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Agenda Items 3 and 4: Progress Report on Activities Carried Out during the 2020-2021 Biennium and Financial Report for 2018-2019 and 2020-2021

Planning and Monitoring of the Implementation of PoW 2020-2021 (January 2020 – June 2021)

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THEME 1 GOVERNANCE

PoW Activities	Component Achievements/Deliverables/ Milestones					
		January-June 2020	July - December 2020	January-June 2021	July - December 2021	
Strategic Outcome 1.1. Contracting Part	ties supported	d in the implementation of the Barcelona Convention, its Protocols, Regiona	al Strategies and Action Plans.			
		ts Protocols by all Contracting Parties supported.	ar Strategies and Action Flans.			
1.1.2. Effective legal, policy, and logistic	ic support pro	vided to MAP decision-making process including advisory bodies meetings.				
1.1.2.1 Organize COP 22.	CU		Preparations for COP 22 timely initiated on organizational issues. Draft Host Country Agreement prepared, procurement preparations held. COP 22 Communication Plan initiated. First reflection on the main theme of the Ministerial session.	Preparations for COP 22 timely conducted on organizational and substantial issues. Host Country Agreement finalized, procurement and preparations held. Notification about COP 22 issued in spring 2021. Provisional agenda prepared and submitted to MAP Focal Points meeting. List of potential COP decisions identified. The main theme for the Ministerial Session preliminarily defined and its initial draft concept note and format developed. COP 22 Communication Plan finalized and shared with Host Country.	Informal meeting of HoD to be organised prior to COP 22. COP 22 to be held with working and info documents finalized and circulated in a languages within the established deadlines. Travel arrangements for participants and procurement to be timely concluded, as appropriate. Ministerial declaration to be timely prepared in consultation with the host country. COP 22 decisions to be submitted for adoption, including the new MTS and the biennial PoW. MAP visibility and outreach to be enhanced. Side events to be organised and successfully held; Press conference to be held; Good level of Media coverage. Procedure regarding the entry into force of Annexes to the Protocols to be prepared and timely followed up, as appropriate. Respective letters to the Depositary to be drafted.	
1.1.2.2. Organize the 89 th , 90 th and 91 st Meetings of the Bureau as well as meeting on the eve of COP 22.	CU	circulated within the established deadlines. Focus on the preparation of the new MTS, on strategic processes and documents for the 2020-2021 of the biennium. Advice to	90th Bureau Meeting held (teleconference, November 2020) preceded by the 1st MTS SC meeting, with working and info documents circulated within the established deadlines. Focus on the preparation of the new MTS, on other startegic documents and processes as well as cooperation and partners.	91st Bureau Meeting held (teleconference, 7-8 July 2021), preceded by the 2nd MTS SC meeting, with working and info documents circulated within the established deadlines. Focus on the preparation of COP 22, its ministerial session theme and format, on the finalization the new MTS, the 2022-2023 PoW and Budget and other issues.	1 1 1	
1.1.2.3. Organize the Meeting of the MAP Focal Points preceded by the MAP Component/Thematic Focal Points and the EcAp Coordination Group Meetings.				Preparations for the September MAP Focal Points meeting and the EcAp Coordination Group Meeting timely conducted on organizational and substantial issues. Documents including draft COP Decisions prepared in consultation with MAP Components. List of documents and the provisional and annotated agendas finalized.	September 2021), preceded by the EcAp Coordination Group	
	INFO/RAC		 List of documents identified. Working and info documents for NFPs meeting preparation ongoing. Possible virtual workshop on Copernicus products. 	 NFP meeting held online. Working and info documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines. Conclusion of the meeting prepared and modification of the relevant working documents ensured. Necessary inputs and documents timely submitted to CU in view of the MAP FP meeting. Elements for Data policy drfat decision (technical annexes) fully defined. 	- Elements for Data Policy draft Decision (technical annexes) fully defined and agreed and submitted to MAP FP Meeting and CPO 22 Timely submission to CU of necessary inputs and documents in view of the MAP FP meeting. Technical inputs provided to COP22 and MAP FP meeting as requested.	
	SPA/RAC	-Date of the 15th SPA/BD focal point meeting fixed and preparatory work undertaken.	'-A "save the date mail sent to the SPA/BD focal points and observers	 Working and info documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines. 15th meeting of SPA/BD focal points organised successfully through teleconference and all working documents tackled and endorsed. Meeting conclusions and recommendations approved. 	Timely submission to CU of necessary inputs and documents in view of the MAP FP meeting. Technical inputs provided to COP22 and MAF FP meeting as requested.	
	SCP/RAC		- List of documents identified Working and info documents for NFPs meeting preparation ongoing.	 Preparation of the logistics of the meeting carried out. Working and info documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines. Meeting held online on 1-3 June 2021. Conclusion of the meeting prepared and modification of the relevant working documents ensured. Necessary inputs and documents timely submitted to CU in view of the MAP FP meeting. 	Timely submission to CU of necessary inputs and documents in view of the MAP FP meeting. Technical inputs provided to COP22 and MAP FP meeting as requested.	
	PAP/RAC		Preparatory activities for the PAP/RAC FPs meeting launched. List of documents identified.	 Preparatory activities for the FPs meeting finalised. Working and info documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines PAP/RAC FPs meeting held online, on 24-25 May 2021. Meeting report prepared and adopted one month after the meeting and published on the PAP/RAC web site in English and French. 	Timely submission to CU of necessary inputs and documents in view of the MAP FPs meeting. Technical inputs provided to COP22 and MAP FPs meeting, as requested.	
	MED POL	None	List of documents identified. Preparation of the working documents ongoing.	 Preparatory activities for the FPs meeting and its documents finalised. Working and info documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines Meeting conclusions finalised and documents updated further to recommendations of the meeting. 	, , ,	
	REMPEC		Preparation of the draft PoW 2022-2023 as well as the provisional agenda and draft list o documents for the Meeting of the Focal Points of REMPEC (San Ġwann, Malta, 25-27 Mar 2021).		Timely submission to CU of necessary inputs and documents in view of the MAP FPs meeting. Technical inputs provided to COP22 and MAP FPs meeting, as requested.	
	Plan Bleu		Preparatory activities for the PAP/RAC FPs meeting launched. List of documents identified.	 Meeting dates advanced In agreement with CU and ECP, to cope with overall schedule of MAP RACs meetings: Arrangement for organization of online meeting of focal point 19 – 20 May. Working and info documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines. Draft decisions and report delivered to CU for MAP Focal Points Meeting. 	Timely submission to CU of necessary inputs and documents in view of the MAP FPs meeting. Technical inputs provided to COP22 and MAP FPs meeting, as requested.	

