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**Report of the Meeting** 

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## I. Agenda Item 1: Opening of the Meeting, Adoption of the Agenda and Organization of Work

1. The 42<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Coordination Panel (ECP) was held on 8-9 July 2020, through teleconference. The meeting was chaired by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)/Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP) Deputy Coordinator and attended by the Heads of MAP Components, the MAP Programme Officer responsible for governance issues as well as other MAP officers that contributed to the preparation of the Coordinating Unit's inputs to the meeting. The consultant that supports the MAP Secretariat with the preparation of the UNEP/MAP Medium-Term Strategy 2022-2027 (MTS) also participated, since the meeting focused on the preparation of the MTS. The list of participants is presented in Annex I to this report.

2. Ms. Tatjana Hema, UNEP/MAP Deputy Coordinator opened the meeting at 10:30 a.m. (Athens time) on 8 July 2020. She welcomed officially the two new Regional Activity Centre (RAC) directors, namely Ms. Lorenza Babbini, new director of INFO/RAC, and Mr. François Guerquin, new director of Plan Bleu/RAC. All participants congratulated the new directors for their appointments and thanked the outgoing director of Plan Bleu/RAC, Ms. Elen Lemaitre-Curri, who also participated in the meeting, for her contribution to the work of the MAP-Barcelona Convention system.

3. Ms. Hema informed the ECP that colleagues from the Coordinating Unit that contributed to the exercise for the preparation of core products were also invited to attend the meeting.

4. The meeting reviewed and adopted the Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat, as in document UNEP/MED ECP.42/1.

# II. Agenda Item 2: Preparation of the New Medium-Term Strategy: Major Regional Products and Building Blocks

5. The MAP Deputy Coordinator thanked all participants for the inputs received in relation to the core products of the new MTS. Regarding this agenda item, she suggested that the first day of the meeting would be dedicated to each MAP Component presenting its core products (presented at Annex III to this report), and that in the morning of the second day of the meeting, the consultant that supports the MAP Secretariat with the preparation of the new MTS would present the result of a mapping exercise regarding regional and global relevant processes (strategic documents of major organizations, including the new UNEP MTS). She highlighted that this analysis would be helpful for the preparation of the new UNEP/MAP MTS. This presentation would be followed by a discussion between the participants on the major building blocks under which the core products can be distributed. Finally, she noted that this process combines a top-down and a bottom-up approach. She then gave the floor to the MAP Components, stressing the importance of the innovative aspects, and of focusing on the difference that the MAP-Barcelona Convention system wishes to make.

6. In the ensuing discussion each MAP Component presented its core products (see Annex III) in the following order: SPA/RAC, SCP/RAC, Plan Bleu/RAC, MED POL, PAP/RAC, INFO/RAC, REMPEC, Coordinating Unit. Each presentation was followed by questions and answers. Some points that participants raised in relation to the core products and to this exercise are summarized below:

- The Director of SPA/RAC noted that the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework is not fully developed yet, and this may influence the relevant products of the new MTS. He also noted that after this first discussion, the intersessional period and the next meeting should focus on putting everything together and on putting also more exact titles to the products.
- The representative of SCP/RAC noted the role of MAP in responding to the COVID-19 crisis, especially in relation to marine litter/plastic pollution, and highlighted the very good collaboration between MED POL and SCP/RAC. She also mentioned that the name of SCP/RAC is too long for branding purposes.
- The Director of Plan Bleu/RAC noted that the RAC did not provide the exact products under the Theme on the "Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development", including the

SIMPEER process, since there was a need to further interact with the Coordinating Unit on these products. Plan Bleu/RAC also presented some products under a Theme related to climate change that were not included in the RAC's original submission. Plan Bleu/RAC Director, on a relevant question, noted that environmental accounting is a very demanding strand of work that needs specific resources. The issue of how to address emerging issues was also discussed (e.g. through short publications).

