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**MSFD Competent Authorities (CAs),
Stakeholders, & External Experts (SHECAP)
Workshops**

Athens, 24th-26th October 2022 (hybrid)



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Workshop 1: Defining Competent Authorities' needs

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Workshop 2: Ex post socioeconomic assessment of PoMs

24th October 2022 (09.00-18.00 EEST)

09:00 – 09:15 Registration for Workshop 1

Workshop 1: Defining Competent Authorities' needs

09:15 – 09:25 Welcome & Adoption of Agenda – Dr Kalliopi Pagou (HCMR)

09:25 – 09:45 *Activity 1: Coordination/Management, Dissemination – Engagement of Stakeholders and Competent Authorities*

Definition of Competent Authorities needs for MSFD/EcAp implementation

Presenters: Dr Kalliopi Pagou & Nikos Streftaris (HCMR)

09:45 – 10:00 *Activity 2: Pelagic habitat: using the plankton communities to address properly the status of pelagic habitat and relevant pressure*

Presenters: Janja Francé (NIB) & Sanda Skejić (IOF)

10:00 – 10:15 *Activity 3: Towards ecologically-relevant scales and areas for assessment of benthic habitat and effective measures to reduce physical disturbance to the sea-floor in the Mediterranean Sea*

Presenter: Sasa Raicevich (ISPRA)

10:15 – 10:30 *Activity 4: Descriptor's D1 selected criteria regarding mammals' species groups (small toothed cetaceans, deep diving toothed cetaceans and baleen whales) towards coordinated monitoring and assessment in the Mediterranean region*

Presenter: Celia Le Ravallec (ACCOBAMS)

10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee Break**

10:45 – 11:00 *Activity 5: Socio-economic analysis of measures*

Presenters: Lina Tode & Anai Mangos (Plan Bleu)



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11:00 – 11:15 *Activity 6: Integrating GES biodiversity assessment in a pan-Mediterranean scale*

Presenter: Asma Yahyaoui (SPA/RAC)

11:15 – 12:15 *Discussion - Defining Competent Authorities' needs*

12:15 – 12:30 *Short presentation of the main aims of Focus group implementation on EU marine environmental policy in the Mediterranean Sea*

Presenter: Sašo Gorjanc (University of St Andrews)

END of WORKSHOP 1

12:30 – 13:15 **Lunch Break**

Workshop 2: Ex post socioeconomic assessment of PoMs

13:15 – 13:30 Registration for Workshop 2

13:30 – 14:15 *Preliminary results on ex post socioeconomic analysis of measures - Methodological aspects and discussion*

Moderators: Lina Tode & Anai Mangos (Plan Bleu)

14:15 – 14:30 **Comfort Break**

14:30 – 15:30 *Interactive session: brainstorming on ex post socioeconomic analysis needs in the Mediterranean*

Moderators: Lina Tode & Anai Mangos (Plan Bleu)

15:30 – 15:45 **Coffee Break**

15:30 – 16:45 *Interactive session: contributions to design a decisional tree for implementing ex post socioeconomic analysis of measures in the Mediterranean*

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17:00 – 18:00 *Focus group on divergent viewpoints influencing EU marine environmental policy implementation in the Mediterranean.*

Moderator: Sašo Gorjanc (University of St Andrews)



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Workshop 3: Spatial management scenarios for fishing impact on benthic habitats

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Workshop 4: Dialogue to achieve a Good Environmental Status (1st session)

25th October 2022 (09.00-18.00 EEST)

