



Community of practice on MSP for the MED

Topic-based analysis

MSP SUPPORTING MPA/OECM

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Objectives of the topic-based analysis

Many different experiences to draw on from past or ongoing MSP related projects or from various national or local planning initiatives

⇒ Overview elaborated through the project-based analysis

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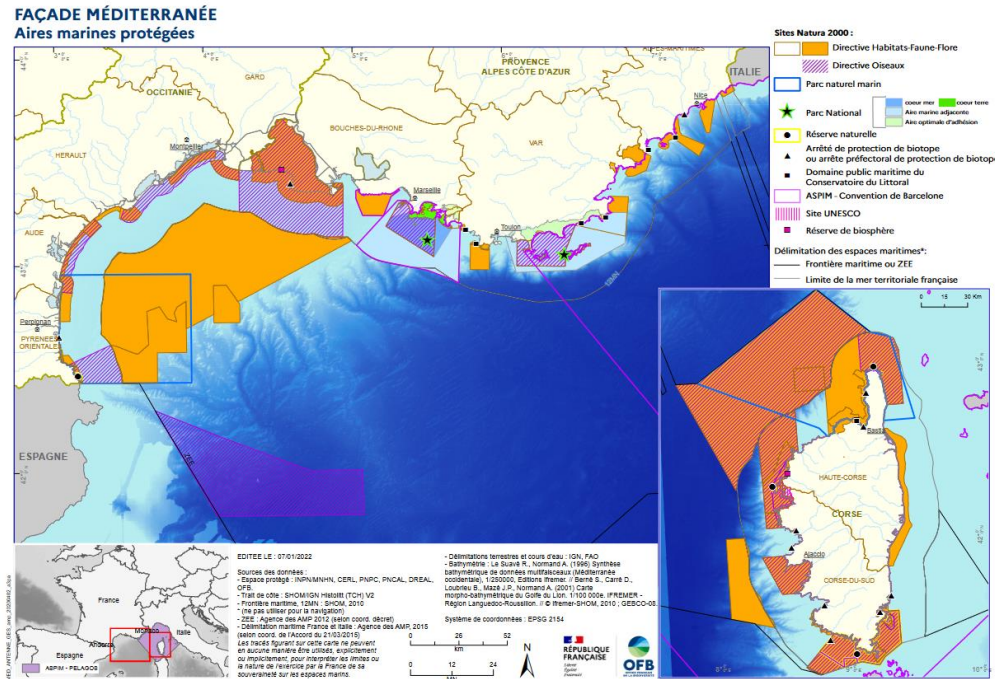
- Identify Key challenges in Mediterranean countries
- Point at solutions potentially brought by MSP implementation
- To build recommendations



2-step analysis

- 1/ Identification and prioritization of specific “**subtopics**” and related “**key questions**”
- 2/ Identification of potential “solutions” and development of recommendations (built on experiences from MSP projects or initiatives)

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CAT	General objectives	Selection	Example types
Ia	Preserve species, habitats and ecosystems for scientific purposes	Relatively free of direct human influence and capable of remaining so	Nature Reserve
Ib	Preserve natural attributes for future generations	High natural quality, significant features and opportunity for solitude	Wilderness Area
II	Protect natural/scenic areas of national significance for research, education and recreation	Representative example large enough to contain entire relatively unmodified ecosystem(s)	National Park
III	Preserve specific outstanding natural features	Contains feature(s) of outstanding significance; Large enough to protect integrity of feature	Natural Monument
IV	Conserve habitat of significant species (e.g. rare) through active management	Habitat important to the species survival (e.g. breeding areas)	Wildlife Sanctuary
V	Maintain harmonious interaction of nature and culture; Provide for recreation/ tourism	High scenic quality and diversity, unique or traditional land use patterns	Protected Landscape/ Seascape
VI	Sustainable use of natural resources through sound management, while maintaining biodiversity	Two-thirds of area must be in natural condition; Large enough to absorb sustainable use	e.g. GBRMP

MPA is a multiple concept, from strict protection to the support of sustainable uses development



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MPA designation

⇒ Take environmental stakes and issues into maritime plan elaboration
MPA/OECM designation

⇒ Toward network coherence management measures
CARE : Comprehensiveness / Adequacy / Representativeness / Efficiency

How could MSP support the designation of a coherent network ?



