



Press Release

## **The new 24 ORE NextMed platform enters its full multimedia dimension.**

***The Il Sole 24 ORE Group is shining a permanent strategic spotlight on the future of the Wider Mediterranean.***

On June 22, the digital hub **24orenxtmed.com** launches online with exclusive content in Italian, English, and Arabic.

On June 24, the podcast “Codename” debuts, followed on June 25 by the video series “Borders” on IlSole24OreTV.

June 22, 2026 marks the beginning of the full multimedia development of **24 ORE NextMed**, the editorial and strategic platform created by the Il Sole 24 ORE Group to report on and interpret the evolving development trajectories of the Wider Mediterranean.

The launch of the dedicated website, **24orenxtmed.com**, introduces a multilingual editorial hub **available in Italian, English, and Arabic**, designed to broaden the reach of its content and engage an international audience. Complementing the coverage already established in the newspaper on June 9, the platform will provide a continuous flow of updates on the key issues shaping the Euro-Mediterranean region, strengthening an information presence that extends beyond traditional boundaries.

Building on these foundations, **24 ORE NextMed** evolves into a multi-platform ecosystem spanning all channels of the Il Sole 24 ORE Group—from **print to digital, from infographics to radio and the Radiocor news agency**—with the goal of delivering continuous and structured coverage of the geopolitical, economic, and technological dynamics affecting the Wider Mediterranean. The initiative expands through an editorial schedule featuring **exclusive, highly specialized, and high-value content, distinctive formats** suited to every consumption context, and initiatives that place key stakeholders at the center while actively engaging the broader business community.

**Competitiveness, education, security, finance, and internationalization** are among the topics that will shape the daily editorial coverage of **24orenxtmed.com**, through interviews, analyses, and industrial policy insights; major projects such as Global Gateway and IMEC; and in-depth country-specific reports. The focus goes beyond geopolitics to encompass industrial development and business opportunities. Topics include Tunisia’s water reform and the international players driving it, Morocco’s aerospace sector, Egypt’s cyber capabilities and market opportunities, as well as critical infrastructure and investments in cold-chain logistics and pharmaceuticals linking the Gulf, the EU, and the Maghreb. The platform will also provide ongoing monitoring of developments in the underwater domain, ports, and their impact on businesses and citizens alike. To mark the launch, a special feature on the critical infrastructure of the Mediterranean Sea, developed

in collaboration with **Lab24**, Il Sole 24 Ore's visual journalism division, will also be published.

Several of these topics will also feed into the **platform's multimedia** offerings.

The **audio component** will take shape through a series of **podcasts**, beginning on June 24 with the first episode of "**Codename: Stories, Technologies and Intrigue from the Dark Side of International Politics**," hosted by Claudio Antonelli, Deputy Director of 24 ORE NextMed, together with Antonio Talia, co-author of *Nessun luogo è lontano*, Radio 24's foreign affairs program. Produced by 24 ORE NextMed and Radio 24, the podcast will be available on the website, the Radio 24 app, [ilsole24ore.com](http://ilsole24ore.com), [24orepodcast.com](http://24orepodcast.com), major audio platforms, and the 24 ORE NextMed website. The eight-episode series explores **international security issues** by connecting politics, innovation, economic balances, and intelligence, shedding light on the less visible dynamics that shape these fields. Through expert contributions and a structured narrative, it examines the main security threats—from energy routes to critical infrastructure, from cyber warfare dynamics to underwater operations—while also exploring potential technological solutions. The first episode, dedicated to the "shadow fleet," introduces some of the most opaque dynamics behind emerging geopolitical balances.

Beginning on June 25, the **television dimension** will also take shape with the new series "**Borders: Where the World Changes**," broadcast on **IlSole24OreTV** and hosted by Simone Spetia, journalist and presenter of *24 Mattino* on Radio 24. The program, consisting of 12 weekly episodes, aims to explore places where different systems come into contact and generate economic and social tensions, providing viewers with tools to better understand complex phenomena. From migration to strategic routes, from energy infrastructure to technological competition, the series travels across the key scenarios of the Mediterranean and the new global rivalries, identifying borders as the places where future balances are being reshaped. The first episode focuses on Suez, the Mediterranean, Hormuz, and Greenland, highlighting the strategic role of maritime routes.

Alongside its editorial and multimedia production, the 24 ORE NextMed project is built on a strong strategic dimension embodied by the permanent **observatory "At the Center of the Mediterranean – Bahr al-Abyad"**, conceived as a stable forum for dialogue and the development of a shared vision. Targeted at **companies, institutions, universities, foundations, associations, and financial operators**, the Observatory is designed to bring together expertise and perspectives, contributing to the definition of a strategic agenda for the future of the Mediterranean through regular closed-door meetings dedicated to geopolitical and economic scenario analysis, the sharing of best practices, and the identification of common development trajectories.

24 ORE NextMed thus positions itself as an innovative system that **combines information, specialization, analysis, and networking**, extending the role of the Il Sole 24 ORE Group beyond the traditional boundaries of publishing.