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Tentative Calendar of UNEP/MAP Meetings and Major International Events (as of 1 November 2018)

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Major International Events in 2018-2019**

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SECTION I

Legenda:

	<i>Main MAP-Barcelona Convention governance meetings</i>
	<i>Main MAP Components' technical meetings/events</i>

ORGANIZERS	MEETING	DATE	VENUE
2018			
Secretariat, MEDPOL	Regional Meeting on Marine Litter Best Practices	9-10 October	Izmir, Turkey
Secretariat, MEDPOL	3 rd Meeting of the Regional Cooperation Platform on Marine Litter	11-12 October	Izmir, Turkey
MED POL	2 nd Steering Committee of the EU-funded Marine Litter MED project	12 October	Izmir, Turkey
SCP/RAC	Final Conference of the ACT4LITTER Interreg Med project	23-24 October	Athens, Greece
PAP/RAC	2 nd Training course on ICZM/MSP for the CO-EVOLVE project partners	29-31 October	Barcelona, Spain
REMPEC	Field visit by Port Authorities representatives in the Port of Antwerp	30-31 October	Antwerp, Belgium
PAP/RAC	Launching of the CAMP Bosnia and Herzegovina	November (tbc)	Neum, Bosnia and Herzegovina
PAP/RAC and other GEF Adriatic project partners	Training workshop on Hydrography (EO7) for the GEF Adriatic project partners	November (tbc)	Podgorica, Montenegro, or Tirana, Albania
Secretariat	87 th Meeting of the Bureau	6-7 November	Athens, Greece
REMPEC	Regional Workshop on Ratification and Effective Implementation of MARPOL Annex VI	13-15 November	Valletta, Malta
SCP/RAC	SwitchMed Connect	13-15 November	Barcelona, Spain
MED POL	Regional Expert Meeting to consider main elements of six Pollution Reduction/Prevention Regional Plans	20-21 November	Athens, Greece

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REMPEC	5 th Meeting of the Competent National Authorities in charge of the implementation of the Sub-Regional Contingency Plan between Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia	20-21 November	Algiers, Algeria
SCP/RAC	Regional Training on Fostering a switch to Green Economy in the Mediterranean: Capacity building for SMEs and Policy-makers on eco-design, eco innovation and enabling policies (SWIM-H2020 SM project)	End of November	Barcelona, Spain
REMPEC	Sub-regional seminar on compensation for oil pollution damage in the framework of the trilateral agreement between Cyprus, Greece and Israel	4-5 December	Nicosia, Cyprus
REMPEC	1 st Meeting of National Operational Authorities responsible for the implementation of the Sub-regional Maritime Oil Pollution Contingency Plan between Cyprus, Greece and Israel	6 December	Nicosia, Cyprus
PAP/RAC and other GEF Adriatic project partners	Training workshop on Marine litter (EO10) indicators for the GEF Adriatic project partners	Mid-December	Podgorica, Montenegro or Tirana, Albania
2019			
Secretariat	37 th ECP Meeting	9-10 January	Geneva, Switzerland
SPA/RAC	Mediterranean Symposia on Marine Key Habitats and Non-Indigenous Species	14-18 January	Antalya, Turkey
SPA/RAC	Meeting of experts to review the Classification of benthic marine habitat types for the Mediterranean region and the Reference List of Marine and Coastal Habitat Types in the Mediterranean	22-23 January	Rome, Italy
Secretariat	20 th Meeting of the MCSD Steering Committee	23-24 January	Athens, Greece
SPA/RAC	2 nd Meeting of the Ad hoc Group of Experts for Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean	30-31 January	Tunis, Tunisia