1.1.2.4. Organize Compliance Committee Meetings.	circulated in line with Procedures and Mechanisms and applicable Rules of Procedure. Focus on the communication from the public, the testing of draft indicators and the drafting of recommendations to improve the completeness of the reports, in particular ways and means to assist countries in overcoming the difficulties reported	Report of the CC meeting prepared timely. Follow up action lists drafted. Follow-up on the 16th Compliance Committee recommendations, in preparation for the 17th Compliance Committee Meeting, with emphasis on assisting the Contracting Parties with the submission of national implementation reports for 2018-2019 and the analysis of information submitted to feed into the overall status of progress. Sub-groups working on RoPs and procedures and mechanisms facilitated. Communication material regarding CC drafted in cooperation with Public/Communication unit.	 Resumed session of the 16th CC meeting timely prepared and held in January 2021. Working and Information documents for the 17th Compliance Committee timely drafted and sent out in line with Rules of Procedure. 17th Compliance Committee Meeting held (videoconference, June 2021), in preparation for COP 22. Set of key recommendations in place as well as proceedings on the communication brought to the Committee from the public. 	- Letters regarding the renewal of CC membership to be prepared
1.1.2.5. Organize the 19th Meeting of the MCSD and its Steering Committee annual meetings; Undertake and conclude the mid-term evaluations of the MSSD and SCP Regional Action Plan	evaluation is hired and the following deliverables are agreed: work plan, timetable, and methodology; list of stakeholders; state of play and gap analysis reports; consultation document. - 21st Meeting of the MCSD Steering Committee (13-14 May, Teleconference). Meeting held with working and information documents finalized and circulated in 2	 MSSD and SCP Action Plan mid-term evaluations (cont'd): stakeholder consultations carried out (questionnaire, interviews), draft reports prepared. 22nd Meeting of the MCSD Steering Committee to prepare the 19th Meeting of the MCSD (videoconference, 15-16 December 2020). Meeting held with working and information documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines. Preparations for the 19th Meeting of the MCSD timely initiated on organizational issues. Main themes and format of the 19th Meeting of the MCSD identified. Communication material under preparation for UNEP/MAP website. 	- MSSD and SCP Action Plan mid-term evaluations (cont'd): draft reports reviewed, second draft reports submitted to the MCSD in view of its 19th Meeting; Synthesis report or summary for decision-makers drafted, integrating the results of the MSSD and SCP Action Plan mid-term evaluations (in coordination with SCP/RAC). - 19th Meeting of the MCSD (videoconference, June 2021): Preparations conducted on organizational and substantial issues. Meeting held with working and information documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines. Conclusions and recommendations to COP 22 agreed. Communication material prepared for UNEP/MAP website, including newsbrief covering the 19th Meeting of the MCSD.	 Information Documents to be submitted for consideration by MAF Focal Points Meeting and COP22. MCSD inputs to COP 22 Ministerial Declaration to be finalized.
SCP/RAC	- Consultant in charge of the SCP AP mid-term evaluation recruited; Methodology prepared; Evaluation launched; Coordination call with MAP CU and consultants organised.		Draft reports reviewed, and second draft reports submitted to the MCSD in view of its 19th Meeting as well as SCP/RAC Focal Points	- See above about the MSSD and SCP Action Plam mid-term evaluations.
1.1.2.6. Formulate the MAP MTS 2022- 2027 through an inclusive, participatory Contracting Parties's driven process.	the Bureau; Nomination letters for the establishment of respective bodies prepared	Work ongoing to conclude the current MTS Evaluation Process and advance the preparation of the new MTS. First Draft delivered; Discussions held by ECP (two meetings), the Bureau and MTS SC (back to back meetings in November 2020).	 Second draft evaluation report prepared and consulted online; finalized report submitted to the dedicated MAP Focal Points meeting. Main directions and strategic outcomes of the new MTS submitted to the dedicated MAP Focal Points meeting (April 2021). MAP Focal Points meeting dedicated on the MTS held (Athens, Greece, April 2021). Working and info documents finalized and circulated in 2 languages within the established deadlines. New MTS submitted and reviewed by the 91st Bureau meeting and SC/OEWG back to back meetings (July 2021). 	MTS 2022-2027submitted to the September MAP Focal Points Meeting for review, and then to COP 22 for endorsement.
1.1.2.7. Formulate in coordination with regional bodies a Post-2020 Strategic Action Programme for the conservation of biodiversity and sustainable management of natural resources in the Mediterranean Region (SAP BIO 2021-2035).	 ToRs for national experts prepared in French and English, approved by UNEP MAP CU on 21 April 2020. The SAPBIO Advisory Committee established, and the First Online Meeting was held on the 2nd of April 2020. 	 ToRs and tender document for elaboration of the Post-2020 SAPBIO document and call for applications prepared following the advices and inputs of the Advisory Committee members. Evaluation-selection process undertaken. Diagnosis and identification of needs and priorities at national level by national experts done for all 21 Mediterranean countries. 21 national contributions prepared. National consultations carried out in 21 Mediterranean countries and final national needs and priority reports revisions assisted by national stakeholders. 	- Four Post-2020 SAP BIO sub-regional orientation documents prepared and discussed during four sub-regional workshops Draft Post-2020 SAP BIO submitted and reviewed by the SPA/BD Focal Points Meeting.	- Draft Post-2020 SAP BIO to be submitted for review to the MAP FP meeting and then to COP 22 for consideration and adoption.
1.1.2.8. Develop/ update regional Strategies/ Action Plans addressing seabased pollution. REMPEC		delivered and reviewed by CPs.	Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (post 2021) reviewed by the REMPEC Focal Points Meeting.	a) Draft Decision on the Regional Strategy for Prevention of an Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (post 2021) to be finalise and submitted MAP FP meeting and for COP 22 consideration
1.1.2.9. Develop the MAP data management policy, including on IMAP Info-System.	Planning of Bilateral meeting with each country will be set-up specifically Specific meeting in order to identify the common agreement on data aggregation	 First draft Decision on Data management Policy developed for review by CU and ECP. Questionnaire developed and circulated among Contracting Parties to collect information about data availability and element to support a common agreement on data aggregation. Information document IMAP data policy elements submitted and discussed at the Integrated CORMON Meeting (December 2020). 	 Working document on "MAP data policy" developed and finalized for submission to the MAP Focal Points. Working Document "IMAP data policy Elements" finalized and submitted to the EcAp Coordination Group. 	Draft Decision on Data Management Policy to be finalized and submitted to MAP FP meeting and COP 22.