- The Head of MED POL stressed that work would also take place in relation to the COVID-19 crisis implications. Furthermore, responding to a relevant question, he noted that the preparation of a new SAP MED has not been included in the list of MED POL products, at least at this stage, since the next period could focus more on the implementation of existing strategies and regional plans.
- The Director of PAP/RAC clarified that the main products of PAP/RAC were described in Table 1 of the Annex of Decision IG.24/5 on the *Common Regional Framework for Integrated Coastal Zone Management* (pp. 286-288 of the COP 21 Report).
- The Director of INFO/RAC, following a relevant question, noted that partnerships will be more elaborated in the proposed products of INFO/RAC, including on promoting education in the field of competence of MAP. The issues of data protection (and of the relevant GDPR EU Regulation) and of the fact that data included in assessments are usually 2-3 years old, were also raised during the discussion.
- The Director of REMPEC noted that human resources are needed to support implementation and delivery of the core products. In the discussion, it was noted that the products "Full implementation of the Mediterranean Offshore Action Plan (SDG 14)" and "Full implementation of the Mediterranean Ballast Water Management Strategy and other biosafetyrelated conventions" were general and needed to be further specified. Another issue raised was that the Offshore Action Plan ends in 2024 and that the future of this process needs to be discussed and included in the new MTS.
- The MAP Programme Officer on governance issues presented the core products of the Coordinating Unit, noting that these were prepared by the different units within the Coordinating Unit with emphasis on their field of competence. Some overlaps existed both within the products of the Coordinating Unit but also between the products of the Coordinating Unit and of other MAP Components.
- Participants agreed that the presentations and discussion showed that "we are all on the same track"; these also explained the several overlaps.
- The issue of incorporating several strands of work of UNEP/MAP into university curricula was raised by a number of participants. It was agreed that this would require an integrated approach, coordinated across the whole system.
- The meeting recognized the importance of Nature-Based Solutions, noting that further discussion is needed on if this would be a dedicated product (e.g. strategy) or incorporated into other products/strategies.
- It was noted that decision making is a systemic process, and that it is important that Contracting Parties are fully on board. The important role of MAP Focal Points in coordinating work at the national level was highlighted (and could be included within the governance aspects of the text of the new MTS).

7. Following the discussion, the Deputy Coordinator thanked participants for their inputs and noted that the next steps would be to start grouping the core products and to develop the main building blocks under which the products could be grouped. She indicated that this could start at the second day of the meeting and continue intersessionally.

8. The second day of the meeting started with a presentation by the consultant that supports the MAP Secretariat with the preparation of the new MTS on the mapping exercise of strategies of relevant organizations at the regional and global level, giving special emphasis to the process of preparation of the new UNEP MTS. Some points raised in the ensuing discussion follow:

- Participants agreed on the importance of the mapping exercise and on the need to seek complementarities.

- It was not clear how sustainable consumption and production will be included in the UNEP MTS under preparation. Other strategies of organizations relevant to economic activities/circular economy, such as UNIDO, maybe useful in this respect; also, the EU's new Circular Economy Action Plan and the strategies of organizations such as Plastics Europe and the Helen McArthur Foundation.
- Other strategies that maybe relevant to MAP, beyond the ones presented during the meeting, could include: the relevant strategy of ACCOBAMS, the FAO global fisheries strategy, relevant strategies of EEA.
- Further points raised as of relevance, were the possible impact of the COVID-19 crisis and the relevant responses; the political situation in the Southern Mediterranean.

9. The meeting then proceeded in a brainstorming exercise in order to propose 10-20 building blocks under which the different products proposed by MAP Components could be grouped. The Deputy Coordinator noted that these building blocks could be of different nature, e.g. systemic, static, dynamic, substance/thematic, cross-cutting, processes, etc.

10. The result of this exercise is presented as Annex IV to this Report. The outcome of this first brainstorming exercise includes two main types of building blocks: the first three building blocks are of a more thematic nature and the following ten building blocks of a more cross-cutting nature.

11. The meeting agreed on the following way forward: the Coordinating Unit to share the outcome of this exercise; the Coordinating Unit and consultant to prepare a template (matrix/table) that will allow the matching of building blocks and products; MAP Components to populate the matrix on the INFO/RAC portal, putting core products under one or more building blocks; the Coordinating Unit and the consultant to further work in aggregating the core products, as appropriate, and start preparing the narrative part. Then, intersessional work will continue until the next ECP meeting in autumn 2020.

