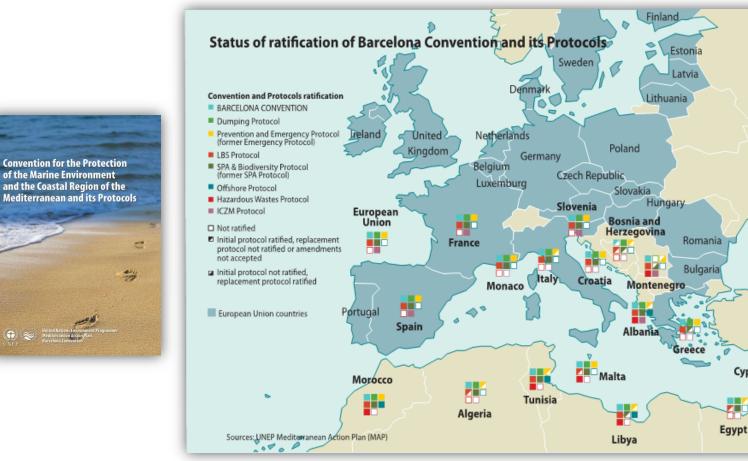
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UNEP/MAP system & Barcelona Convention: regional environmental governance framework





United Nations Environment Programme Mediterranean Action Plan (UNEP/MAP) **Barcelona** Convention



Syria

Lebanon

Israel

Turkey

Cyprus

MSSD, an integrative policy framework



- Prepared by the MCSD (advisory body)
- Adopted in 2005 by all Contracting Parties of the BC
- Vision: a sustainable Mediterranean region
- For the deployment of National Strategies (NSDD)
- A regional response to the global agenda: Agenda 21, UN-MDGs, etc.





MSSD Review: COP 18 decision (Istanbul, 2013)

 "(CPs) Request MAP Secretariat to launch the process of the review of the MSSD with a view to submitting a revised MSSD for consideration and adoption by the Contracting Parties in their 19th Meeting"







Vision of the MSSD 2016-2025

- A prosperous and peaceful Mediterranean region in which people enjoy a high quality of life and where sustainable development takes place within the carrying capacity of healthy ecosystems.
- This is achieved through common objectives, strong involvement of all stakeholders, cooperation, solidarity, equity and participatory governance.
- The Strategy sub-title is "*Investing in environmental sustainability to achieve social and economic development*"







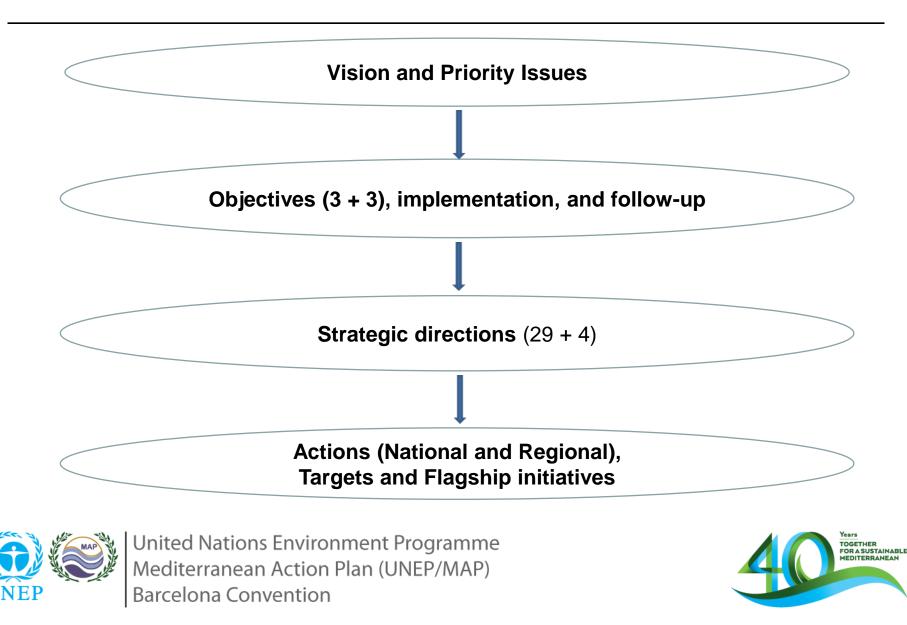
Objectives of the MSSD 2016-2025

- Ensuring sustainable development in marine and coastal areas TWG1 Seas and coasts
- 2) Promoting resource management, food production and security through sustainable forms of rural development – TWG2 Natural resources, rural development and food
- **3)** Planning and managing sustainable Mediterranean cities TWG4 Sustainable cities, including ICZM
- 4) Addressing climate change as a priority issue for the Mediterranean TWG3 Climate
- 5) Transition towards a green and blue economy TWG5 Green economy, including SCP
- 6) Governance in support of sustainable development TWG6 Governance





Structure of the MSSD 2016-2025



Implementation of the MSSD 2016-2025

Implementation of the MSSD is a collective process.

Although facilitated by MAP and the MCSD, it is the participation and active role of all stakeholders, either those involved in the development of the Strategy, or those that will become involved in its implementation through activities that will play a decisive role for successful delivery of the Strategy:

- ✓ MAP Secretariat and components (RACs)
- ✓ MCSD
- ✓ Contracting Parties
- ✓ Intergovernmental and regional and sub-regional institutions
- ✓ The private sector
- ✓ Science/Academia
- ✓ Civil society, including MAP partners





Financing the implementation of the MSSD

The resources for financing the strategy implementation cannot and should not be expected to come from only one or a few sources.

It is a collective effort, through which the sum will be much greater than the addition of the parts, thanks to the synergies developed and economies of scale achieved.

- ✓ National budgets of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention
- Coordination between MAP and other regional and sub-regional intergovernmental institutions and development agencies
- ✓ The private sector





Monitoring system and indicators

A comprehensive monitoring system and relevant indicators are necessary for the implementation of the Strategy.

The following two requirements must be adequately covered:

- Monitoring the implementation of the actions recommended in the Strategy: the level of implementation and gaps in the objectives in terms of actions (for example, the number of countries complying with a protocol).
- ✓ Monitoring the progress of sustainable development issues: the sustainability dashboard in relation to the objectives in terms of sustainability (for example, improve water efficiency).





Linking the objectives of the MSSD 2016-2025 to the SDGs (1/2)

MSSD Objectives	UN-SDGs
1. Ensuring sustainable development in marine and coastal areas	14. LIFE BELOW WATER - Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
2. Promoting resource management, food production and food security through sustainable forms of rural development	 2. ZERO HUNGER - End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture 15. LIFE ON LAND - Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss 6. CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION - Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
3. Planning and managing sustainable Mediterranean cities	 11. SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES - Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable 7. AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY - Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all





Linking the objectives of the MSSD 2016-2025 to the SDGs (2/2)

MSSD Objectiv	ves	UN-SDGs
4. Addressing clim change as a priorit for the Mediterran	ty issue	13. CLIMATE ACTION - Take urgent action to mitigate climate change and its impacts
5. Transition towar green and blue eco		 8. DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH - Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all 9. INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE - Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation 12. RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION - Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
6. Improving gove in support of susta development	ainable ited Natio	16. PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS - Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels 17. PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS - Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development ons Environment Programme an Action Plan (UNEP/MAP)
	Barcelona Convention	

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