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Summary

This report of the international Stakeholders Workshop - *Innovative Tools & Transferability in MSP Projects*, presents a description of the workshop, containing its structure and applied methodology, as well as the respective results. This Workshop was held in the framework of the *European Maritime Day 2019* (EMD2019) on the theme of *Maritime Spatial Planning* in Lisbon, on 17 May 2019, and counted with the participation of 144 registered attendees.

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Introduction

Under the framework of the project MarSP - Macaronesian Maritime Spatial Planning (2018-2020), it was submitted an application for the international Stakeholder Workshop in the European Maritime Day 2019 (EMD 2019), submitted to DG MARE, European Commission - Commissariat for Environment, Fisheries and Maritime Affairs. This application had to comply with some requirements regarding the logistics and dinamics, such as a workshop of 90 minutes from which at least 45 minutes had to be an interactive discussion, and the panel had to composed of four speakers. This workshop had as a requirement to present an interactive format able to engage the audience into a discussion, with the purpose of showcase practical solutions and good practices as well as to deliver actionable conclusions. This submitted application was successfully evaluated being this document the report of the stakeholder workshop in the EMD2019 entitled - *Innovative tools & transferability in MSP projects*, which was held on the 17th May 2019 in Lisbon (Portugal).

MarSP Project

The Project "Macarone*sian Maritime Spatial Planning"* (MarSP), aims to establish specific actions to develop capacity building and tools in order to apply on the archipelagos of the Macaronesia region according to the directive 2014/89/UE of the European Parliament and Council from the 23 July, 2014, establishing the framework for Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) integrating cross border cooperation mechanisms. Some European Regions have developed their MSP processes, mainly in continental Europe. The specific context of the Macaronesia region, due to its isolation and oceanic features, constrain the development of tailored methodologies to the insular and maritime territory. As so, this project will propose management tools and approaches to MSP on the three outermost regions of the archipelagos of Azores, Madeira and Canary, according to the Directive 2014/89/UE. The development of a working methodology for MSP at the Macaronesia level will facilitate the exchange of experiences and knowledge.

Therefore, MarSP seeks to reinforce the Macaronesia position at the global context considering the economic potential of the extensive maritime area under EU countries jurisdiction, including the growing demands of different Blue Economy Sectors and potential/unknown threats to marine ecosystems (as is the case of deep sea mining). The project aims to reinforce cross border cooperation between the two countries and to develop a geospatial platform guided by the principles of the INSPIRE Directive promoting data sharing between the Member States.

Workshop

This international workshop aimed to launch a joint discussion between the several MSP projects about the use of innovative tools developed under the projects with the objective to improve the support of the implementation of the MSP Directive.

This Workshop (Fig.1) was an opportunity to identify innovative tools & best practices applied or to be applied with the potential of transferability.



Figure 1. Workshop Poster.

Structure

The Workshop took place on the 17th May 2019 at the Camões Auditorium in Lisbon Congress Centre. It lasted for 90 minutes, starting with the opening session by Luz Paramio (MarSP Project Coordinator), followed by the presentation of the MarSP Dissemination Video. Subsequently, the four dynamics of the Workshop took place, according to the agenda (Fig.2). and the closure of the works was done by FRCT President, Bruno Pacheco.

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Agenda 17th of May

11:30 AM

OPENING SESSION

Welcome | Luz Paramio FRCT & MarSP Coordinator MarSP Video

11:35 AM

PRESENTATIONS SESSION

1st Dynamic | Show Practical Solutions - EASME Sister Projects Moderator - Valentina Mabilia, DGMARE Pitch Presentations

12:00 AM

INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION SESSION

2nd Dynamic | Innovative Tools & Good Practices Moderator - Maria Vale, FRCT Flash Presentations

3rd Dynamic | Interactive Format Moderators - Beatriz Candido, FRCT & Helena Calado, UAç

4th Dynamic | Open Discussion Moderators - Helena Calado, UAç & Luz Paramio, FRCT

12:55 AM

CLOSING SESSION Closure of the Workshop | Bruno Pacheco, FRCT President

13:00 AM END OF THE WORKSHOP



Figure 2. Workshop Programme.





Dynamics

Under this workshop, an interactive methodology was adopted to facilitate an environment to present innovative tools and good practices in a pitch and flash format. In addition, an open and dynamic discussion was prepared to engage the audience and provide a debate regarding the effectiveness and transferability of the good practices for future actions.

