EMFF support to cross-border cooperation on Maritime Spatial Planning
Why is MSP a priority for Europe?

✓ Reduce conflicts on access to maritime space
✓ Preserve and protect the marine ecosystem
✓ Reduce cumulative impact of maritime activities on the environment
✓ Reduce co-ordination costs for public authorities
✓ Improve certainty and predictability for private investments
MSP Directive 2014/89/EU

2014
- Entry into force

2016
- Transposition and designation of competent authorities

2021
- Establishment of plans

Geographical coverage

Marine waters (coastal waters, territorial waters and Exclusive Economic Zone EEZ).
Responsibilities of National Administrations

- Designate MSP authorities
- Draw up maritime spatial plans by March 2021

example: Belgium
Minimum requirements for Member States

- Involve stakeholders
- Cooperate with bordering Member States
- Apply an ecosystem-based approach
- Use the best available data
- Take into account land-sea interactions
- Promote co-existence of activities
- Review the plans at least every 10 years
Support tools:

- Assistance mechanism: EU MSP Platform
- Cross-border projects in various sea-basins
- MSP Expert Group composed of national authorities
EU MSP Platform

http://msp-platform.eu/

MSP Database
We invite you to search for MSP implementation experiences in the Practices Database and take a look at the comprehensive MSP Projects database. You can also explore the extensive FAQ page, or submit a question.

Key messages and additional outputs from MSP4BG conference
Additional outputs are now available from the conference Maritime Spatial Planning for Blue Growth: How to plan for a Sustainable Blue...

MSP in Europe
The European Maritime Spatial Planning Platform provides a single interface to draw together experience and expertise from across Europe and make it available in a readily accessible, implementation-oriented format. It serves as the gateway and exchange forum for all involved in MSP throughout Europe.

Upcoming Events

Tweets by @EU_MSP_Platform

Open calls
EMFF financial support for cross border projects in sea-basins

2014
- Baltic Sea
- Atlantic
- Black Sea

2015
- Baltic Sea
- EastMed
- WestMed

2016
- Baltic Sea
- North Sea
- Outermost Regions

2018
- Atlantic
- Black Sea

2019
- Mediterranean

MSP Plans established at the latest 31 March 2021
EMFF funded cross-border MSP projects

- SIMCELT
- BalticScope
- PanBaltic Scope
- SIMAtlantic
- SEANSE
- MARSPLAN BS II
- MAR-Sp
- OCEAN METISS
- Simnorat
- Simwest med
- Supreme
Baltic SCOPE – Better Together

Sharing the Baltic Sea: How Six Countries Improved Their Maritime Spatial Planning
The SIMNORAT data portal demonstrator has been designed as a tool to help marine spatial planners to access, preview and use relevant data for Maritime Spatial Planning of the Northern Atlantic area. This technical laboratory explores solutions to overcome existing barriers and gaps on data sharing in a transboundary context. The datasets gathered and tested in this portal are mainly Web Services, which are INSPIRE Directive standards aimed at sharing data in Europe.
Supporting maritime spatial Planning in the Eastern Mediterranean (SUPREME)
Examples

Boost economy, preserve biodiversity

OCEANMETISS
01/02/2018-31/01/2020

Nestled in the Indian Ocean, Réunion is a French overseas department and an outermost region of the European Union. Its waters are refuge to sea turtles and dolphins. Coral reefs ring its west coast.

To preserve this rich biodiversity while boosting the economy, the Oceanmetiss project custom-builds maritime spatial planning tools to fit the local territory.

By bringing in international expertise on blue economy matters and by pooling scientific and technical resources, it aims to develop an innovative methodology for spatial planning and develop the right skills and training for sea-related trades.

EU CONTRIBUTION
€ 963,211

COUNTRY
France
Conference Conclusions: adoption of a joint roadmap

Joint Roadmap
to accelerate Maritime/Marine Spatial Planning processes worldwide (MSP)
SAVE THE DATE

MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING FORUM
GLOBAL MEETS REGIONAL

19 - 21 November 2019
Riga, Latvia
Thank you!

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