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MPA management

⇒ Regulation measures within MPA need to be implemented

⇒ MSP environmental prescription need to be coherent with MPA objectives and regulation measures

How could MSP support the MPA network management with and beyond its boundaries ?



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MPAs as a tool for MSP implementation

⇒ MPAs bring management measures which provide regulation for maritime uses

⇒ MPAs have to their own local governances

How could MPA be a way of plans implementation ?



Subtopics & Key question

Subtopic

Key question

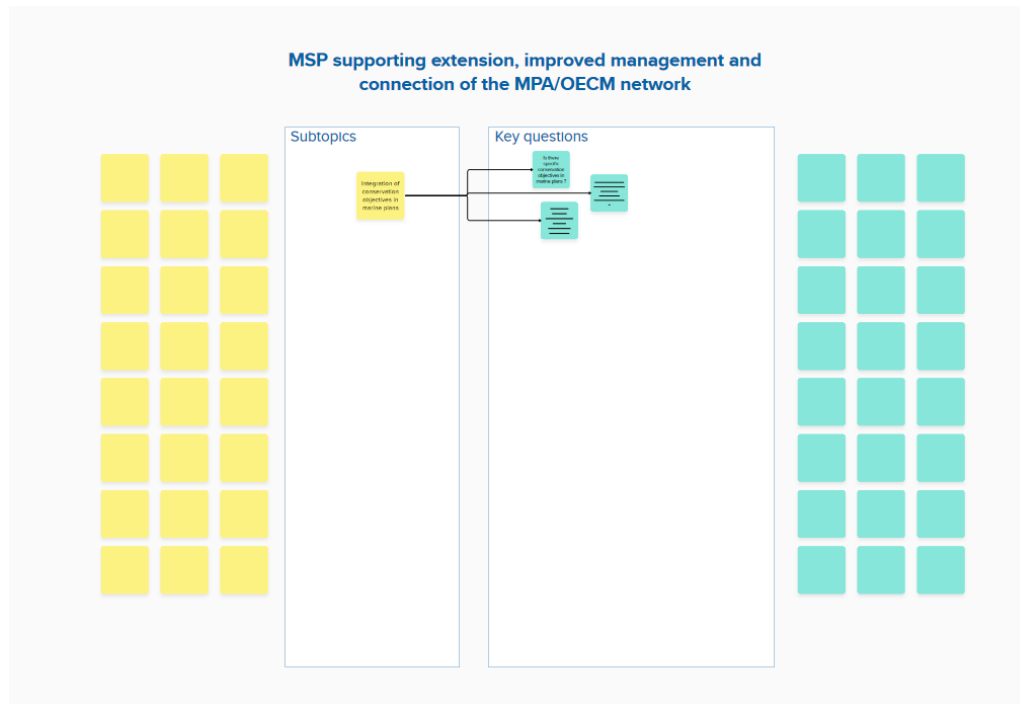
Integration of conservation objectives in marine plans

- Specific conservation objectives in marine plans ?
- Articulation with dedicated conservation strategies ?
- Environmental aspects in planning prescriptions of maritime sectors ?
- Conservation objectives within MPA perimeters VS outside ?
- ...



Breakout sessions - Mural tool

- ⇒ 3 breakout groups
- ⇒ Mural: Interactive online brainstorming tool - Connection links will be provided in each breakout groups



1 / Raising subtopics and key questions

2/ Organizing raised ideas

3 / Voting for the most important (relevant and MSP related)