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PAP/RAC	3 rd Meeting of the Drafting Group on Common Regional Framework for ICZM	January	(tbc)
Plan Bleu/RAC	Nature Based Solution to mitigate Climate Change impacts in the Mediterranean (title tbc)	January	Marseille, France
REMPEC	3 rd Meeting of the Mediterranean Network of Law Enforcement Officials relating to MARPOL within the framework of the Barcelona Convention (MENELAS)	7-8 February (tbc)	Valletta, Malta (tbc)
SPA/RAC	Meeting of the EcAp Correspondence Group on Monitoring (CORMON), Biodiversity and Fisheries	12-13 February (one day and a half)	Marseille, France
SPA/RAC	Meeting of National Correspondents of the Strategic Action Programme for the conservation of Biological Diversity in the Mediterranean region (SAP BIO)	13-14 February (one day)	Marseille, France
SPA/RAC	Workshop on the progress in the elaboration of the Report on the State of the Environment and Development in the Mediterranean-Chapters on Marine Biological Diversity (SoED 2019)	14 February (afternoon)	Marseille, France
MED POL	Regional Meeting on PRTR best practices and guidelines and law enforcement	19-20 February (tbc)	Tirana, Albania (tbc)
PAP/RAC	1 st Training course on ICZM/MSP processes and functionalities of Geoportal for PORTODIMARE project partners	February	Split, Croatia
SPA/RAC	Sub-regional Meeting on Biodiversity (monk seal) Best Practices	March	Tunis, Tunisia (tbc)
MED POL-Basel Convention Bratislava Regional Center	Regional Meeting on Best Practices of EPR Luboil and batteries	20-21 March	Bratislava, Slovakia
MED POL	Meeting of the Ecosystem Approach (EcAp) Correspondence Group on Monitoring (CORMON), Pollution	2-3 April	Montenegro

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MED POL	Meetings of the Ecosystem Approach (EcAp) Correspondence Group on Monitoring (CORMON), Marine Litter	4 April	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	38 th ECP Meeting	End March – Beginning April	Marseille, France
MEDPOL, SCP/RAC, SPA/RAC, REMPEC	Regional Meeting on Marine Litter Best Practices	9-11 April	Sevilla, Spain (tbc)
INFO/RAC	INFO/RAC Focal Points Meeting	16-17 April	Rome, Italy
PAP/RAC	Regional training on MSP and Initial meeting with national representatives on a common approach to MSP for the Adriatic sub-region (back-to-back)	April (tbc)	Rome, Italy
PAP/RAC	2 nd Training course on ICZM/MSP processes and functionalities of Geoportal for PORTODIMARE project partners	April (tbc)	Pula, Croatia
PAP/RAC	PAP/RAC Focal Points Meeting	8-9 May (tbc)	Split, Croatia
SCP/RAC	SCP/RAC Focal Points Meeting	14-15 May	Barcelona, Spain
Secretariat	88 th Meeting of the Bureau	21-22 May (tbc)	Rome, Italy (tbc)
Secretariat, MED POL	2 nd Regional Expert Meeting on Pollution Reduction Regional Plans	28 May	Athens, Greece
MED POL	MED POL Focal Points Meeting	29-31 May (tbc)	Istanbul/Ankara, , Turkey (tbc)
INFO/RAC	INFO/RAC Focal Points Meeting	After 5 / Before 20 June	Rome, Italy
Plan Bleu/RAC	Workshop on simplified peer review mechanism (SIMPEER)	June	(tbc)
Secretariat	18 th Meeting of the MCSD	11-13 June	Montenegro
REMPEC	REMPEC Focal Points Meeting	11-13 June	Valletta, Malta
SPA/RAC	14 th Meeting of SPA/Biological Diversity Focal Points	18-21 June	Portorož, Slovenia
Plan Bleu/RAC	Plan Bleu/RAC Focal Points Meeting	18-21 June	Marseille, France (tbc)
Secretariat	15 th Meeting of the Compliance Committee	25-26 June	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	39 th ECP Meeting	8 September	Athens, Greece