This workshop was divided into two sessions with four dynamics:

PRESENTATION SESSION:

• <u>Dynamic 1:</u> Show practical solutions – EASME sister projects

INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION SESSION:

- <u>Dynamic 2:</u> Innovative tools & Good practices
- Dynamic 3: Interactive format
- Dynamic 4: Open discussion

Dynamic 1: Show practical solutions – EASME sister projects

This dynamic consisted of one moderator and four speakers with presentations of 5 minutes each (Fig.3).



Figure 3. Speakers from Dynamic 1.

This dynamic started with the participation of DGMARE as moderator, represented by Valentina Mabilia (Fig.4). Valentina Mabilia presented an overview of the importance of MSP projects financing, their interconnection, and potential of transferability.



Figure 4. Moderator from Dynamic 1 - Valentina Mabilia (DGMARE).

Afterwards, the four EASME sister projects – PAN BALTIC SCOPE (Fig.5), SEANSE (Fig.6), OCEAN METISS (Fig.7) and MarSP (Fig.8), showed the practical solutions, innovative tools and processes of their respective projects:

1. PAN BALTIC SCOPE



Ingela Isaksson

Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management (Sweden)

Dr Ingela Isaksson work with ecosystembased sustainable marine management since 2006. Coordinating transboundary collaboration on different scales: local, regional, national and international. Currently working for Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, coordinating EU-funded collaboration Pan Baltic Scope. In Pan Baltic Scope, Maritime Spatial Planning authorities, Regional Sea Organisations, and academia develop planning solutions to transboundary issues, improving Maritime Spatial Planning processes. Collaboration builds on recommendations jointly developed in Baltic SCOPE, which Ingela also coordinated. With assignments at regional and national governmental agencies in Sweden she holds since 2006 a position at County Administrative Board of Västra Götaland. Has regional responsibility coordinating one of three MSPs under development in Sweden; Skagerrak and Kattegatt MSP. Ingela been chairing several advisory and end-user groups of EU-funded projects such as BONUS funded project BAMBI - Baltic Sea marine biodiversity – addressing the potential of adaptation to climate change; ARCH - Architecture and Roadmap to manage multiple pressures on Iagoons; OPTIMUS Optimisation of mussel mitigation cultures for fish feed in the Baltic Sea



PROJECT AIM

Bringer better plans - towards coherent national maritime spatial planning in the Baltic Sea region and lasting macro-region mechanism for cross-border MSP cooperation

KEY MESSAGE

Better together, meeting the needs of national maritime spatial planning processes at different geographical levels

Figure 5. PAN BALTIC SCOPE Project (Ingela Isaksson).

2. SEANSE



Leo de Vrees Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management (Netherlands)

Leo de Vrees presently works as a senior advisor at Rijkswaterstaat, the agency of the Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management. He is member of the Ministerial team who develops a revised policy for the North Sea in which marine spatial planning is a large component. At present, he chairs an international group of Marine spatial planners of North Sea countries to develop large-scale wind farms at the North Sea and is project coordinator of an EU sponsored project SEANSE (Strategic Environmental Assessment North Sea Energy) on this topic. In the period February 2010 – February 2014 he worked for the marine unit of DG Environment of the European Commission. At DG-ENV, he worked on the implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive and especially the descriptors on hydrographic changes, marine litter and underwater noise. In addition, he was Chef de File on all marine litter issues at the EC and delegate on behalf of the EC to the OSPAR Convention. He has a long history in marine, coastal and water matters. At the end of the previous decade and at the beginning of this century, he worked for UNEP's programme on the protection of the marine environment from land-based sources. In the nineties, he worked worldwide on several integrated coastal zone management projects. In the eighties, he lived in Africa, where he worked on drinking water projects

PROJECT AIM



Develop a coherent approach to Strategic Environmental Assessments (SEAs) focused on renewable offshore energy at North Sea, supporting the development and effective implementation of Marine Spatial Plans

KEY MESSAGE

This coherent approach can only be tested in good cooperation with and by MSP authorities and appropriate institutes in the countries bordering the North Sea

Figure 6. SEANSE Project (Leo de Vrees).