	Action Item	Responsibility	Deadline
1.	Template (matrix) with list of building blocks to be prepared	Coordinating Unit	Next week
2.	MAP Components to populate the template online	All MAP Components	Mid-July 2020
3.	Matrix of building blocks and core products to be further elaborated, together with narrative part	Coordinating Unit	July-August 2020

# III. Agenda Item 3: Date and Venue of the 43<sup>rd</sup> ECP Meeting

12. The meeting discussed the possible dates for the next ECP meeting, to be held in early autumn. The period 22-24 September 2020 was identified as a possibility that would allow the preparation and review of documents to be submitted to the 90<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting and to the MTS Steering Committee meeting that will precede it (10-13 November 2020).

## IV. Agenda item 4: Any Other Matters

- 13. No other matters were discussed during the meeting.
- 14. The meeting was closed by the Deputy Coordinator at 13:30 on 9 July 2020.

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Annex I

List of participants

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List of core products as submitted by MAP Components

# CORE PRODUCTS

# **Coordinating Unit**

Governance

- 1. Strategic Framework to Support the Enforcement of the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols
- 2. Mainstream "Gender" into the Mandate of the MAP-Barcelona Convention system
- 3. Strategic actions for meaningful partnerships to implement the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols

# Front Office

A. (Overall)

4. Core Product #0: A more result-based strategic and programmatic framework in UNEP/MAP, building on indicators

# B. Cluster - (new and renewed) Strategic Policy Frameworks [Sustainable Development,

Blue/Circular Economy, incl. MSP; Climate Change]:

- 5. Core Product #1: Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development (MSSD) 2026-2035
- 6. Core Product #2: Regional Strategy on Climate Change Adaptation (2026-2035...)
- 7. Core Product #3: Support to sustainable development of marine renewable energy sector
- 8. Core Product #4: Introduction of Marine Spatial Planning (MSP) as a legally binding process/measure in the BC legal framework
- 9. Core Product #5: Regional Strategy (or Action Plan) on single-use plastics and microplastics
- 10. Core Product #6: New Mediterranean Offshore Action Plan
- 11. State of play (and mapping) of existing area-based conservation tools in the Mediterranean, review their objectives and complementarities, especially in relation to MPA/SPAMIs recommendations for new area designations and measures to enhance connectivity among MPA/SPAMI and OECMs, including in ABNJ.
- C. Cluster Ecosystem Approach/IMAP implementation:
  - 12. Core Product #8: New roadmap/plan for the implementation of the ecosystem approach in the Mediterranean and achievement of GES, beyond 2023
  - 13. Core Product #9: Full operationalization and implementation of IMAP in the Mediterranean region and IMAP Info System
  - 14. Core Product #10: 2023 Mediterranean Quality Status Report
- D. Cluster Solutions and best available practices
  - 15. Core Product #11: Mediterranean Sea and Coasts Restoration Strategy [Mediterranean Decade for Ecosystem Restoration?]
  - 16. Core Product #12: Framework, action plan and measures for application of Nature-based Solutions in the Mediterranean for climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction and sustainable development/green economy
  - 17. Core Product #13: Support to Disaster Risk Reduction and Coastal Populations Resilience for Sustainable Development in the Mediterranean
  - 18. Core Product #14: UNEP/MAP as UN champion for the environment in the Mediterranean (for a "Green Mediterranean UN")
- E. Cluster Stakeholder Dialogue, Capacity Building, Awareness Raising, and Communication

- 19. Core Product #15: Structuring Science Policy Interface(s) (SPI) to support evidence-based policymaking at the regional and national level
- 20. Core Product #18: UNEP/MAP Healthy Mediterranean Sea and Coast Public Awareness/Education Package
- 21. Core Product #19: Simplified Peer Review Mechanism 2.0 (SIMPEER)

# Project Pool

- 22. Knowledge Management (KM) Tool
- 23. Gender Mainstreaming
- 24. Update of the Regional Climate Change Adaptation Framework (RCCAF) for the Mediterranean Marine and Coastal Areas

# Communication & Information

- 25. High-Level Summit on environment and development in the Mediterranean
- 26. Set-up of and operationalization of a fully-fledged Advocacy programme

# **MEDPOL**

Cluster A: Pollution prevention and control measures further streamlined with EcAP and SDG Targets

- 27. Sectoral regional plans to support implementation of the LBS Protocol.
- 28. Appropriate permitting conditions as well as strengthened compliance and enforcement to control dumping activities into the Mediterranean by the Contracting Parties.
- 29. Information exchanged and disseminated to the Contracting Parties on best practices for management and disposal of hazardous waste in the region.
- 30. Communication tools (LoA, LoI, MoUs, etc.) with global organizations such as Global Programme of Action (GPA), London Protocol/London Convention, Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions and Minamata Convention, etc. improved to streamline prevention and control measures to Mediterranean scale.

