M7 – Completion of stakeholder consultation for the action plan

INNO2MARE has reached an important milestone in fostering **collaboration and strategic planning** across the **Slovenian and Croatian innovation ecosystems**. This milestone focused on stakeholder engagement, feedback collection, and laying the foundation for the **Joint Action and Investment Plan (JAIP)**.

Key Activities and Achievements

1. Stakeholder Consultations

- Conducted **two consultations** with stakeholders from the Slovenian and Croatian ecosystems.
- Presented and discussed the Joint Action and Investment Plan with ecosystem actors.
- Gathered insights to ensure the JAIP reflects ecosystem needs and priorities.

2. Online Feedback Collection

- Developed an **online questionnaire** to gather structured feedback from stakeholders.
- Collected responses helped refine strategies and identify priority actions.

3. Virtual Engagement Event

- Held an online Teams event to discuss relevant topics and provide practical guidelines for improvement.
- Encouraged active participation and fostered constructive dialogue among stakeholders and project partners.

4. Foundation for the Joint Action and Investment Plan

- Activities, along with ecosystem mapping and the development of the Joint Research
 & Innovation (R&I) strategy, form the backbone of the JAIP.
- The JAIP will guide future investments, strategic initiatives, and collaborative projects in both ecosystems.

Impact and Outlook

- Milestone 7 aligns strategic priorities between the Croatian and Slovenian innovation ecosystems.
- Stakeholder engagement ensures that the JAIP is **inclusive**, **actionable**, **and responsive** to ecosystem needs.
- This milestone sets the stage for **future collaboration**, **knowledge exchange**, **and innovation-driven development** across the Adriatic region.