appropriation and consolidation of TouMaLi - The way forward
14:30 – 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Outcomes of the Word Café “Transforming TouMaLi’s results into sustainable actions for the future – Exploring the way forward”</i>• <i>Looking ahead: The future of TouMaLi and what comes next</i> <i>University of Rostock and the Consortium partners</i>
16:00 - 16:30	Closing words