1.1.2.10. Enhance the sustainability of MAP operations.	19 towards end of 2020-beggining of 2021). - Provide for additional virtual training sessions to clarify reporting requirements	RACs in preparation of annual revision Procurement Training in Athens for IPs and programme officers (all RACs) and operation	TORs of a consultant to analyse different modalities of meetings including in-person, online, hybrid, etc. and the decisions made by other MEAs on the format of their Intergovernmental meetings during the time of COVID19 pandemic including the COPs, prepared with the aim to coming up with recommendations for the MAPs future meetings.	- Consultant's contract to be started Monthly or bi-monthly skype meetings with the RACs maintained.
1.1.3. Strengthen interlinkages between Core and Co	ross-cutting themes and facilitate Coordination at national level across the r	relevant sectors.		
1.1.3.1. Streamline in relevant national policies the updated MAP strategies and ecosystem approach-based GES targets (MSSD, SCP AP, Regional Strategy on pollution prevention from ships, ICZM Action Plan, Offshore AP, RSFCCA).	National IMAP implementation continuously supported.	- National IMAP implementation continuously supported Evaluation process of LBS NAPs, ICZM national Strategies, Sea-based pollution NAPs, Biodiversity NAPs, followed up assessing the level of integration and GES mainstreaming.	- National IMAP implementation continuously supported Evaluation process of LBS NAPs, ICZM national Strategies, Sea-based pollution NAPs, Biodiversity NAPs, followed up assessing the level of integration and GES mainstreaming.	- National IMAP implementation continuously supported Main findings and recommendations from the review of LBS NAPs, ICZM national Strategies, Sea-based pollution NAPs, Biodiversity NAPs, assessing the level of integration and GES mainstreaming, to be reviewed as appropriate by EcAp Coordination Group and MAP Focal Points.
1.1.3.2. Continue work on regional tools, including possible guidelines, on sustainable tourism with a particular focus on nautical activities, pleasure boating including cruises.	ToR prepared and disseminated. (Expert workshop postponed due to international health concerns).	 Expert workshop or webinar organised on 22 oct 2020 to summarize findings of the project BlueBoatsMed. Outline of guidelines prepared and discussed during expert webinar on 23 November 2020. Key practices to be included detailed. 		Communication, dissemination and presentation of the guidelines to the COP 22 and beyond.

1.1.4.1. Implement and update the Resource Mobilization Strategy.	CU	- Resource Mobilization Strategy implementation coherent with the execution of the external funded projects. Meetings with donors (EC, GEF, IMELS and other possible donors). Project fiches updated and reviewed by the CU and submitted to the 89th Bureau Meeting. Project concept notes and Project documents for ECAP MED III and ML II drafted. Job Descriptions finalized for PMU for both Projects. A concept Note for a GCF funding developed. - 7th Steering Committee meeting for the Bilateral Collaboration Agreement with IMELS held in May 2020 (teleconference); options envisaged for a potential future cooperation based on the main directions agreed; Concept Note for a future cooperation prepared and shared with IMELS and HQ; proposal for use of non-utilised funds from previous Agreement submitted to IMELS.	 Project fiches updated and reviewed by the CU and submitted to the 90th Bureau Meeting. Further progress on the concept Note for a GCF funding preparation. ML MED II and ECAP MED III project approved; both projects operational and launched in the Integrated CORMON Meetings; PCA/SSFA preparation with RAC and the respective countries started. Proposal on use of non-utilised funds under the Bilateral Agreement with IMELS agreed and operationalised with reactivation of funds; Negotiations at UNEP HQ and IMELS level on potential future cooperation ongoing. 	- Project fiches submitted to the 91st Bureau Meeting PCA with RACs under ECAP MED III and ML MED II projects signed with INFO/RAC, Plan Bleu/RAC, PAP/RAC, SCP RAC, SPA/RAC and SSFA with the respective countries prepared Activities under the last extension of the Bilateral Agreement with IMELS completed. Closure of Agreement started Draft MoU and executive summary for next Bilateral Agreement with IMELS prepared and shared with IMELS.	- Project fiches to be updated and reviewed by the CU and submitted as Information Document to the MAP FP Meeting New Cooperation Agreement with IMELS to be signed and integrated into the PoW and Budget for 2022-2023.
1.1.4.2. Ensure timely and coordinated execution and progress review of MAP Projects with external funding.	CU	 - All Child projects of the MedProgramme cleared by UNEP and GEF; Legal Instruments for all child projects of the MED Porgramme signed. Ongoing preparations for organising the Inception Meeting and SC Meetings of all Child Projects in early summer 2020. ToRs for Knowledge Management; Gender, TDA, overall support to Medproigramme Coordinator concluded; recruitement process initiated. SSFA /PCA for Plan Bleu and SCP RAC finalized and signed. Budget operational. - 7th meeting of the Steering Committee for the Bilateral Agreement with IMELS held in May 2020. Documents prepared and disseminated on time. Follow up actions ongoing. - IMAP MPA project fully operational. First SC meeting held, workplan and budget approved. Follow up actions decided. Letters to Ministers of the eligible country to establish IMAP SC prepared and dispatched. Cooridnation meeting of ECAP TF held to design together the monitoring sites/areas for inclusion in IMAP MPA and ECAP MED III Projects. ToRs for several regional and national consultancies developed and approved. Consultancies on board. calendar for national workshops/meetings 	video conference depending on the evolution of the pandemic Inception Meeting of the 7 Projects of the MedProgramme held on 20-22 July 2020 remotely	- The first Project Steering Committee (PSC) meetings of five Child Projects of the MedProgramme were organized to approve workplans and budgets for 2021-2022, thereby enabling initiation of activities on the ground. For the remaining two MedProgramme Child Projects under the responsibility of UNEP/MAP, efforts are focused on establishing legal instruments with the executing partners. The preparation of the fully-fledged project document if the GFCM-MAP GEF7 FishEBM MED is proceeding in a timely manner. 2nd Steering Committee of the EU-funded IMAP-MPA Project (Jan. 2021, tbc) to review the comencement of the national activities. Approved workplan of IMAP-MAP project executed in a timely manner. Support streamlined at country level. First Steering Committee of the EU-funded EcAp MED III Project held (28 April 2021) to review status of activities and provide guidance on way forward. Approved workplan executed in timely manner.	- The substantive and financial closure of the GEF Adriatic Project to be finalized. - All seven Child Projects of the MedProgramme under UNEP/MAP's responsibility to be fully mobilized and implementation of the activities approved at the PSC meetings organized in 2021 ongoing. - Preparations to be undertaken for the organization of the first MedProgramme Annual Stocktaking Meeting that will take place in 2022, an event that will gather all the main programme stakeholders including countries representatives, civil society, executing agencies, regional and international organization, IFIs and new partners such as private actors and the media. The first edition of the MedProgramme Bulletin to be published in December 2021, providing a consolidated overview of progress achieved across the programme since its inception in 2020. - The fully-fledged project document of the GFCM-MAP GEF7 FishEBM MED to be submitted to the GEF Secretariat for revision and GEF CEO endorsement. - EU-funded IMAP-MPA Project: Integrated IMAP and enhanced MPA management are progressing in the region. - EU-funded EcAp MED III: activities to boost effective on-the-ground national IMAP implementation in 7 beneficiary countries, and work for 2023 MED QSR preparation progressing.