3. OCEAN METISS



Anna Szegvari-Mas Directorate of Economic Affairs (La Reunion – France)

Born on 16/06/1978 in Budapest (Hungary), Graduated in Law and Political Sciences in 2003 at the Eötvös Lorànd University (ELTE) in Budapest, with a thesis on international public law. After two years passed as a lawyer trainee in the Budapest office of the American law firm, Squire, Sanders and Dempsey LLP, she turned towards acquiring expertise in European law, integrating the National Development Agency in Hungary, directed by the Minister of European Affairs. Between 2004 and 2007, she was working as a civil servant in close collaboration with the different managing authorities and ministries on the adaptation of Hungarian legislation to EU law, but also on the conception, elaboration and implementation of the Hungarian Operational Programmes (2004-2006 and 2007-2013). She was admitted to the International Course of Public Administration (CIAP) of the French National Civil Servant Academy (ENA) in Strasbourg, France (Promotion Kofi Annan, 2007). After graduation, she used to manage international projects at ADETEF (today Expertise France) in Paris, and passed the Hungarian bar examination in 2009. Living on Réunion Island since 2013, she is working as a Project / Policy officer at the Regional Council of La Réunion since January 2015. For 2 years, she was in charge of the animation and the implementation of the Indian Ocean European Territorial Cooperation Programme (INTERREG V Indian Ocean 2014-2020), and currently, she is working on Blue Economy and different maritime issues since 2016. Actually, she is the project coordinator for the MSP Project "Ocean Metiss" contributing to the Marine Spatial Planning of the Indian Ocean Area



PROJECT AIM

Create an innovative, cross-sectoral decision-making tool by the implementation of an integrated MSP Process concerning the maritime area of Réunion, and contributing to MSP initiatives in the Indian Ocean area.

KEY MESSAGE

Main implementation challenges, the importance of a high-level stakeholder involvement, of the perfect understanding of the stakes at various levels, but also the necessity of regional/ transboundary cooperation in order to ensure the transferability of the project outcomes

Figure 7. OCEAN METISS Project (Anna Svegvari-Mas).

4. MarSP



Luz Paramio Regional Fund for Science and Technology (Azores, Portugal)

Luz Paramio is Scientific Coordinator and Board Member of the Regional Science and Technology Fund (FRCT) from Secretary of Sea, Science and Technology, Azores Regional Government, Portugal. She has a PhD in Geography by the University of Azores (Portugal), MSc in Coastal and Marine Management by the University of Cadiz (Spain) and a Degree in Marine Sciences by the University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Spain). Luz has experience in the coordination of several European projects regarding maritime affairs and transboundary cooperation. At research level, she has integrate several studies on Ocean Governance and Blue Economy being integrated member at the Centre of Applied Economics Studies of the Atlantic (CEaplA), University of Azores and at the Environmental and Marine Studies Centre (CESAM) University of Aveiro and Guest Professor at Maritime Affairs Line, Portuguese Catholic University (Portugal). Luz currently coordinates the EASME Project, MarSP- Macaronesia maritime Spatial Planning



PROJECT AIM

Reinforce maritime spatial planning in Macaronesian archipelagos Azores, Madeira and Canary Islands, by assisting the competent authorities of Portugal (Azores and Madeira) and Spain (Canary Islands) on promoting the development of operative mechanisms of Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) until 2021

KEY MESSAGE

Coordination and cooperation for Marine Spatial Planing in the Macaronesia

Figure 8. MarSP Project (Luz Paramio).

Dynamic 2: Innovative tools & Good practices

The 2nd dynamic of this workshop was moderated by Professor Helena Calado (UAç-MARE) (Fig.9) and consisted of 8 speakers with presentations of 3 minutes each (Fig.10).



Figure 9. Moderator from Dynamic 2 - Helena Calado (UAc-MARE).



Figure 10. Speakers from Dynamic 2.

The 8 speakers of the 2nd Dynamic – MSP Platform (Fig.11), EMODNet (Fig.12), DGPM (Fig.13), SEANSE Project (Fig.14), SIMNORAT Project (Fig.15), CPMR (Fig.16), PADDLE Project (Fig.17) and IOC-UNESCO (Fig.18), presented their different perspectives of innovative tools and good practices:

MSP Hub Initiative



Angela Schultz-Zehden s.Pro Sustainable-Projects GmbH EU MSP Platform Contract Lead

European Maritime Spatial Planning Platform

AIM The European MSP Platform: A service for Member States to share relevant knowledge and experiences on Maritime Spatial Planning

Key Message: The EU MSP Platform - an innovative website and news-service, providing information on the whole range of European wide Maritime Spatial Planning processes and experiences from various perspectives

Figure 11. MSP Platform – MSP Hub initiative (Angela Schultz-Zehden).



