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Summary
<p>The MarSP project intends to engage stakeholders from the beginning of the process, considering the various stages of the maritime spatial planning process in Macaronesian regions, and applying methodologies in line with European ethics guidelines and requirements.</p> <p>The Autonomous Region of Madeira is a pioneer in the process of maritime spatial planning in Macaronesia, and the spatial plan developed over the last three years has already been submitted and waits to be approved.</p> <p>Taking advantage of this condition and once Regional Government of Madeira want to do the revision of the Situation Plan in the next five or six years, it's important the continuous integration of the stakeholders in this process. In this way, will be developed during these years, several meetings with the stakeholders of each activity. The first meeting was dedicated to aggregate's extraction activity who has a large importance for the Regional economy. The second meeting (3rd workshop) will be dedicated to the big game fishing and recreational fishing activity.</p>

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List of acronyms

ARM	Autonomous Region of Madeira
DROTA	Direção Regional do Ordenamento do Território e Ambiente

1. Introduction

This report will describe the 3rd workshop developed in the Autonomous Region of Madeira (ARM), as part as project MarSP – *Macaronesia Maritime Spatial Planning*, work package 2 – *Mapping the current conditions and creating a vision for the MSP in Macaronesia* in the Task 2.1. *Stakeholders Engagement*.

In the process of maritime spatial planning, the stakeholders are an important key element once they are the principal actors in the maritime space. This way, it's important to ensure they have an active participation.

Regarding to the process of maritime spatial planning, the Autonomous Region of Madeira (ARM) is at an advanced stage when compared with the other regions of Macaronesia, the Region decided to do some sectorial meetings.

The process of maritime spatial planning was developed by the *Situation Plan of Maritime Spatial Planning*. This plan presents itself as the present and potential portrait of the regional maritime space through the representation and identification of the spatial and temporal distribution of existing and potential uses and activities and the recognition of the natural and cultural values with strategic relevance for the environmental sustainability and intergenerational solidarity. It is currently waiting for approval by the Government of Portugal through the Council of Ministers.

The Situation Plan was quite participative, with diverse stakeholders composed by representatives appointed by the various public bodies with responsibility in the areas of the sea, the environment, nature conservation and the sectors of uses or activities developed in the maritime space, as well, as a representative appointed by the Association of Municipalities.

The stakeholders were an important element in the process of the maritime spatial planning once they collaborated actively through the sending of contributions considering their actuation area. These contributions included the activities or uses areas in the maritime space, marine protected areas and projects or plans that developed in the maritime space. They also contributed positively for the resolution of conflicts between uses and activities.

In this way, having in consideration the goals of the task 2.1. *Strategy Engagement* and the report develop by the task leader with the dynamics that needed to be developed, doesn't make sense duplicate the work have already done. However, it will make sense, the continuous involvement of stakeholders for a future review of the *Situation Plan*. This will permit the active participation in the process and making decisions that are coherent and that can give a more adequate response to the interested parties, promote the maritime economy and at the same time, protect the ecosystem.

This will be developed through sectorial meetings with the Regional sectors. For this Task, it will be developed two workshops/sectorial meetings: the first one was addressed to the aggregate's extraction and the second one aims to address the big game fishing and the recreational fishing activity. This report is the result of the second sectorial meeting.

2. Purpose

The big game fishing and recreational fishing activity has some expression in the Region in economic and social terms. Unfortunately, the data about this activity, is very scarce. With this workshop is intended to reinforce the knowledge about the following themes:

- Fishing gear used,
- Economic and social statistical data,
- Touristic and sportive importance,
- Licence quantification,
- Geographical spatialization of the activity,
- Fish species characterization and catch quantification;
- Constraints/conflicts arising from the activity;
- Methodologies and conclusions from scientific monitoring and surveys;
- Suggestions and potential improvements.

This workshop will permit to collect new information about the status of this activity in the perspective of the stakeholders and explain the importance of the continuous participation on the process of the maritime spatial planning.

3. Workshop detailed agenda

The 3rd stakeholder's engagement workshop (Task 2.1) was held on Madeira Island on the October 9th and took into consideration the current state of the Region in relation to maritime spatial planning.



