

NEWSLETTER JANUARY- JUNE 2026

SIX MONTHS OF ACTION FOR MORE RESILIENT COASTS

From **Gran Canaria to Brussels**, the first half of 2026 has been marked by **collaboration, innovation and international outreach for LIFE COSTAdapta**. Discover the key milestones that are helping build more resilient coastal communities across Europe.



ABOUT US

LIFE COSTAdapta is a €2.5 million project co-funded by the EU LIFE Programme. The project is developing an innovative model inspired by the Canary Islands' tidal pools to help coastal communities adapt to sea level rise while protecting marine ecosystems and enhancing biodiversity.

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16 JANUARY 2026

Climate Governance Scenarios Workshop at the Land-Sea Interface

We contributed to discussions on **future coastal adaptation** pathways during the BLUE GREEN GOVERNANCE workshop, helping advance collaborative approaches to climate governance, resilience planning and long-term responses to sea level rise.



Gran Canaria, Spain



Brussels, Belgium

3 FEBRUARY, 2026

3rd European Blue Economy Conference

The project took part in this **leading European forum on the blue economy**, showcasing its nature-based solutions for coastal resilience and climate adaptation. **Represented by the Finnova Foundation**, the consortium engaged with key stakeholders, strengthened strategic partnerships, and contributed to discussions shaping **the future of the European Ocean Pact**.

9 MARCH 2026

European Ocean Days 2026

Connected with leading **European institutions and marine data networks** during the European Ocean Days in Brussels, fostering **new synergies in ocean governance**, ocean observation and nature-based solutions for coastal resilience.

Brussels, Belgium



26 MARCH 2026

Citizen participation strengthens coastal adaptation efforts in LIFE COSTAdapta

We strengthened **collaboration with local stakeholders** to bring climate adaptation closer to coastal communities in **Gran Canaria**. In a **working meeting between Fundación Finnova and Welcome to San Borondón**, we advanced communication and participation strategies to support engagement, **improve project understanding**, and foster active involvement in coastal resilience actions.

Gran Canaria, Spain



22 APRIL 2026

Global Sustainable Islands Summit 2026 (GSIS 2026)

We took part in the **Global Sustainable Islands Summit 2026 (GSIS 2026)** in Gran Canaria, an international forum on island sustainability, climate action, and resilience.

Patricia Caro Ruiz (ULPGC), technical coordinator of the project, led official field visits to key sites across the island, including:

- Spanish Bank of Algae,
- Salto de Chira energy storage system
- ATH Bioenergy
- Maspalomas Dunes



Some of our communication outputs

Gran Canaria, Spain



10 JUNE 2026

PHAROS, Round table

We took part in the **PHAROS "Permitting Challenges & Opportunities"** in Gran Canaria. Representing the project, **Patricia del Mar Caro (ULPGC)** presented it as a nature-based coastal adaptation, highlighting key barriers for blue economy projects, including complex permitting, fragmented governance and the need for more agile innovation frameworks.

LOOKING AHEAD

LIFE COSTADAPTA AT THE MACRO-REGIONAL & SEA BASIN STRATEGIES DAYS 2026 IN BRUSSELS

On 8–9 July 2026, we will participate in the Macro-regional & Sea Basin Strategies Days 2026 at **SQUARE Brussels Meeting Centre**.



OUR PARTICIPATION AT EUREGIONSWEEK 2026 IN BRUSSELS

On 12–14 October 2026, we will participate in the **EURegionsWeek** in Brussels, **sharing the project with EU policymakers, institutions and stakeholders from across Europe**.



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Looking ahead to the second half of 2026, LIFE COSTAdapta will keep working towards more **resilient coastlines by promoting collaboration, innovation and nature-based solutions**.
Thank you for following our journey!

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