Figure 12. EMODNet – Mapping Human activities (Alessandro Pititto).

SEAMind project - Monitoring and Indicators, as a tool for MSP





Portuguese Directorate-General for Maritime Policy (DGPM)

DGPM's mission, is to develop, evaluate and update the National Ocean Strategy, to propose the national policy of the sea in its various domains, to promote and monitor the maritime spatial plan considering the different uses and activities of the sea, to follow and participate in the development of the EU Integrated Maritime Policy and to promote the national and international cooperation related to the sea.

Key Message: SEAMInd - Indicators and Economic, Social and Environmental Monitoring of the Ocean

Figure 13. DGPM – SEAMind Project, monitoring and indicators as a tool for MSP (Paulo Machado).





Cristina Cervera Nuñez Spanish Institute of Oceanography (IEO)

SIMNORAT Project

AIM

Supporting Implementation of Maritime Spatial Planning in the Northern European Atlantic

Key Message: Transboundary approach for stakeholder engagement

Figure 15. SIMNORAT Project – MSP Collaboration between 2 EU countries (Cristina Nuñez).



Figure 16. CPMR – MSP specificities in Maritime Regions (Lise Guennal).

EU MSP Project transferability to outside Marta Vergílio CIBIO, University of the Azores PADDLE Project Planning in a liquid world with tropical stakes AIM Create a network and a collaborative platform, which will build theory and methods for pertinent MSP in tropical areas, by providing critical analyses of the tools and methods used, and by designing innovative approaches to efficient MSP addle Key Message: MSP is context specific and transferability of knowledge between regions and countries needs adaptation and communication Figure 17. PADDLE Project – EU MSP project transferability to the outside (Marta Vergílio). MSP-Global Initiative as innovative tool to involve international players **Alejandro Iglesias**



Figure 18. IOC-UNESCO – MSP-Global initiative as an innovative tool to involve international players (Alejandro Iglesias).

Dynamic 3 & 4: Interactive format & Open discussion

Under the 3rd Dynamic, an interactive format was applied to obtain the maximum engagement from the workshop audience. A practical exercise was developed through the platform *Sli.do*, being three questions launched to the audience (Fig.19), to attain their feedback regarding the tools and best practices considered as the "best" by the audience. Furthermore, a *Word Cloud* was produced, having in consideration the inputs from the audience. This exercise was used as a base for the 4th Dynamic – Open discussion. Also, under this last dynamic, the audience had the opportunity to submit open questions to be discussed afterwards.



Figure 19. Questions launched through the platform *Sli.do*.

Results

This workshop counted with the participation of 144 registered attendees, two moderators, four-panel speakers and eight flash speakers.

Sli.do – Word Cloud

Overall, the *Word Cloud* provided the topics that were highlighted by the audience during the workshop, being the main topic selected – **MSP** (Fig.20).



Figure 20. Sli.do: Topics highlighted by the World Cloud.

Sli.do – Question polls

Under the set of the three launched questions, it was gathered 189 inputs from the audience, which means that an average of 63% of the persons in the audience has voted for each question (Fig. 21).



Figure 21. Sli.do: The total number of votes and respective average in the question polls.

1st Question: Which perspective has a higher impact on MSP Implementation?

With the total input of 67 people, the audience voted the *Stakeholder Engagement* presented by the Pan Baltic Scope Project has the perspective with the highest impact on MSP implementation. The second most voted perspective was the *International Initiative* from the MSP Global, followed by the EMODNET perspective *Mapping Human Activities* (Fig.22).



Figure 22. *Sli.do*: Results of the 1st Poll question - *Which perspective has a higher impact on MSP Implementation*?

2nd Question: Which tool is more innovative and transferable?

With the total input of 62 people, the audience votes have reflected a tie between two tools. The audience considered both the Stakeholder Engagement by the Pan Baltic Scope Project and the Mapping Human Activites by EMODNET has equally innovative and transferable (Fig.23).