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MACARONESIAN MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING – *workshop com grupos de trabalho – Big game fishing e pesca desportiva*

Data: 9 de outubro de 2019

Hora: 14:30 – 16:30

Local: Auditório do Edifício do Campo da Barca, Rua Dr. Pestana Júnior, n^o 6, 9064 – 506 Funchal

Ordem de trabalhos:

14:30 – Projeto MarSP e Ordenamento do Espaço Marítimo Regional (DROTA: Ara Oliveira ou Isabel Lopes)

14:45 – Pesca lúdica embarcada e correspondente legislação e Instrumentos normativos europeus, nacionais e regionais (DRP: Nuno Gouveia ou João Delgado)

15:00 – Monitorização de recursos marinhos: o *big game fishing* no arquipélago da Madeira (DRP: Lúcia Gouveia)

15:15 – O futuro da pesca lúdica embarcada na Região - discussão com os interessados:

- Artes utilizadas;
- Importância económica e social;
- Importância turística e desportiva

- Quantificação de licenças – Embarcações registadas para recreio ou atividade marítimo-turística
- Especialização geográfica da atividade;
- Caracterização das espécies de pescado e quantificação das capturas;
- Constrangimentos/Conflitos;
- Metodologias e conclusões advindas da monitorização científica e inquéritos;
- Sugestões e potenciais melhorias

16:30 – Encerramento

Figure 1 - Workshop agenda.

Table 1 – Workshop agenda.

Presentation: <i>MarSP</i> project objectives
Presentation: Recreational fishing and related European, National and Regional legislation and normative instruments
Presentation: Marine Resources Monitoring: Big Game Fishing in the Madeira Archipelago
Debate: The future of playful fishing in the Region - discussion with stakeholders.

This workshop was attended by speakers who are directly related to the subject of the maritime spatial planning, recreational fishing and big game fishing.

Table 2 – Speakers in workshop presentations

Speakers	Role	Topic covered
Isabel Lopes	DROTA Technician and MarSP advisory board	Maritime spatial planning: Situation Plan
Nuno Gouveia	Regional Secretariat of Agriculture and Fisheries - Regional Fisheries Directorate	Recreational fishing
Lídia Gouveia	Regional Secretariat of Agriculture and Fisheries - Regional Fisheries Directorate	Big game fishing

4. Biographical notes

In the next table is some biographical notes about the speakers in this workshop. These speakers have experience in the maritime spatial planning process.

Table 3 – Biographical notes of the speakers.

	Name	Biographical Notes
	Isabel -Lopes	<p>Isabel Lopes holds a degree in Geography and Regional Planning and a Master's in Territory Management from New University of Lisbon. She has carried out several works in the area of maritime spatial planning and the sea cluster, which resulted in the master's thesis, Proposal for the constitution of a Sea Cluster in the Autonomous Region of Madeira and the role played by maritime spatial planning, as well as some papers and oral communications. It was also responsible for the elaboration of the Situation Plan for maritime spatial planning (subdivision of Madeira) and is currently working on the creation of metadata for the sea area under the PLASMAR project.</p>
	Nuno Gouveia	<p>Nuno Gouveia has a Masters degree in Biology from the Faculty of Sciences at the University of Lisbon in 1991. He was responsible for the field production at a private company producing Protea species as a cut flower from 1986 to 1988. Nuno was a biology teacher from 1988 to 1996 and worked at the Natural Park of Madeira from 1994 to 1995. From 1996 to 2002 he has gained experience on off-shore aquaculture at the Marine Aquaculture Division and was the Head of the Fisheries Service Inspections from 2004 to 2012. Currently, he is the head of 'Direção de Serviços de Controle da Actividade da Pesca e Mercados' at the Madeira Fisheries Directorate. Nuno's main areas of interest are Fisheries control and management, emergent marine biotoxins, nature conservation, sustainable development of marine resources and off shore aquaculture.</p>
	Lídia Gouveia	<p>Lídia Gouveia currently works at the Research Laboratory of the Fisheries Directorate of Madeira Government. Lídia does research in Marine Biology, Biostatistics and Ecology. Their most recent publication is 'UPDATED FISHERY STATISTICS FOR BIGEYE, SKIPJACK AND ALBACORE TUNAS FROM MADEIRA ARCHIPELAGO'.</p>

5. Workshop results

Targeted workshop audience

To this workshop, attend the main regional entities related with the big game fishing and recreational fishing. These are entities that will serve as a focal point with other entities, especially companies, such as maritime tourism. Subsequently, another workshop will be held to gather the first inputs and start work on the priority areas.