Cluster B: Monitoring of pollution sources and pressures/impacts to marine environment

- 31. National Baseline Budget of Pollutants (NBB) further improved and streamlined with e-PRTR and SDG Global Platform on data management compatibility
- 32. Pressure/Impact related NAP/H2020 Indicators and IMAP Common Indicators interrelated within DPSIR framework and supported with sustainable dataflows including well defined QA/QC processes.

# <u>Cluster C: Reliable, integrated and EcAp IMAP based IMAP monitoring of state of marine environment</u>

- 33. Integrated, reliable and cost-effective IMAP Pollution Cluster monitoring based on application of optimal and harmonized monitoring practices established nationally and sub-regionally, along with its optimal integration with monitoring efforts related to IMAP Clusters on Biodiversity and Coast and Hydrography
- 34. Integrated monitoring of state of marine environment generating data related to integral monitoring of IMAP Common Indicators related to Pollution Cluster and pollution sources and pressures/impacts to marine environment (under Core product 6)
- 35. Continuous improvement of capacities of competent national authorities, including provision of analytical equipment, in relation to data collection, processing, assurance and control of data quality
- 36. Improvement of quality of monitoring data supported through regularly undertaken and coordinated sub-regional field survey campaigns

<u>Cluster D: Data management system including quality assurance and quality control on data</u> processing and reporting

- 37. Data Standards (DSs) and Data Dictionaries (DDs) prepared and built into IMAP/NBB Info System for all IMAP and NAP indicators
- 38. Integrated NBB and IMAP Info Systems modules, both interfaced with global (WESR; EMODNET; EEA, etc) and national information systems for data harvesting

Cluster E: Reliable Integrated EcAp based IMAP assessment of state of marine environment

- 39. Assessment criteria (i.e. baseline and threshold values) prepared based on Mediterranean monitoring data and applied across the region to support integrated GES assessment;
- 40. Integrated GES assessment for Ecological Objectives 5, 9 and 10 provided for delivering 2023 Quality Status Report by applying assessment criteria; scales of assessment and interrelating pressures and impacts, as indicated above, while addressing integration and aggregation of ecological objectives related to IMAP Pollution Cluster with another two IMAP Clusters related to Biodiversity and Coast and Hydrography.

Cluster F: Evaluation of effectiveness of implemented measures

41. Regular evaluations of the effectiveness of regional and national pollution prevention and control measures taking into account findings of indicator-based assessments of pressures/impacts/state of marine ecosystem.

# SPA/RAC

- 42. At Least one Mediterranean country establishes national marine and coastal biodiversity targets in accordance with **Post 2020 SAP BIO** through its national Post 2020 biodiversity strategy and action plan and record biannual progress towards these targets
- 43. Regional strategies and action plans, developed in the framework of the **SPA/BD Protocol**, streamlined into national strategies, action plans and legal frameworks
- 44. **National MPA Strategies** developed or updated for all Mediterranean countries, (including highly protected zones) along with an action plan, timeline and measurable targets
- 45. Status and distribution of **marine key habitats** established and continuously monitored and shared through the Mediterranean biodiversity platform
- 46. Fill Gaps to improve conservation status & Marine coastal species covered by Regional Action Plans
- 47. **Non-indigenous species** status in the Mediterranean established and continuously monitored and shared within a georeferenced database (MAMIAS)
- 48. National IMAPs in MPAs and high-pressure areas fully operational, mainstreamed in national priorities using sustainable funding resources
- 49. Interaction Fisheries & Biodiversity
- 50. "Increase contributions to **climate change** mitigation adaption and disaster risk reduction from nature-based solutions and ecosystems-based approach, ensuring resilience and minimising negative impacts on Mediterranean biodiversity
- 51. **Georeferenced Information** on Mediterranean Biodiversity key components centralised in a "Mediterranean Biodiversity Platform (MBP)
- 52. Incorporation of the SPA/BD Protocol and its relevant strategies tools into Mediterranean countries relevant university curricula
- 53. Partnership Mechanism for marine and coastal biodiversity Conservation revitalized / Functional
- 54. The SPAMIs are promoted as management models for other Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean and used as a framework for **education and awareness activities**, involving civil society and NGOs.

