



Improved Science-Based Maritime Spatial Planning to Safeguard and Restore Biodiversity in a coherent European MPA network (MSP4BIO)



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The MSP4BIO has an overall aim to support the implementation of the EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030, the Convention on Biological Diversity Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, as well as the EU Green Deal, by mainstreaming biodiversity into policy decisions on different governance levels, and be developing an integrated socio-ecological management of the marine ecosystems.

The main objective of MSP4BIO is to develop an integrated and modular Ecological-Socio-Economic (ESE) management framework for the protection and restoration of marine ecosystems, within its more general objectives of promoting sustainable blue growth, and integrating maritime policies. The ESE looks at the compatibility between maritime/coastal uses and protection measures.

Sectors covered:

- Fisheries
- Aquaculture
- Tourism
- Renewables
- Mineral extraction

Partnerships

Belgium (Flanders Marine Institute - VLIZ, The World Wide Fund for Nature - WWF EPO), Bulgaria (The Center for Coastal and Marine Studies - CCMS), Croatia (Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity Centre - PAP/RAC), Estonia (University of Tartu - UTARTU), Finland (The Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission/Helsinki Commission - HELCOM, The Finnish Environment Institute - Syke), France (Centre for Studies and Expertise on Risks, the Environment, Mobility and Urban Planning - Cerema, Nantes Université), Germany (s.Pro - sustainable projects GmbH), Italy (The Institute of Marine Sciences of the National Research Council - CNR-ISMAR), Lithuania (The Coastal Research and Planning Institute - CORPI), Poland (Gdynia Maritime University - GMU), Portugal (The University of the Azores' - UAC), Romania (The National Institute for Maritime Research and Development "Grigore Antipa" - NIMRD), Spain (The University of Cádiz - UCA), United Kingdom (Seascope Consultants).



MSP4BIO Test Sites

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Environment

- ▬ Coastal
- ▬ Offshore
- ▬ Deep-sea

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