Strategic Outcome 1.2. Contacting Parti	ies supporte	ed in compliance with the Barcelona Convention, its Protocols, Regional Strat	tegies and Action Plans		
1.2.1. Compliance mechanisms effective	ely functioni	ing and technical and legal advice provided to Contracting Parties, including	technical assistance to enhance implementation of the Convention and its Prot	cocols including reporting.	
1.2.1.1. Provide technical assistance and guidance to CPs in the implementation of the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols.	CU	 Follow-up with CPs at individual level done (emails/calls/letters) to gather as many national implementation reports as possible for the 2016-2017 biennium in coordination with INFO RAC. Assistance provided on request. In coordination with relevant MAP components, further streamlinging of the technical sections of the BCRS to facilitate the submission of data and launching of the official invitation for Contracting Parties to report on the 2018-2019 biennium. 	- Work under the previous quarter continued to reach 100% submissions, as far as possible and close the 2016-2017 reporting cycle. - Follow up with Contracting Parties in coordination with MAP Components ongoing (MAP informal Task Force on Reporting) to assist Contracting Parties with the submission of the 2018-2019 national implementation reports.	The technical and substantive assistance provided to CPs continued to facilitate submission of 2018-2019 national implementation reports in coordination with MAP informal Task Force on Reporting.	Work to provide technical and substantive assistance in coordination with MAP informal Task Force on Reporting to be continued in order to close the 2018-2019 cycle with as many national implementation reports as possible for COP 22.
1.2.1.2. Provide support to Contracting Parties to facilitate the process of national implementation reporting.	CU	Guidance provided to CPs in the form of explanatory note as well as detailed indications on request on how to populate the national implementation reports. This would add to work in conjuction with other MEAs to streamlining the technical section of the BCRS.	Work continued in coordination with MAP informal Task Force Reporting under the previous quarter to reach 100% submissions , as far as possible.	Work under the previous quarters continued to reach 100% submissions, as far as possible so that there are a representative number of 2018-2019 national implementation reports to start with the preparations of the overall assessment for COP 22.	2018-2019 reporting cycle to be closed in preparation for COP 22 with a representative number of national implementation reports, provide the assistance needed at individual level and conclusion of the overall assessment in coordination with MAP components for COP 22.
1.2.1.3. Assess the status of the implementation of the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols through the reports submitted by the CP for the period 2018-2019 for submission to the Compliance Committee and COP 22.	CU	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Working together with Reporting informal task force of the MAP system continued to have as many 2018-2019 national implementation reports by end December 2020.	Work under the previous quarter continued to have a draft preliminary assessment of 2018-2019 national implementation reports for the June meeting of the Compliance Committee in preparation for COP 22. Continue working together with Reporting informal task force of the MAP system.	Conclusion of the overall assessment including key findings and messages for policy markers as well as suggestions on how best to use information provided in national implementation reports at national level to be prepared for COP 22 in coordination with MAP Components. Relevant documents to be submitted to the MAP FP Meeting and COP 22.
Strategic Outcome 1.3. Strengthening n	articipation	, engagement, synergies and complementarities among global and regional	institutions		
			ners, including on SAP BIO, Marine Litter, SCP, ICZM, MSP and Climate Change	(e.g. regional conference, donor meetings).	
1.3.1.1. Encourage NGOs to become MAP Partners and facilitate their contribution to MAP objectives including annual round table discussions back-to-back with other meetings.	CU	Preparation of call for renewal of MAP partners. Two new partners accredited by the Bureau (89th meeting), to be added to the list of MAP Partners.	 Call for renewal of MAP partners launched. MAP Partners involved in the development of the new MTS, through the OEWG. New and renewed partners accredited by the Bureau (90th meeting), to be added to the list of MAP Partners. Call for new MAP partners launched. 	- MAP Partners involved in the development of the new MTS through the OEWG New and renewed partners accredited by the Bureau (91st meeting), to be added to the list of MAP Partners.	 New and renewed MAP partners to be accredited by COP 22 following the MAP Focal Points Meeting. Possible meeting to be held with CSO in view of COP 22.
1.3.1.2. Undertake periodic reviews of bilateral cooperation with partner organisations to enhance synergies and impact on the ground on areas of common interest.		 Consultation with GFCM and UfMS on update of the MoUs carried out. Bilateral meeting with UfMS held. CU and SPA/RAC meeting with ACCOBAMS, IUCN-Med, GFCM held on area-based management cooperation. Synergies with other partners enhanced (BRS Conventions Secretariat, IUCN, IMO-London Protocol/London Convention, CITES, UNESCO, Black Sea Commission, etc) 	- Consultation with GFCM and UfMS for update of the MoUs finalised Synergies with other partners enhanced (area-based management, BRS Conventions Secretariat, IUCN, IMO-London Protocol/London Convention, CITES, UNESCO, Black Sea Commission, etc) Review of implementation of the EEA UNEP/MAP Joint Work 2016-2021 Plan undertaken jointly by the two Organisations and any gaps in activities implementation identified.	 - Updating of MoU with GFCM in progress. - Decision taken to postpone update of MoU with UfMS. - Draft MoUs with PAM and COMPSUD prepared for submission to the MAP FP Meeting. - Synergies with other partners enhanced (area-based management, BRS Conventions Secretariat, IUCN, IMO-London Protocol/London Convention, CITES, UNESCO, Black Sea Commission, etc). - Bilateral discussions held with EEA and common strategic priorities for new Joint Work Plan 2022-2030 defined. Draft Joint Work Plan prepared in coordination with EEA. 	- Synergies with partners enhanced in view/during COP 22 Updated MoU (GFCM) and new cooperation agreements (PAM, COMPSUD) to be submitted to MAP Focal Points Meeting and COP 22EEA UNEP/MAP Joint Work Plan 2022-2030 to be signed by COP 22.

