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Agenda Item 4: Assessment Fact Sheet for the indicators

Indicator Assessment Fact Sheet Template

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Introduction

The Assessment Fact Sheets serve as templates in which the countries will provide the monitoring results for the EcAp indicators. These fact sheets will allow the assessment of the indicators to be linked via metadata to the underlying datasets, methods, authors, increasing transparency, and repeatability. The Assessment Fact Sheets will be linked and published on the UNEP/MAP Barcelona Convention Integrated Data and Information System. The fact sheets will also serve as an input to the web-based Mediterranean Quality Status Report (QSR). The template of the Assessment fact sheet can be found in the Information document. The template for Assessment Fact Sheets will be presented and discussed.

Table 1 Indicator Assessment Fact Sheet Template

Content	Actions	Guidance
General		
Reporter	Underline appropriate	UNEP/MAP/MED POL SPA/RAC REMPEC PAP/RAC Plan Bleu (BP)
Geographical scale of the assessment	Select as appropriate	Regional: Mediterranean Sea Eco-regional: NWM (North Western Mediterranean); ADR (Adriatic Sea); CEN (Ionian and Central Mediterranean Seas); AEL (Aegean and Levantine Sea) Sub-regional: Please, provide appropriate information
Contributing countries	Text	List of contributing countries (write the countries which available data and information for the assessment)
Core Theme	Select as appropriate	1-Land and Sea Based Pollution 2-Biodiversity and Ecosystems 3-Land and Sea Interaction and Processes
Ecological Objective	Write the exact text, number	Name of Ecological Objective(s). <i>Select from check-list of all EO (see Annex I)</i>
IMAP Common Indicator	Write the exact text, number	Name of Common Indicator. <i>Select from check-list of all Common Indicators (see Annex I)</i>
Indicator Assessment Factsheet Code	Text	Code of EO + Code of Common Indicator. E.g.: EO9CI17 EO9 (Contamination) + CI17 (Concentration of harmful chemicals)
Rationale/Methods		
Background (short)	Text (250 words)	Background and rationale for the indicator. Identify:

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the main concerns about this indicator? • What is the indicator policy context? • What are the key pressures and drivers? <p>Provide images for the background section in .jpg format of at least medium/high resolution. Indicate: copyright_year_themelocationcountry_copyright.jpg eg.: UNEPMAP2008nitratespollSalinasbeach.jpg</p> <p>(files to be supplied in the Metadata folder and described here, see above)</p>
Assessment methods	Text (200-300 words), images, formulae, URLs	<p>Description of methods, periods assessed, rules, etc. used to calculate the indicator and deliver the assessment with the associated files:</p> <p>Image.jpg (formulas, schemes)</p> <p>Table/dataBayAlgeria.xlsx (Original and processed data, including a reference to the sources), URL links to relevant guidelines, assessments, methods, etc. (for the later include a direct access icon in the Metadata folder or a text file with the instructions to follow)</p> <p>(files to be supplied in the Metadata folder and described here, see above)</p>
Background (<i>extended</i>)	Text (no limit), images, tables, references	<p>Additional background with technical background and include scientific references</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This section might include Figures and Tables • This section needs to include References (Regional Seas Convention Reports, Relevant Books, Scientific References) <p>(files to be supplied in the Metadata folder and described here, see above)</p>
Results		NOTE: If the assessment has been performed at different geographical scales, include the results and conclusions accordingly.
Results and Status, including trends (brief)	Text (500 words), images	<p>Description of key assessment results by assessment/reporting units/temporal trends (might include significant maps, images)</p> <p>(files to be supplied in the Metadata folder and described here, see above)</p>
Results and Status, including trends (extended)	Text(no limit), figures, tables	<p>Additional description of assessment results with graphic, such as maps, trends graphics, etc.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full maps of indicator distribution.jpg (Final representations *.jpg, including any GIS layers employed, such *.shp files, WFS) • Trend plots and statistical assessments • Tables <p>(files to be supplied in the Metadata folder and described here, see above)</p>

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		here, see above)
Conclusions		
Conclusions (brief)	Text (200 words)	Indicate the main conclusion/s of the assessment of the common indicator, such as relevance for GES achievement within the EO, implications, confidence on the assessment, etc. To note, this section is for a general public audience
Conclusions (extended)	Text (no limit)	Describe the technical and scientific aspects more in details with relevance in the concluded remark with respect to the indicator assessment. This section might include also references. (files to be supplied in the Metadata folder, see above)
Key messages	Text (2-3 sentences or maximum 50 words)	Short descriptions of outcomes, e.g. trends, outcome against assessment threshold values if appropriate, (maximum 3 sentences or 50 words)
Knowledge gaps	Text (200-300 words)	Short description of gaps (monitoring, science, data, methods, etc.)
List of references	Text (10 pt, Cambria style)	Examples: UNEP/MAP/BP/RAC (2009). The State of the Environment and Development in the Mediterranean 2009. United Nations Environment Programme, Mediterranean Action Plan, Blue Plan Regional Activity Centre, Vallbone. UNEP/MAP/MED POL (2016). Background to Assessment Criteria for Hazardous Substances and Biological Markers in the Mediterranean Sea Basin and its Regional Scales. United Nations Environment Programme, Mediterranean Action Plan, Athens. UNEP/MAP (2016). Decision IG.22/7 - Integrated Monitoring and Assessment Programme (IMAP) of the Mediterranean Sea and Coast and Related Assessment Criteria. UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.22/28 (EXCERPT - Decision IG.22/07), COP19, Athens, Greece. United Nations Environment Programme, Mediterranean Action Plan, Athens.