Coalition of European Ramsar Regional Initiatives

Both regional initiatives also support proposal of the <u>Mediterranean Wetlands Initiative</u> (MedWet) to establish European Coalition of RRIs to strengthen the impact of Ramsar Convention at European level. CWI and WILDisland were invited to actively participate in the COP14 side event *Animation of the European Regional Ramsar Initiatives network*, organized on 8 November 2022 evening. The report of the side event can be found here.

Cooperation, synergies and networking is one of the main basics of the CWI and plans to continue in collaboration with partner organisations, Ramsar Working Group on RRIs and other RRIs in Europe and globally.

Closer and harmonized work can

- enhance the Ramsar Convention's visibility and synergies with other MEAs (including regional conventions) and in policy processes;
- to learn from best practice from different initiatives, knowledge exchange;
- to enforce the position of the Ramsar Convention and RRIs in the strategies and policies of the EU, including its macroregional strategies, of the Bern Convention, in transnational programmes for wetlands as nature-based solutions;
- enhance the involvement of relevant stakeholders from local, national, regional and international levels.



Side event on European Coalition of Ramsar Regional Initiatives, Photo: MedWet



Side event on European Coalition of RRIs, Photo: Ján Kadlečík