REMPEC	Mediterranean Assistance Unit (MAU). - The secondment of a Junior Programme Officer (VIS) by the French Oil Company,	to REMPEC from the oil and gas industry to support the implementation of 2020-2021 activities related to offshore, and on the industry technical support;	- A comprehensive plan of actions, including milestones, budgets and manpower required to implement the Offshore Protocol in the Mediterranean countries, prepared and presented to the	- Terms of Cooperation with the oil and gas industry as well as the chemical industry to be defined.
1.3.1.3. Co-organize with co-Chairs the UfM H2020 Review and Monitoring and Capacity Building Sub Groups annual meetings.	 Preparation of EEA MAP Joint Report ongoing. Process of consultation of the joint Report MAP EEA on the H2020 progress coorganised with EEA. All comments received by the project countries and partners integrated in the report. 	 Meetings of the Core group of H2020 attended. Meeting of the Final SEIS SC and RM Meeting of H2020 co-organised with EEA in September 2020. Official media of launching of the EEA MAP joint Report (EEA Report number 7/2020) organised with the participation of EEA Executive Director and MAP Coordinator. Contribution provided to the H2020 meetings organised by UfM and its co presidencies. 		Communication events on Join EEA MAP report on H2020 implementation to be organised, including possible side event at C22 on SEIS Project and the joint report.
1.3.1.4. Coordinate with key partners in supporting the implementation of the Regional Plan on Marine Litter; Strengthen and expand the Regional Collaboration Platform for Marine Liter in the Mediterranean established in September 2016; Enhance collaboration	Contribution provided to regional and global marine litter processes, including participation in GPML Steering Committee meetings including inputs for a joint GPML Work Plan.	Contribution provided to regional and global marine litter processes, including participation in GPML Steering Committee meetings including inputs for a joint GPML Work Plan (cont.).	Steering Committee meetings including inputs for a joint GPML Work Plan (cont.). - Informal Meeting of the European Regional Seas Conventions to discuss collaboration opportunities and ways of working with respect to Regional Action Plans for Marine Litter (online, 1st June 2021) attended; follow up actions defined including the organisation of the next meeting.	 Contribution provided to regional and global marine litter processes, including participation in GPML Steering Committee meetings including inputs for a joint GPML Work Plan (cont.). Possible communication campaign on prevention of actions to figure against marine litter to be laucnhed. Outcome of the work to be reported to MAP FP meeting and possibly to COP 22. Organisation of a side event at COP 22 to be considered.
with European Regional Seas on marine litter and other issues of common concern.			A consultant engaged by IMO to explore synergy between the Regional Plan on Marine Litter Management in the Mediterranean and the IMO Action Plan to address marine plastic litter from ships with a view to ensuring synergies between the (EU-funded) "Marine Litter-Med II" Project and the IMO-FAO-Norway GloLitter Partnerships Project.	UNEP/MAP
1.3.2. Participation in relevant existing or new internation	ational initiatives and dialogue (e.g. ABNJ, MPAs, Offshore, Sustainable De	evelopment) to highlight the Mediterranean regional specificities and increase s	ynergies	
1.3.2.1. Promote BC, its Protocols and the MSSD 2016-2025 with a particular focus on pollution control and prevention, biodiversity and ICZM; enhance collaboration with	Role and visibility of the BC and UNEP/MAP promoted in international fora; New partnerships created. Contributions provided to UNEP Regional Seas.	Role and visibility of the BC and UNEP/MAP promoted in international fora and new partnerships created. Contributions provided to UNEP Regional Seas, etc.	created. Contributions provided to UNEA-5, UNEP Regional Seas, African Ocean Governance, International Ocean Governance, EU4Ocean etc.	The role and visibility of the BC and UNEP/MAP to be further promoted in international fora (incl. UN CBD COP 15, October 2021 and new partnerships created. Contributions provided to the IUCN Congress (Marseille, September 2021) and other international and regional processes and fora as appropriate.
International organisation and European Regional Seas on marine litter and other issues of common interest.	 Progress report on REMPEC activities prepared and published for MEPC 75 (London, UK, 30 March-3 April 2020). The 2019 achievements and 2020-2021 Programme of Work of REMPEC presented at the 16th Inter-Secretariat Meeting between Regional Agreement Secretariats, Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations and the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) (Brussels, Belgium, 5 February 2020), where synergies and follow-up actions were agreed upon. 			Progress report on REMPEC activities to be submitted and present to MEPC 77.
1.3.3. MSSD implementation set in motion through a	ctions on visibility, capacity building, and the preparation of guidelines to a	assist countries adapt the Strategy to their national contexts.		
1.3.3.1. Strengthen further and sustain Plan Bleu the Simplified Peer Review Mechanism (SIMPEER).	Synthetic report on 2016-2017 & 2018-2019 edition published & disseminated to MCSD SC members. Synthetic report presented and potential follow-up discussed with MCSD SC members.	SIMPEER methodology and outcomes were foreseen to be presented on at least one occasion, but this is postponed to S1 2021 due to Covid context.		Relevant activity on Peer Learning/Review to be included in the MAPPOW and Budget 2022-2023.
Strategic Outcome 1.4. Knowledge and understandin	g of the state of the Mediterranean Sea and coast enhanced through man	dated assessments for informed policy-making.		
1.4.1. Periodic assessments based on DPSIR approach	and published addressing inter alia status quality of marine and coastal e	environment, interaction between environment and development as well as sce	narios and prospective development analysis in the long run. These assessments inclu	de climate change-related vulnerabilities and risks on the
	knowledge gaps on marine pollution, ecosystem services, coastal degradation			
1.4.1.1. Undertake actions defined in 2023 MED QSR road map related to IMAP Cluster on Pollution toward integrated assessment of GES.	EcAp Task Force Meetings for joint 2020-2021 planning held; TORs and timeline for work on monitoring and assessment scales and integrated GES assessment defined and agreed; EcAp Coordination Group informed of progress; EcAp MED III project proposal developed and submitted; Annotations for MED QSR 2023 drafted; call for IMAP data submission launched; preparations for integrated CORMON meeting initiated.	 - Annotated content of 2023 MED QSR finalized and discussed by Integrated CORMON. Synergies with TDA and other Assessment Processes clarified. - IMAP/QSR Task Force operational and monthly meetings held. - EcAp MED III project launched. 	 Thematic CORMONs organized (Marine Litter 30 March 2021; Pollution 26-28 April 2021; Biodiversity & Fisheries 10-11 June 2021); IMAP/QSR Task Force operational and monthly meetings held. 	Approaches for scales and monitoring and for integrated assessme of GES related to IMAP Cluster on Pollution, and final 2023 MED QS outline, methodological approach and structure to be presented at EcAp Coordination Group meeting.
