

# MSP-OR

Advancing Maritime  
Spatial Planning  
in Outermost Regions

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**MSP data for decision support  
in the Outermost Regions  
(and the need for MSP-OR)**



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- ❖ **Outermost Regions (ORs)** are an **integral part of EU territory** (Article 349 of the TFEU\*): 9 EU ORs from 3 Member States (MS)
- ❖ **Specificities:** remoteness, insularity, small size, difficult topography and climate, economic dependence on a few products, conditioning also their maritime economic development

Azores & Madeira (PT)  
 Canary Islands (SP)

+ French Guiana (FR)



**MARSP**  
 Macaronesian Maritime Spatial Planning

**MSP-OR**

(2018-2019)

(2021-2024)

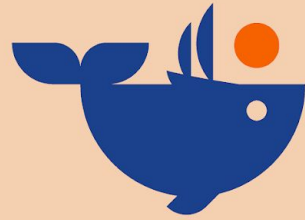


[https://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/en/policy/themes/outermost-regions/](https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/policy/themes/outermost-regions/)

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## The Project



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Start date	Duration	Partners	Member States	ORs	Estimated project cost	Requested EU contribution
 1st September 2021	 36 Months		Portugal (PT) Spain (SP) França (FR)	Azores Madeira Canary Islands French Guiana		
	2021-2024	12	3	4	1,906,307.52€	1,499,999.89€



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strong coordinated and collaborative action in the establishment and adoption of the **EU MSP Directive**

embrace common challenges and the specific needs of each OR, as well as the knowledge sharing and best practices exchange

capitalize resources and promote sustainable development of the Blue Economy in the ORs



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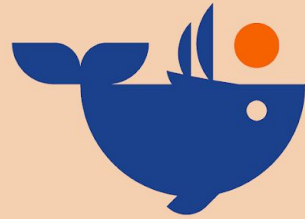
## OUR GOALS

- ❖ Support MSP competent authorities in Portugal (**Azores and Madeira**) and Spain (**Canary Islands**) on advancing the implementation of the **next phases** of their MSP processes, launched with previous **MarSP Project** (2018-2019);
- ❖ Support MSP competent authorities in France (**French Guiana**) to build the **early stages** of MSP process, advancing with knowledge, providing grounds to launch and adopting the principles of MSP;
- ❖ Provides an **integrated ocean governance platform** that allows maritime spatial planners to jointly develop approaches for MSP in the ORs;
- ❖ Filling knowledge **gaps** & advance the **ecosystem-based approach, monitoring** and **evaluation** in MSP in the participating Regions.



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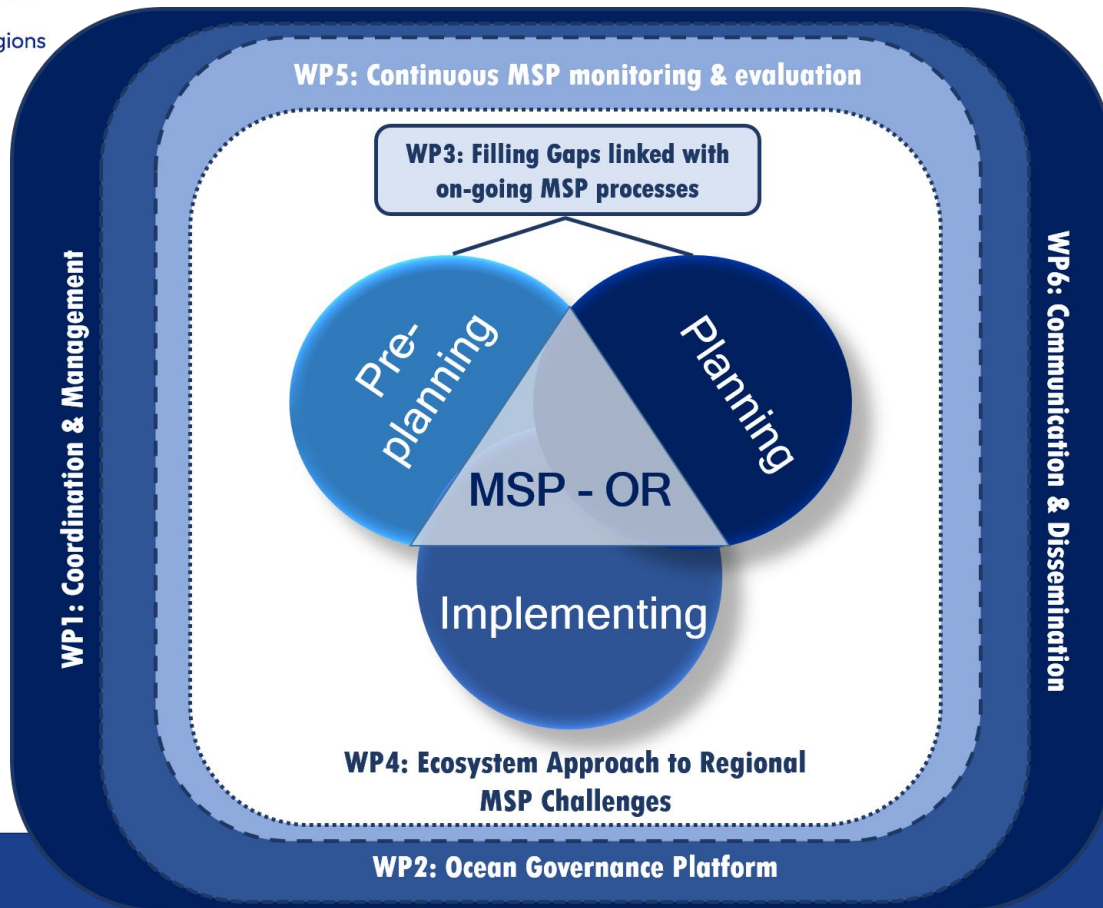
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# MSP-OR Structure