# **REMPEC**

- 55. Implementation of the Mediterranean Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (Post-2021)
- 56. Med SOx Emissions Control Area (ECA) in force and enforced (SDGs 3, 9, 11, 14)
- 57. Possible designation of the Med NOx Emissions Control Area (ECA) in progress (SDGs 3, 9, 11, 14)
- 58. Adequate reception facilities available in main ports and reasonable costs for the use of these facilities charged or No-Special-Fee system applied (SDGs 9, 11, 12)
- 59. MENELAS "Blue Fund" established to finance activities and support related to illicit ship pollution discharges in the Mediterranean (SDGs 9, 11, 12, 14)
- 60. Support the establishment and implementation of special protected areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas (PSSAs) (SDG 14)
- 61. All CPs have a National system for preparedness and response established and regularly assessed including a National Contingency Plan adopted, in force and regularly updated and tested (SDGs 11, 12)
- 62. Additional Sub-regional Continency Plans (SCPs) developed and a network of SCPs established and operational (SDGs 11, 12)
- 63. Full implementation of the Mediterranean Offshore Action Plan (SDG 14)
- 64. Full implementation of the Mediterranean Ballast Water Management Strategy and other biosafety-related conventions
- 65. Full implementation of the IMO strategy on reduction of GHG emissions from ships (Reduction of CO2 emissions per transport work (carbon intensity), as an average across international shipping, by at least 40% by 2030) (SDGs 13 and 14)

## SCP/RAC

- 66. PRODUCT 1: THE SWITCHERS SUPPORT PROGRAMME TO ENABLE TRANSITION TOWARDS CIRCULAR ECONOMY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN
- 67. PRODUCT 2: REGIONAL AND NATIONAL PLASTIC PACTS
- 68. PRODUCT 3: IMPLEMENTING UNEP/MAP PLASTIC STRATEGY TO EFFECTIVELY REDUCE THE HARM CAUSED BY MARINE LITTER
- 69. PRODUCT 4: TECHNICAL FACILITY TO PREVENT POPs-CONTAINING WASTE AND DEVELOP A CIRCULAR ECONOMY FREE OF TOXIC CHEMICALS
- 70. PRODUCT 5: INCREASE ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON CHEMICALS IN PRODUCTS
- 71. PRODUCT 6: ENABLING TRANSITION TOWARDS A BLUE ECONOMY IN LINE WITH SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY PRINCIPLES (TBD)

## PAP/RAC

72. As in Decision IG.24/5, Table 1, pp. 286-288 of the COP21 Report.

## **INFO/RAC**

- 73. InfoMAP System as the Mediterranean reference platform for marine environmental data collection, management, elaboration and sharing
- 74. MAP system as a framework for environmental communication, education, dissemination and awareness at Mediterranean level

# Plan Bleu/RAC

## Theme: health and sustainable development

- 75. Plan Bleu Cahier: COVID-19 impacts on environment and development in the Mediterranean (publication expected in 2023, depending on date of availability of international statistics covering at least the year 2020 such as World Bank, FAO, other UN agencies, ...) Based on SoED 2020, which changes occurred and which ones are linked to COVID? What are the implications for sustainability, decision making and implementation of the BC?
- 76. Plan Bleu cahier, organization of a Med-wide conference and establishment of partnership agreement: A one-health approach for the Mediterranean, in partnership with WHO and FAO (2022/2023)

Theme: Blue, Green and Circular Economy - mainstreaming innovations

- 77. Med Conference / Forum on Blue economy boosting a sustainable and inclusive Blue economy transition in the Med region
- 78. Plan Bleu cahier: "Circular economy in the water sector: principle & good practices in the Mediterranean Region"

