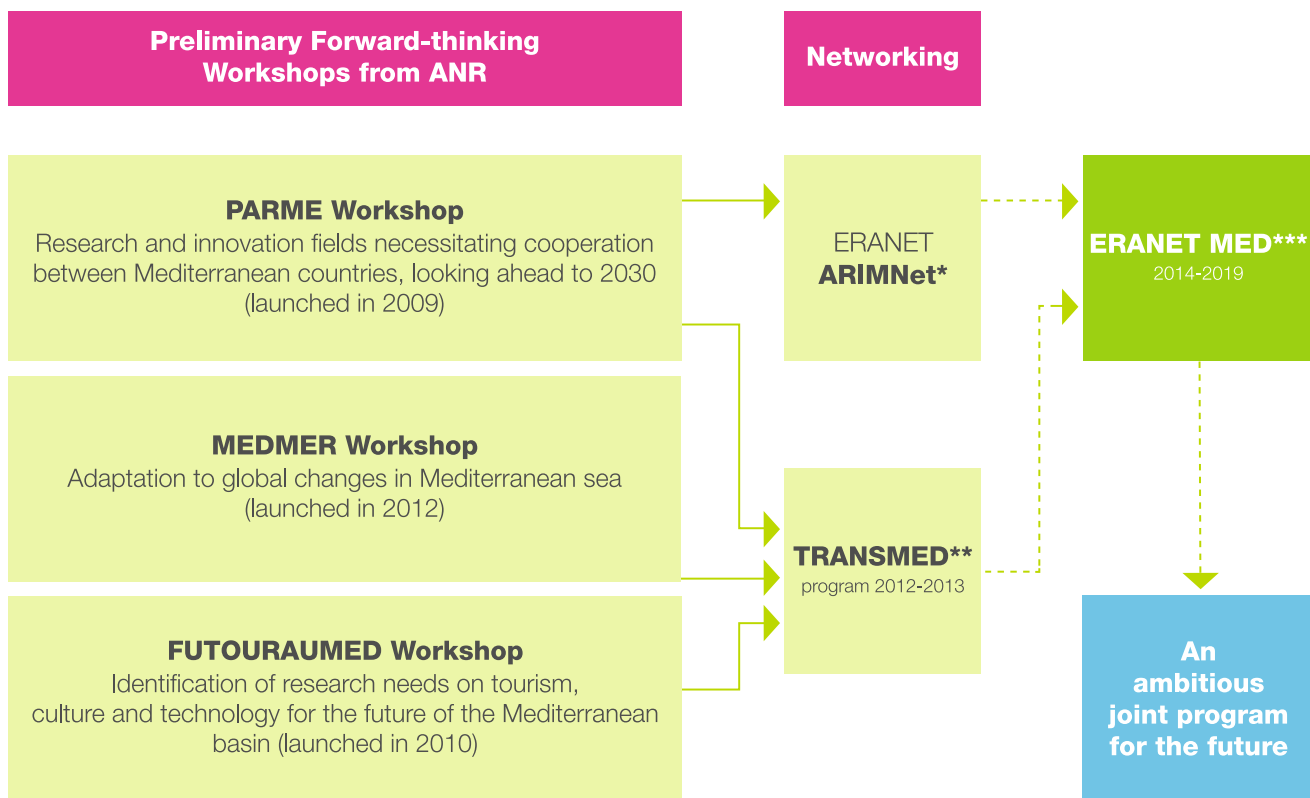


FUNDING RESEARCH FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN: WHICH STRATEGY AND THE WAY FORWARD

- **ANR funds research projects**, based on competitive schemes, paving the way for ground breaking new knowledge, including transnational cooperation.
- In collaboration with many north and south partners, ANR supports **research strategy for Mediterranean area**, being involved in different initiatives: **ARIMNet*** and **TRANSMED****.
- Mediterranean Basin faces huge challenges resulting from **global and societal changes**.
- It is therefore necessary to promote regional transnational collaborative research on **sustainable development in agricultural production, food security, health, energy, territories, soil and water, cultures and societies, and management of natural resources**.
- These issues need to be identified and addressed through a stronger **scientific cooperation** between **all the countries of the Mediterranean area** and with the **European Union (EU)**.

PARTNERSHIP AND NETWORKING FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN: INVOLVEMENT OF ANR AND EU



What is an ERANET ?

ERA-NET is an instrument of EU policy to develop and strengthen the coordination of national and regional research programs.



The Article 185 initiatives

Articles 185 of the Treaty of Lisbon enables the EU to participate in new joint research programs undertaken by several member states, and to support the integration of national research activities that goes beyond coordination. The EU provides financial support out of the Framework Program funds.

* **ARIMNet** (Agricultural Research In the Mediterranean Network), funded by the European Union and coordinated by INRA (France), aims at coordinating National Agricultural Research programs. ARIMNet launched a call in 2008 for **joint transnational research**.

** **TRANSMED** (Transdisciplinary Research on the Future of the Mediterranean) is an ANR program launched in 2012. The aim of this ANR program is to improve significantly the knowledge of the future interactions between societies and environments throughout the Circum Mediterranean

*** Next step: ERANET MED...

The **ERANET MED** responds to strategic and political statements for reinforcing **Euro-Mediterranean cooperation** on research and innovation by supporting competitive research, innovation clustering, capacity building and mobility.

<http://www.arimnet.net/>

<http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/programmes-de-recherche/environnement-et-ressources-biologiques/>