Workshop 3: Spatial management scenarios for fishing impact on benthic habitats

- 09:00 – 09:15 Registration for Workshop 3
- 09:15 – 09:30 *Introduction to ABIOMMED*
Presenter: Kalliopi Pagou (HCMR)
- 09:30 – 09:40 *Enhancing consistency for benthic assessment and measures*
Presenter: Sasa Raicevich, (ISPRA)
- 09:40 – 09:50 *Towards the protection of Mediterranean Sea
benthic habitats under Ecological Objective 6 (EcAp)*
Presenter: Asma Yahyaoui (SPA-RAC)
- 09:50 – 10:05 *Recent developments on fisheries-related spatial measures to protect
benthic habitats and resources of the Mediterranean Sea*
Presenter: Aurora Nastasi (GFCM)
- 10:05 – 10:20 *Protecting the sea while safeguarding fishing activities*
Presenter: Marzia Piron (MEDAC)
- 10:20 – 10:30 *Building science in support of seafloor protection and human activities
management*
Presenter: Sebastian Valanko (ICES)
- 10:30 – 10:55 *Testing spatial management scenarios to reduce the impact of fishing on
the benthic habitats in the Mediterranean Sea. An introduction to
ABIOMMED methodology*
Presenter: Tommaso Russo (Università Tor Vergata)
- 10:55 – 11:05 *Spatial management scenarios*
Presenter: Alice Sbrana (Università Tor Vergata)



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11:05 – 11:20 **Coffee Break**

11.20 – 12.00 *Results by case-study:*

- *The Western Mediterranean case study*
- *The Central Mediterranean case study*
- *The Adriatic Sea transboundary case study*
- *The Ionian Sea case study*

Presenters: Tommaso Russo (Università Tor Vergata), Alice Sbrana, (Università Tor Vergata), Valentina Lauria (CNR), Vincent Georges (CNR)

12.00 – 12.50 *Structured discussion with stakeholders, policy makers and experts: further spatial management scenarios to be considered; further output considered relevant by stakeholders, policy makers and experts.*

12.50 – 13.00 *Conclusions*

END of WORKSHOP 3

13:00 – 13:45 **Lunch Break**

Workshop 4: Dialogue to achieve a Good Environmental Status

Moderators: Asma Yahyaoui (SPA/RAC), Mario Sprovieri (CNR)

13:45 – 14:15 Registration for Workshop 4

14:15– 14:30 *Welcome and Introduction*

Presenter: Kalliopi Pagou (HCMR)

14:30 – 15:00 *GES under IMAP*

Presenter: Joanne Foden (UNEP/MAP)

15:00 – 15:30 *Integration and harmonic development of a Mediterranean MSFD and IMAP in a context of risk-based and ecosystem approach*

Presenters: Asma Yahyaoui, SPA/RAC, Ivan Sekovski, PAP/RAC and Jelena Knezevic, MedPol

15:30 – 16:00 *Implementation of MSFD and IMAP in Italy: mutual benefit and future perspectives*

Presenter: Leonardo Tunesi (ISPRA)

16:00 – 16:15 **Coffee Break**



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- 16:15 – 16:45 *Recent theories on community structure and functioning*
Presenter: Samir Suweis (University of Padova)
- 16:45 – 17:15 *How to manage MSFD for a GES-like definition/assessment: knowledge gaps and new views*
Presenter: Maurizio Ribera d'Alcalà (Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn)
- 17:15 – 18:00 *Open discussion*

END of FIRST SESSION (WORKSHOP 4)

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Workshop 4: Dialogue to achieve a Good Environmental Status (2nd session)

26th October 2022 (09.00-12.00 EEST)

Workshop 4: Dialogue to achieve a Good Environmental Status
Moderators: Asma Yahyaoui (SPA/RAC), Mario Sprovieri (CNR)

- 09:00 – 09:30 *Wrap-up of the first day*
Presenter: Asma Yahyaoui (SPA-RAC) and Mario Sprovieri (CNR)
- 09:30 – 10:00 *Experiences on GES assessment based on IMAP: examples from the Adriatic*
Presenter: Ivan Sekovski & Marina Markovic (PAP/RAC)
- 10:00 – 10:30 *The JPI-O S4GES oceanographic joint-cruise for MSFD*
Presenter: Patrick Roose (RBINS)
- 10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee Break**
- 10:45 – 11:15 *State of the Environment and Development in the Mediterranean: towards a socio-ecosystem approach for assessment purpose*
Presenter: Anai Mangos and Lina Tode, (PLAN BLEU)
- 11:15 – 12:00 *Open discussion and conclusive remarks*

END of WORKSHOP 4