1.4.1.2. Support the preparation of QSR Plan Bleu 2023, by capitalizing on the results of SoED 2019, MSSD Dashboard and MedECC assessment report.	Support provided to the preparation of an SPI component to EcAp III project proposal.	External funding raised, a consultant selected: 5 plates based on 9 maps under preparation as an in-kind contribution to QSR 2023.	The 5 plates finalized and published.	As feasible and required
1.4.1.3. Prepare thematic products coulding on the findings of the State of the Environment and Development Report 2019 for outreach.	· ·	One brief (on demography) published. Two briefs under finalization (Emerging Pollutions, and Maritime Transport). Call for consultancy launched for drafting one additional brief on desalination	One additional brief (on emerging pollutions) published. Work under way for two additional briefs (on maritime transport, and desalination)	Last briefs published.
L.4.1.4.Develop and implement the second set of activities included in the Med 2050 Roadmap.	 Recruitment of specialized senior expert in Plan Bleu delayed due to difficulties related to COVID-19. First foresight group meeting held (May 2020). Consultation on trends and weak signals under preparation. Three publications under preparation. MED 2050 newsletter disseminated through MED 2050 network (finalisation in July/August). 	 Specialized expert recruited (1st October). 2nd and 3rd meetings of the Foresight Working Group held (virtually) on 13/14 October and 2 December. Call for application of Contracting PArties representatives to the Advisory Committed held. Finalization/dissemination of publications on demography, and on analysis of previous foresight analysis (2005). Consultation on trends and weak signals. Consultation on long-term visions prepared. Partnerships on transition analyses set-up. Methodological note finalized. Funding raised for sub-modules in Region Sud and Al Hoceima watershed. 	 Studies on trends, ruptures and weak signals finalized. List of 200 themes prepared, 36 priory themes selected and 36 author teams put in place to prepared the factsheets. Work under way on these factsheets. Report on 2020-2021 activities & follow-up drafted, presented to MCSD and to be refined for further consideration and guidance to COP 22. 	 Work on factsheets to be finalised, and publication of synthesis report (end of Module 1). Module 2: preparation of questionnaires and consultation on lon term visions (through survey/workshops), and report to be produced. Dedicated workshop for consultation of youth representatives to be organised (November 2021) and / or other depending on opportunities.

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1.4.2.1. Improve the work on the ndicators of the Mediterranean sustainability dashboard in accordance with Decision IG. 23/4.	Plan Bleu	Proposal made to 21 st MCSD SC meeting	New potential data sources under consideration for MSSD Dashboard. Definition of the methodology for data sharing with SCP/RAC and joint presentation made to 22nd MCSD SC meeting. Contribution to MSSD mid term evaluation defined.	2021 dashboard population shared and discussed with PB Focal Points & MCSD members, in synergy with on-going work on SDGs at international level. Final 2021 dashboard with recent data presented at MCSD meeting and made available on line. Pilot study on potential legal indicators initiated.	 Pilot study on legal indicators to be finalized and results presented in COP22. Side event at COP 22 envisaged on all indicators
1.4.2.2. Exchange of best practices on data and indicators among National Observatories and observation networks (in synergy with the MSSD dashboard, IMAP indicators, SEIS) and update the Regional Observatory.	Plan Bleu	· ·	Best practices identified. CPs national and local observatories referenced. Plan Bleu's observatory website updated with recent findings.	implemented on external funding to migrate Plan Bleu data to UNEP World Environment Situation Room. Publication of survey on CPs national and local observatories submitted to FPs for review,	Plan Bleu's observatory website updated with recent findings and data (continued). CPs national and relevant regional Observatories referenced on Plan Bleu's observatory Website and main relevant national products and activities referenced / disseminated
1.4.3. Implementation of IMAP (the EcA	p-based integ	rated monitoring and assessment programme) coordinated, including GES	common indicators fact sheets, and supported by a data information centre to	o be integrated into Info/MAP platform.	
1.4.3.1. Support the coordinated	CU	- IMAP Task force meeting prepared and held monthly.	- IMAP Task force meeting prepared and held monthly.	- IMAP Task force meeting prepared and held monthly	- Key IMAP related documents to be submitted and reviewed by th
implementation of IMAP at regional, sub- regional and national level.		of IMAP infosystem; Letter sent to CPs to submit IMAP data.	 Integrated CORMON meeting held. Preparations for 2021 ECAP CG meeting initiated and proposal on potential further development of IMAP at regional, subregional and national levels, as appropriate, developed; IMAP data submitted; DS and DD developed for CI of IMAP not yet in the system in a coordinated manner. Work on assessment criteria and integrated assessmeth of GES progressed in a coordinated manner. 	- ECAP CG meeting preparations ongoing and proposal on potential further development of IMAP at regional, subregional and national levels as appropriate; progress in development of DS and DD for CI of IMAP not yet in the system in a coordinated manner; Work on assessment criteria and integrated assessment of GES progressed in a coordinated manner.	ECAP Coordination Group Meeting and MAP Focal Points. Outcome on IMAP implementation to be reported to COP 22. - Potential side event envisaged;
1.4.4. Interface between science and pol	licy making st	rengthened through enahanced cooperation with global and regional scier	ntific institutions, knowledge sharing platforms, dialogues, exchange of good p	practices and piublications.	
strengthen the mechanism to assist Barcelona Convention implementation with scientific institutions and promote	CU		developed and signed and joint workplans with potential partners developed based on IMAP and QSR implementation needs; joint research/information sharing activities initiated	SPI activities organization supported in the context of EcAp MED III -Mapping of scientific projects and partners to contribute to preparation of the 2023 MED QSR through data, methodologies and tools undertaken.	and timeline for regional data sharing to be agreed.
their participation in research and development activities and facilitate transfer of technology.	Plan Bleu		 Two science policy practice events supported. Intercommunity toolbox set-up under development. Assessment Report on Environmental and Climate Change presented and disseminated both to Contracting Parties representatives (22 September) and to media and public (17 November). Continued support provided to MedECC Phase II development and funding. 	 At least two science policy practice events supported. Continued support provided to MedECC Phase II, level dependant on funding; agreement with MedECC SC to establish MedECC Secretariat in Plan Bleu on a more permanent basis. Agreement renewed with Union for the Mediterranean for continued technical assistance contract. Funding raised allowing for continuity of MedECC operations Report on circular economy in blue sectors under preparation with key partners. 	 At least one science policy practice event to be supported. At least one policy paper to be prepared. Roadmap for preparation of 3 thematic reports to be finalized, fundraising for its implementation, initial steps to be achieved (scoping, selection of authors). Report on circular economy in blue sectors under preparation wit key partners.