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## WP2 Ocean Governance Platform

**Leader:** FRCT (with UAc MSP expertise assistance)

### WELCOME TO OUR HOUSE!

Foreseen to be **launched** in  
 September 2022

### MS5 Virtual Workshop

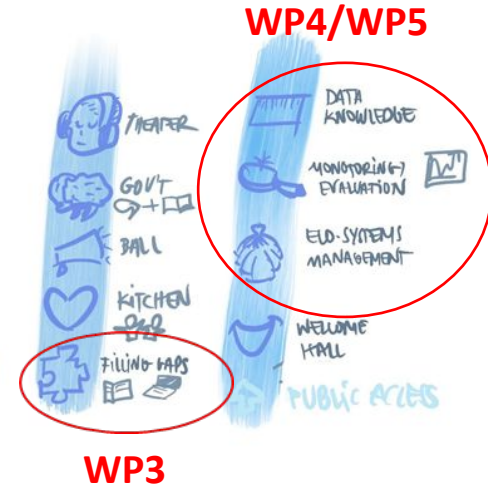
February 2022

### Platform Manual (D.2.2)

April 2022

### Report on Needs, Barriers and Enablers for MSP and Capacity Building (D.2.1)

April 2022





## WP3 Filling Gaps linked with on-going MSP processes

**Leader:** GOBCAN (focal points MTERD/DGCM and ULPGC)

Develop **inputs and tools** that are missing in order to have effective MSP processes and implementation (**data gathering and incorporating, stakeholders' interaction systems and blue economy research**)

**MS10 FG sea basis strategy public debate**

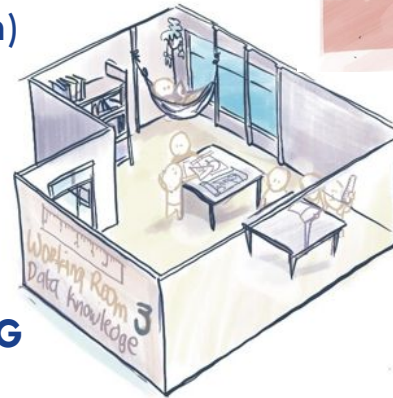
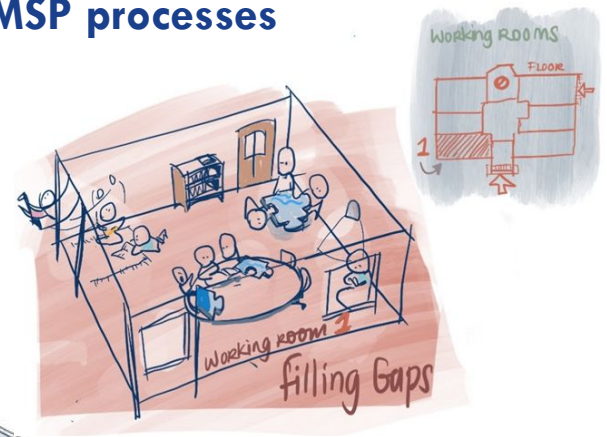
October 2021

**MS11 Workshop on "ready to use" products**

March 2022

**D.3.12 Maps of socio-economic sea issues in FG**

April 2022





## EXAMPLES

### MS11 Workshop on “ready to use” products

Despite all MSP products were considered interesting to some extent (Figure 5), the SIGMAR-Açores, INFOMAR and INDIMAR decision support system were the highest ranked (75 % each), closely followed by the “Herramienta de Pilotaje Canario” (62.5 %) and to a slightly lesser extent, by the MSP INSPIRE data model and the Standardized Symbology-Portrayal for MSP (50 % each).