Table 4 – List of stakeholders who attended to the first part of the workshop.

Entity/stakeholders
Regional Secretariat of Economy, Tourism and Culture - Regional Directorate of Tourism
Regional Secretariat of Education - Regional Directorate for Youth and Sport
Madeira Sport Fishing Association
National Maritime Authority / Funchal Harbor Captaincy
ACIF -CCIM - Funchal Commercial and Industrial Association

During the workshop was presented the following presentations:

Table 5 – Oral communications.

Communication	Brief description
The maritime spatial planning and the MarSP project	It was explained the process of MSP develop until this moment: the Portuguese legislation regarding the MSP process, the develop of the Situation Plan, the delimitation of the uses and activities in the maritime space, the resolution of the conflicts between some uses and activities and the Situation Plan approval. Was also explained the importance of the MarSP project for the MSP: the objectives of this project, partners involved, how will contribute for the MSP process in the Region. Then was explain that was found some gaps regarding the big game fishing activity and recreational fishing that was necessary to deepen some thematic (fishing gear used, economic and social statistical data, touristic and sportive importance, licence quantification, geographical spatialization of the activity, fish species characterization and catch quantification; constraints/conflicts arising from the activity).
Recreational fishing and related European, National and Regional legislation and normative instruments	In this presentation was explained the legislation regarding the activity the big game fishing, how it's developed this activity in the Region and the constraints that Regional Directorate of Fisheries that found namely: fishing quotas, fish catches, licensed vessels, company estimates.
Marine Resources Monitoring: Big Game Fishing in the Madeira Archipelago	In this presentation was explained the main species captured for the big game fishing activity, the evolution in the captures according with the information they have, the problems the Regional Fisheries Directorate have in aggregating information.



Figure 2 – Recreational fishing and related European, National and Regional legislation and normative instruments - Presentation.



Figure 3 - Marine Resources Monitoring: Big Game Fishing in the Madeira Archipelago – Presentation.

Debate with the stakeholders

Involving key stakeholders in the development of marine spatial planning is essential for several reasons. The most important is because maritime spatial planning aims to achieve multiple objectives (social, economic and ecological) and should therefore reflect as many expectations, opportunities or conflicts occurring.

The developing of the Situation Plan was very participative and integrate a variety of stakeholders of different areas, including the big game fishing and recreational fishing activities. Although the Situation Plan is closed, the work related to maritime spatial planning must not stop, integrating stakeholders in all work that involves developing some activity in the sea, as well, to contribute to the future revision of the Situation Plan.

In this way, in this phase, the Regional Government will develop several meetings with the various stakeholders of each sector. The second sectorial meeting was with big game fishing and recreational fishing activities.

After the oral communications, was discussed with the stakeholders some important issues with them:

- Fishing gear used,
- Economic and social statistical data,
- Touristic and sportive importance,
- Licence quantification,
- Geographical spatialization of the activity,
- Fish species characterization and catch quantification;
- Constraints/conflicts arising from the activity;
- Methodologies and conclusions from scientific monitoring and surveys;
- Suggestions and potential improvements.

By the end of the meeting, it was suggested to do another workshop with the big game fishing enterprises to discuss this activity. The entity that represent them in this meeting will be responsible to organize with DROTA this workshop.



Figure 4 - Debate: discussion of the big game fishing and recreation activity

6. Final considerations

The ARM is an insular ultraperipheral territory, with a little diversified economy, however, finds in marine development, an opportunity to establish itself as a maritime region of excellence in the national and European context.

The maritime spatial planning emerges as a fundamental element to dynamize the economic activity related to the sea, through the delimitation of uses and activities in the maritime space. In a first phase, through the Situation Plan, it was possible to identify the uses and activities in the maritime space, in particular the existing ones. Some potential uses or activities were also identified. However, the lack of existing knowledge did not allow us to identify new uses and activities or reinforce those that have already been identified.

This workshop was the second of many to be realized in Region regarding the continuous development of the process of maritime spatial planning. This will possibility the exchange of ideas, find some concerns the stakeholders have about the big game fishing and recreational fishing activity, find some solutions and contribute for the compatibilizations with other uses.

This workshop was a positive impact in the Regional stakeholders once they feel integrated in the process of decision and in another way, contributed to find a solution to aggregate more data about these two activities.