## Theme: MSDD and SIMPEER

- To be defined in collaboration with the Coordinating Unit

## Theme: observatory

- 79. SoED 2026 (report to be approved at COP in 2025 and published in 2026).
- 80. Establishment of legal indicators for the Barcelona Convention and its protocols
- 81. Rejuvenating environmental observation in the Mediterranean
- 82. Developing a framework of specific indicators for assessing the impact of marine and coastal tourism on destinations and for promoting ecotourism

Theme: use of economic policy tools to develop environmentally efficient policy mix

83. Diversifying the policy mix in the Mediterranean

(4 products, which could be split in this list: 1. Cross-sectoral workshop on environmental economic instruments in the Mediterranean, sharing good practices across sectors (climate, water, biodiversity, pollution, fisheries; 2. Regional report on environmental economic instruments: best practices (output of the workshop + complementary writing by invited expert): collective product; 3. Regional report on environmentally harmful subsidies, in collaboration with OECD; 4. With SPA/RAC : funding biodiversity protected areas : consolidation of a training module).

## Theme: prospective

84. Transitioning to a Sustainable and Inclusive Future in the Mediterranean at 2050 – Building Back Better using strategic participatory foresight

(4 products, which could be split in this list: 1. MED2050 Module on transition pathways – finalization, publication and dissemination; 2. Regional foresight focused on the sea; 3. MED 2050 dissemination at national / watershed levels: pilot(s) on the water-food-energy-ecosystems-health nexus; in relations with national / local ISP. Methodological guidelines developed on this basis; 4. Network of Mediterranean foresight institutes: consolidation on the basis of MED 2050, and follow-up work).

## Theme: Socio-economic analysis

85. Conceptual framework for socioeconomic analysis in the UNEP/MAP system (2022-2027)

(4 products, which could be split in this list: 1. development of methodology and capacity building; 2. roadmap for monitoring and reporting; 3. Case studies; 4. Compendium on ecosystem valuation and cost of environment degradation).

86. Plan Bleu Cahier: "Socio-economic impact of Nature-Based solutions in Mediterranean cities"

## Theme: Science-Policy Interface

87. Developing, sustaining and networking science policy interfaces on climate change in the Mediterranean Region, at regional and local levels
(6 products, which could be split in this list: 1. Thematic MedECC report on climate change impacts, risks and adaptation on the coast, including scientific evaluation of current/proposed coastal adaptation solutions and barriers to change; 2. Thematic MedECC report on waterfood-energy-ecosystem and health nexus; 3. Using both themes above to strengthen local SPI on climate and environmental change and adaptation solutions; 4. Ministerial meeting on adapting Mediterranean coasts to climate change; 5. Coastal cities network of planners (urban planning agencies of coastal cities): workshop(s) on sharing good practices and bottlenecks; 6. MAR2: second MedECC assessment report on the impact of climate and environmental change in the Mediterranean (2026?))

Annex IV

Building blocks for the new MTS identified during the meeting

## Outcome of the discussion on "building blocks"

## 1. Climate Action

- Adaptation and Mitigation
- Nature-based Solution
- Air Emission
- ICZM/Disaster

## 2. Nature Action

- MPAS, SPAMIs and PSSAs
- Habitats, Endangered Species and Non-Indigenous Species
- Ecosystem Restoration

## 3. Chemical and pollution Action / Coastal and Marine Pollution and Degradation

- Plastic Pollution
- Chemical/Contaminants Pollution
- Air Emission
- Degradation (land degradation, ...)

#### 4. Science-Policy

(- Preparedness to the future)

#### 5. Environmental Governance

- Systemic Strengthening
- Implementation and Enforcement
- Policies, Measures and Strategies
- Ecosystem Approach Roadmap
- Partnerships

## 6. Data Action

- Data Management and Information System
- Knowledge Management (? also includes Assessment)
- Digital transformation (? under communication)

## 7. Finance and Economic transformation / Finance, Economic and Social Transformation

- Sustainable Blue Economy / ICZM and MSP (e.g. Marine Renewable Energy, Aquaculture, Tourism, Offshore Activities)

- Green and Circular Economy (e.g. Textile, Food, Construction)

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## 8. Environment and Health

- 9. Observation and Monitoring of Marine and Coastal Environment (may include assessment)
- **10. Shared Vision for the Mediterranean/ Foresights and Assessment (TBC)**
- 11. Capacity Building
- 12. Awareness Raising, Communication, Education and Advocacy
- [13. Enabling Conditions]