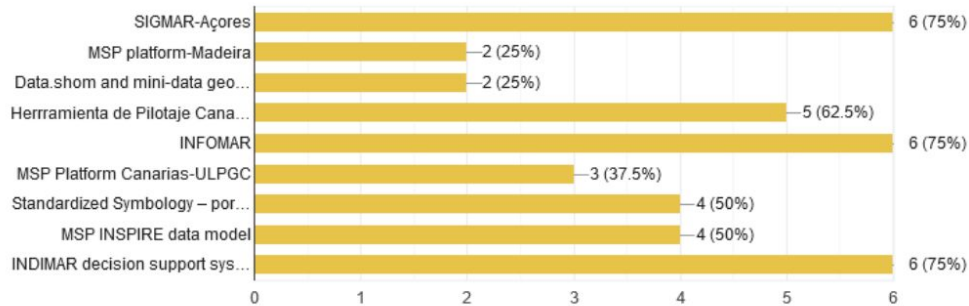
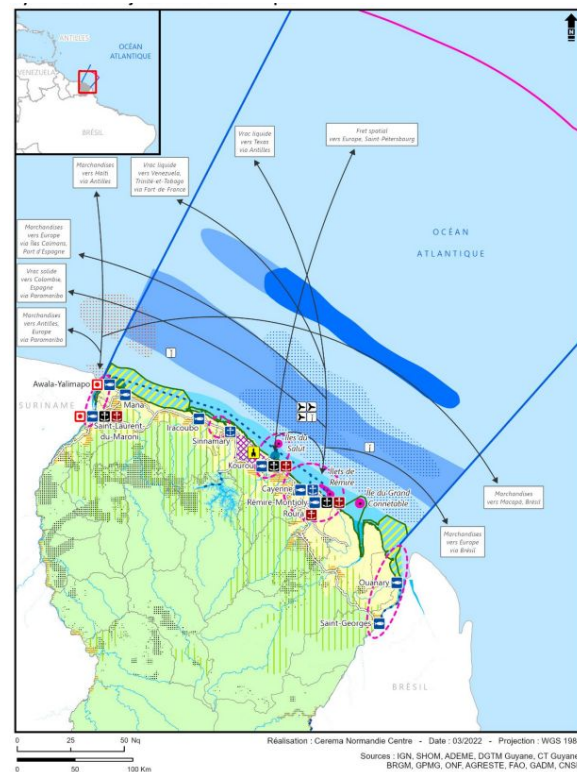


Figure 5. Results to the survey question: “Among all the MSP products presented, which are the ones you are more interested in?”



### D.3.12 Maps of socio-economic sea issues in FG DSBM Guyane : Enjeux (arcgis.com)

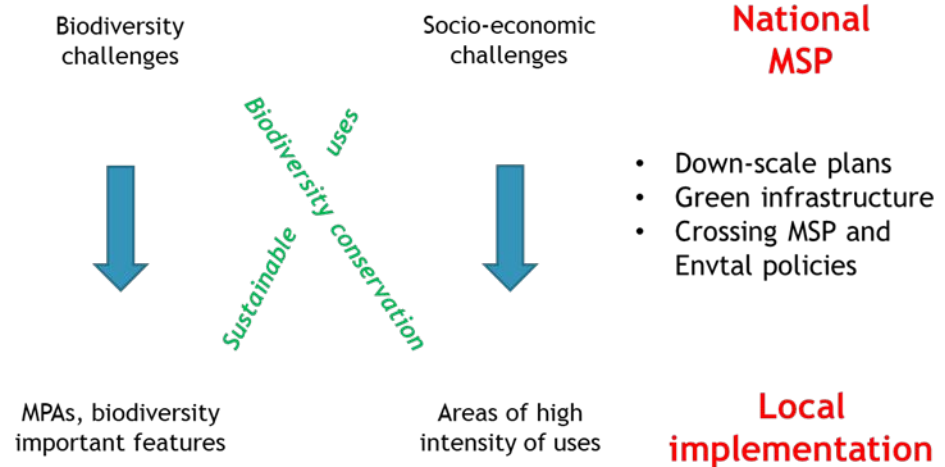




## WP4 Ecosystem Approach to Regional MSP Challenges

**Leader:** Cerema (also the focal point)

- 1. What is the right level of details and mandatory rules in the national MSP?*
- 2. Are the responsibilities of different authorities well defined so that the hierarchy goes well between them?*
- 3. How to strengthen the EBA having to apply measures in relation to administrative borders while ensuring ecological connectivity for biodiversity and ecosystem functioning?*

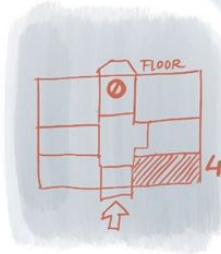




## WP5 Continuous MSP monitoring & evaluation

**Leader:** SRMP-DRPM, SRMar-DRM, DGPM  
(focal point SRMar-DRM)

Propose **guidelines** for monitoring MSP in the ORs considering **regional specificities**;  
Identify, select and test the **monitoring indicators** considering the **available information**, the **baseline** and the **targets**;  
Draw the **main findings** and **recommendations** into a concise, objective and implementation-oriented monitoring plan, apt for **public dissemination**.





## No MSP is an island





**Thank you!**

**Swim with us in this sustainable ocean**

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