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Secretariat	Meeting of EcAp Coordination Group	9 September	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	Meeting of the MAP Focal Points	10-13 September	Athens, Greece
PAP/RAC	Mediterranean Coast Day	25 September	Nicosia, Cyprus (tbc)
PAP/RAC	Final meeting with national representatives on a common approach to MSP for the Adriatic sub-region	October	Split, Croatia
ACCOBAMS and SPA/RAC	5 th Biennial Conference on Cetacean Conservation in South Mediterranean Countries	October	(tbc)
Secretariat	21 st Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (COP 21)	2-5 December	Naples, Italy

SECTION II

Major International Events of MAP Relevance in 2018-2019

ORGANIZERS	MEETING	DATE	VENUE
2018			
EMSA	2 nd Steering Committee for the SAFEMED IV Project	9-10 October	EMSA
European Environment Agency	EEA/Eionet National Focal Points Meeting	10-11 October	Bucharest, Romania
CBD Secretariat, GFCM Secretariat	Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) Regional Workshop for the Mediterranean	15-19 October	Tangiers, Morocco
Ramsar	13 th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance	21-29 October	Dubai, United Arab Emirates
FAO/GFCM	42 nd Session of the Commission	22-26 October	Rome, Italy
IMO	73 rd Session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC)	22-26 October	London, United Kingdom
HELCOM/WMU	4 th Inter-regional Workshop on Risk Assessment Tools for Pollution Preparedness and Response	30 October	Malmo, Sweden
Government of the Republic of Indonesia	Our Ocean Conference 2018	29-30 October	Bali, Indonesia

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UNEP	4 th Intergovernmental Review Meeting of the Global Programme of Action / 3 rd Global Conference on Land-Ocean Connections	31 October-1 November	Bali, Indonesia
Mediterranean Oil Industry Group (MOIG)	Regional Workshop on “Building an Effective National and Regional Preparedness and Response Capacity” and an Oil Spill Response Exercise code-named “Golden Horn-Istanbul”	6-8 November	Istanbul, Turkey
IMO	40 th Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Convention and 13 th Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Protocol (LC 40/LP 13)	5-9 November	London, United Kingdom
European Environment Agency	3 rd Steering Committee of the ENI SEIS II South Support Mechanism Project – 9 th Meeting of the H2020 Review and Monitoring Group	6-7 November	Vienna, Austria
EMSA	Workshop on ship-source pollution (Implementation of Directive 2005/35/EC)	13 November	Lisbon, Portugal
CBD	14 th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity	17-29 November	Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt
Minamata Convention on Mercury	2 nd Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury	19-23 November	Geneva, Switzerland
Republic of Kenya, Canada	Global Conference on Sustainable Blue Economy	26-28 November	Nairobi, Kenya
G20	G20 Summit	30 November	Buenos, Aires, Argentina
UNFCCC	24 th Session of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC	3-14 December	Katowice, Poland
UNEP	2 nd Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics (UNEA/EA.3/Res.7)	3-7 December	Geneva, Switzerland
CMS/AEWA	7 th Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds	4-8 December	Republic of South Africa
FAO/GFCM	GFCM Forum on Fisheries Science in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea (Fish Forum 2018)	10-14 December	Rome, Italy

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2019			
IMO	6 th session of the Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR)	18-22 February	London, United Kingdom
EMSA	15 th Inter-Secretariat Meeting between Regional Agreement Secretariats, DG ECHO and EMSA	February	Lisbon, Portugal
UNEP	UN Environment Assembly	11-15 March	Nairobi, Kenya
BRS Secretariat	Meetings of the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions (BC COP-14, RC COP-9, SC COP-9)	29 April-10 May	Geneva, Switzerland
IMO	74 th Session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC)	13-17 May	London, United Kingdom
FAO	41 st Session of the FAO Conference	3-8 July	Rome, Italy
Government of Norway	Our Ocean Conference 2019	October (tbc)	Norway
IMO	41 st Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Convention and 14 th Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Protocol (LC 41/LP 14)	7-11 October	London, United Kingdom
IFREMER	IMDIS 2019 – International Conference on Marine Data and Information System	November (tbc)	(tbc)
UNFCCC	25 th Session of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC	11-22 November	(tbc)