Figure 23. Sli.do: Results of the 2nd Poll question - Which tool is more innovative and transferable?

3rd Question: In one word, state the next challenge for MSP?

With the input of 60 people, the audience considered that the major future challenge for MSP is the *Implementation* of the MSP processes. The *Cooperation*, *Communication*, *Climate Change*, and *Governance* were also highlighted as the next challenges for the MSP (Fig.24).



Figure 24. Sli.do: Results of the 3rd Poll question - In one word, state the next challenge for MSP?

Sli.do – Audience open questions

Throughout the Workshop, the audience had the opportunity to submit their open questions, trough the *Sli.do* platform to be discussed later. This session was very active, being submitted 15 questions, which gathered 118 likes in total (Fig.25).



Figure 25. *Sli.do*: The number of likes in the open questions submitted.

Since the workshop time was limited, it was impossible to discuss all the 15 submitted open questions (Tab.1). The moderator selected the most voted questions, and these were discussed between the speakers and the audience in the workshop (Fig.26).

Table 1. Sli.do: Rank of the audience 15 open questions.



| | OPEN QUESTION (<i>Participant</i>) | NºLike s |
|-----|--|-------------|
| 1. | Are you considering climate change impacts on MSP? And how? (<i>Catarina Frazão-Santos</i>) | 19 |
| 2. | Have you map/list your ecosystem services and take them into account somehow in your MSP process? (<i>Victor Cordero Penín</i>) | 15 |
| 3. | Beyond the capability building, anyone knows successful experiences on awareness (less technical & more strategic) to the decision makers (politicians) about MSP? (<i>Cristina Pallero</i>) | 12 |
| 4. | Following all MSs adopting Marine Spatial Plans, what steps will be taken at a European level to ensure plans are used and continually updated & relevant? | 10 |
| 5. | Unlike land planning, MSP currently does not have a mature legal framework attached to it, e.g. case law. How might this evolve & how might MSP practice change? | 10 |
| 6. | Are data and information contained in the various portals, projects communicated back to - and scrutinised by - Stakeholders? How? | 8 |
| 7. | Is the economic valuation of ecosystem services based on preferences (stakeholders/experts/public) being used to inform MSP? Do you recognize its potential? | 8 |
| 8. | How have you bridged the gap between technical-scientific conclusions of your projects and the agenda and priorities of public policy processes? | 8 |
| 9. | What are some ways to track and quantify equitability in MSP? | 5 |
| 10. | Supporting MSP implementation - is it better to target many orgs that make lots of small-scale decisions or fewer large orgs that may make few large-scale ones? | 4 |
| 11. | Re: CEAF - why this new framework when we already have SEA and EIA Directives? What are the key differences? | 4 |
| 12. | Is EMODNET data about human activities includes the identification of companies and business and its spatial distribution in the coastal and marine area? | 4 |
| 13. | Are you aware of a decision made on a marine activity being challenged on the basis of how a marine spatial plan has been used in making the decision? | 3 |
| 14. | Who should write MSP data harmonisation guidelines to ensure interoperability beyond INSPIRE? (<i>Maria Gomez Ballesteros</i>) | 3 |
| 15. | Is the data of human activities been used for making environmental policy at NUTS III nivel in Europe? If not, how do you think this can be implemented? (<i>Lina Arroyave</i>) | 2 |



Figure 26. Sli.do: Top three questions.

Main Conclusions

As main pratical conclusion we identified this workshop has an excellent opportunity to demonstrate the sinergies and real cooperation existing in the different projects and iniciatives through Europe and also at an interancional level. This provide us evidences that an important dynamic exists and that this allows an effective exchange of Knowledge and Practices on creating a transferability environment on MSP.

As an overall conclusion, there is a great interest in maintain this cooperation and dynamics for the projects and for the funding institutions.

Final Considerations

European Maritime Day 2019, was attended by a total number of 1468 participants from 73 countries' around the globe. This international Workshop has occurred accordingly with the Agenda and had high affluence with a total number of 144 participants. Participants shown a high willingness to participate, engaging themselves entirely in an open, productive, interactive discussion, which contributed highly for the achievement of the previewed goals for this workshop and going even further in the expected accomplishment. We consider that the discussion generated under this workshop has given an important contribution to the MSP and highlighted the MSP next challenges that will arise.

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ANNEXES

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