Achieving good environmental status for maintaining ecosystem services by assessing integrated impacts of cumulative pressures (GES4SEAS)

GES4SEAS Project aims to inform and guide marine governance in minimizing human pressures and their impacts on marine biodiversity and ecosystem functioning, while maintaining the sustainable delivery of ecosystem services.

GES4SEAS will bring together relevant actors and stakeholders, to develop an innovative, compliant, and flexible toolbox in the context of adaptive Ecosystem-Based Management. Stakeholders and key competent authorities will be integrated in a Practitioner Advisory Board to co-create and validate the toolbox.

11 Learning Sites will be used to test, validate, demonstrate and upscale the toolbox in:

- four European regional seas (Atlantic, Mediterranean, Baltic and Black),
  - as well as in the Caribbean Sea

Through these tools, GES4SEAS will ensure that Good Environmental Status is achieved and support policies at national, European and global levels.

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