		Tourism and/or Biodiversity). - Tools/methodologies/innovations replicability assessment framework prepared and disseminated. - Assessment report on Environmental and climate Change final draft and disseminated for consultation. Consultation organised. Funding sources for continued MedECC activities identified & at least one partnership agreement concluded.			
1.4.4.2. Contribute to strengthen Science Policy Interface in the Mediterranean with regards to IMAP implementation and for feeding the knowledge gap to promote effective measures to achieve GES.	MED POL	 The Mediterranean Sea "We Need for the Future We Want" Regional Workshop for the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development 2021-2030, organized in Venice, UNESCO-IOC, 21-23 January 2020. Concept note to direct cooperation of UNEP/MAP with scientific/academic institutions across Mediterranean agreed as to support integration of science-policy 	Prepared proposal of means to strengthen the science-policy interface mapped, including proposal of the scientific institutions/networks to be considered for building partnerships in key areas of relevance for MAP (e.g. implementation of ecosystem approach, as well as implementation of pollution reduction and mitigation measures, focusing on emerging issues and considering a need to timely and properly introduce new and innovative scientific approached and practices, etc).	Proposal to build partnerships between UNEP/MAP and scientific/academic institutions in the implementation of the PoW developed, and next steps undertaken towards their operationalization.	Relevant modalities for cooperation between MAP and relevant priority scientific institution to be established (e.g. MoU; Letter for Expression of Interest, etc.).
	REMPEC	- Establishment of a Steering Committee composed of representatives from MED		Information on R&D activities and programmes, including data sharing and projects, in cooperation	
		POL, SPA/RAC, ECAP Project Team, CU and REMPEC; and - Finalisation of the Terms of Reference and recruitment by REMPEC of a team of consultants for the preparation of a Study on trends and outlook of marine pollution from ships and activities and of maritime traffic and offshore activities in the Mediterranean, in consultation with the Steering Committee Request for quotation for the preparation of a study related to ship movement forecast for the next 5, 10, 20 and 30 years to complement the Study on trends and outlook of marine pollution from ships and activities and of maritime traffic and offshore activities in the Mediterranean Exchange of best practice on CI19 with the Bonn Agreement, HELCOM as well as other regional seas programme and the EU with a view to better defining "acute pollutions" and related level to trigger monitoring of the impact to the environment (to be followed up with the consultant recruited for the Study above) HELCOM, the ODYSSEA Project and SPA/RAC invited to share information on data and projects related to the granting of exemption under the BWM Convention, target species in the Mediterranean Sea and its relationship with the said Convention, originally at the Regional Workshop on the BWM Convention in an event originally planned to be held in Valletta, Malta, from 2 to 4 June 2020 but cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic and replaced by a webinar in September 2020 with interventions from IMO, HELCOM, the ODYSSEA Project and SPA/RAC.		with other Regional Agreements disseminated at the Inter-Secretariat Meeting and REMPEC FPM.	
1.4.5. Educational programmes, includin	g e-learning p	platforms and college level degrees on governance and thematic topics of I	MAP relevance organized in cooperation with competent institutions.		
educational activities and promote educational programmes in cooperation with academic institutions, focusing on marine and coastal issues, with the aim	CU	_	Consultations and negotiations with academic institutions from Mediterranean countries ongoing. Meeting for possible launch of a postgraduate programme held.	Consultations and negotiations with academic institutions from Mediterranean countries ongoing.	Consultations and negotiations with academic institutions from Mediterranean countries ongoing.
to promote education on sustainable development.	PAP/RAC	Agreement signed with the University of Al Hoceima in Morocco for delivering MedOpen Advanced 2020 for their Master's Degree students.	Agreement signed with the University of Bizerte in Tunisia for delivering MedOpen Advanced	Negotiations with the interested academic institutions regarding MedOpen 2021 Advanced course	Agreements to be signed.

	INFO/RAC	- e-learning platform operational to support e-learning course MAPs training material collected and prepared.	 E-learning platform maintained operational to support e-learning courses. Opened call for on-line courses by RACs in the pandemic context. E-learning survey on formation demand to be submitted to ECP developed. 	 E-learning platform updated and maintained operational to support e-learning courses. Opened call for on-line courses by RACs in the pandemic context; E-learning survey on formation demand prepared and submitted to ECP. SPA/RAC bilateral meeting to plan on-line course on biodiversity and MPAs. IMAP tutorial on-line course under development. 	 e-learning platform operational to support e-learning course. MAP training material to be collected and prepared. MAP Training courses to be integrated in the platform
	Plan Bleu	At least two partnerships identified	One partnership with Aix-Marseille University (doctoral contract) finalized in the context of the Med2050 Foresight exercise. Contribution to educational activities.	A second partnership with Aix-Marseille University (post-doctoral contract) finalized in the context of the Med2050 Foresight exercise. Contribution to educational activities continued.	Contribution to educational activities to be continued – participation to university-led workshop.
Strategic Outcome 1.5. MAP knowledge	e and MAP info	rmation system enhanced and accessible for policy- making, increased av	wareness and understanding.		
1.5.1. Info/MAP platform and platform	for the implem	nentation of IMAP fully operative and further developed, connected to M	AP components' information systems and other relevant regional knowledge p	latforms, to facilitate access to knowledge for managers and decision-makers, as well	as stakeholders and the general public.
1.5.1.1. Repower InfoMAP infrastructure and maintain and upgrade InfoMAP modules.	INFO/RAC	 The existing modules of InfoMap System upgraded. Data and metadata from Regional organisation integrated. MAP database and products integrated. MAP component technical supporting performed. 	 Technological Infrastructure upgraded and the existing modules of InfoMap System upgraded. Data and metadata from Regional organization integrated. MAP's database and products integrated. Data Centre maintained and developed. InfoMAP Node maintained and developed. INFO/RAC Cloud set up, maintained and extended to new group of users (IMAP, IMAP team, Bureau, ECP, MED POL, experts groups). 	 Technological Infrastructure upgraded and the existing modules of InfoMap System upgraded. Data and metadata from Regional organization integrated. MAP's database and products integrated. Data Centre maintained and developed. InfoMAPNode maintained and developed. INFO/RAC Cloud set up, maintained and extended to new group of users (IMAP, IMAP team, Bureau, ECP, MED POL, OWGs, experts groups). 	 The existing modules of InfoMap System to be upgraded; The Technological Infrastructure to be upgrated. Data and metadata from Regional organisation to be integrated. MAP database and products to be integrated. MAP component technical supporting performed.
1.5.1.2.Complete IMAP infosystem development for all IMAP Common Indicators and further develop data dictionaries, information standards and quality controls.	INFO/RAC	- Dataflow in the Data Centre to support IMAP selected.	 - IMAP Info System upgraded with new functions for export of users list, possibility to substitute uploaded files in case there are more updated ones. - IMAP Pilot Info System access rights for MAP components modified according CU specifications. - IMAP Pilot Info System Testing phase successfully concluded. - Inputs from CPs collected and organized for further improvement of the system. - Data Standards and Data Dictionaries for Common Indicators 3,4, developed and submitted to the Integrated CorMon Meeting (2020). - Participation to the Integrated CorMon Meeting (October 2020). - Help desk and support to CPs for the IMAP Pilot Info System provided and on-going. - Elaboration of a first basic technical guide integrating the User Guide. - Support to CU in the implementation of the IMAP call. - Help desk and support to CPs for the IMAP Call provided and on-going. - Access to the IMAP Pilot Info System provided to all the new users appointed by CPs. - ACCOBAMS close cooperation for the finalization of Ceataceans DSs and DDs is in place. - MED REGION Project participation and implementation strengthening relation with IMAP. 	 IMAP Info System upgraded with new functions and Data Standards update. IMAP Info System access rights for MAP components modified according CU specifications. Inputs from CPs collected and organized for further improvement of the system. Data Standards and Data Dictionaries for Common Indicators 3,4, 5 for marine mammals, reptiles and birds, developed and submitted to the CorMon Meeting for Biodiversity (2021). Data Standards and Data Dictionaries for Common Indicators 18 & 20 developed and submitted to the Integrated CorMon Meeting for Pollution (2021). After the successfully conclusion of the process of migration of the historical MED POL monitoring database to IMAP Info System, using module E1 (nutrients) and P1 (contaminants in biota and sediment), a verification phase of migrated data with the Contracting Parties has been started. Participation to the CorMon Meetings (Biodiversity, Pollution, Marine Litter - 2021). Elaboration of an advanced technical guide integrating the User Guide and including all the more common errors. Participation into the Informal MSFD meeting with CPs (April). Help desk and support to CPs for the IMAP Call provided and on-going. One day Training/Assistance meetings successfully organized with Malta, Slovenia, Croatia, France. Access to the IMAP Pilot Info System provided to all the new users appointed by CPs. ACCOBAMS close cooperation for the harmonization of Ceataceans DSs and DDs is in place (second bilateral meeting held on April 2021). Bilateral Meeting with France for Data Standard harmonization successfully carried out. MED REGION Project concluded and deliverables produced for IMAP implementation strengthening. 	 IMAP information System developed. Dataflow in the Data Centre to support IMAP selected. IMAP set of Indicators implemented. Data Dictionaries and Information Standards upgraded and developed. Quality control on data formats and data coherence upgraded and developed.
1.5.1.3. Undertake Dashboard Data Analysis and customization.	INFO/RAC		Analysis undertaken and specifications for the Dashboard implementation discussed and agreed.	Analysis undertaken and specifications for the Dashboard implementation discussed and agreed.	Data Analytic dashbord to be developed.Data Analytic dashbord to be customised.
1.5.1.4. Develop Climate change adaptation prototype platform.	INFO/RAC				Prototype of Climate Change Adaptation platform to be designed.
1.5.1.5. Maintain, upgrade and implement MAP Components' databases and data platforms.	INFO/RAC	- Historical MED POL monitoring database is successfully migrated to IMAP Info System.	 Process of migration of the historical MED POL monitoring database to IMAP Info System fully and successfully accomplished using module E1 (nutrients) and P1 (contaminants in biota and sediment). MAP Components technical supporting performed. NBB maintained and developed. 	 Process of migration of the historical MED POL monitoring database to IMAP Info System fully and successfully accomplished using module E1 (nutrients) and P1 (contaminants in biota and sediment). MAP Components technical supporting performed. NBB maintained and developed. 	 New MED POL monitoring Data Flow to be fully integrated in the IMAP Info System Quality Assurance and Quality Control schemes in place for 10 IMAP Common Indicators and included in the IMAP Pilot Info System. Data protocols for interlinkages between BCRS, NBB/PRTR Infosystem, IMAP, InfoMAPNode to be prepared and tested.
	SPA/RAC	MAMIAS webapplication development started	Call for tenders for the redesign of MBP launched and the contract with the IT compagny signed. MAMIAS web application tested and its content updated.	MBP redesign and development in progress, SDF web application development will be launched in July, MAMIAS web application released online for demonstration purpose and will be presented to the SPA/BD FPs in an online session.	MBP to be improved and fully functional with data published periodically. SDF web application to released online. MAMIAS web application to be fully functional and its content updated regularly.
	REMPEC	 Nww REMPEC website and the new MENELAS website finalised and launched. Progress on the finalisation of the revamp of the Waste Management Decision Support Tool ongoing. The above-mentioned are hosted on INFO/RAC server together with all REMPEC websites, including the Preparedness for Oil-polluted Shoreline clean-up and Oiled Wildlife interventions' Project website as well as the online decision support too Mediterranean Integrated Geographical Information System on Marine Pollution Risk Assessment and Response (MEDGIS-MAR). Terms of Reference for the review of MIDSIS-TROCS within the framework of the West MOPoCo Project finalised and related procurement process launched. Consultation process launched, through the Mediterranean Technical Working Group (MTWG), for the establishment of a Common Emergency Communication System for the Mediterranean within the framework of the West MOPoCo Project. Review and update of REMPEC Country Profile reviewed and updated by partners of the West MOPoCo Project (i.e. Algeria, France, Italy, Malta, Morocco, Spain and Tunisia, as well as Monaco) as well as their respective list of response equipment and experts on MEDGIS-MAR; Microsoft Teams set up to facilitate work during teleworking arrangements. Digital telephone system set up to ensure REMPEC staff can be accessible on the Centre telephone number at anytime from anywhere, in particular in case of 		Concept for the development of a Common Emergency Communication System for the Mediterranean prepared within the framework of the West MOPoCo Project.	
1.5.1.6. Redesign the online SPAMI Evaluation System.	SPA/RAC	emergency. Terms of reference prepared for the development of an online SPAMI Evaluation System.	An IT firm hired in December 2020, after two unsuccessful (in July and October 2020) and a last fruitful call for tenders (in November 2020).	The online SPAMI Evaluation System developed, and being tested by SPA/RAC.	The SPAMI Evaluation System web application to be ready and available online for external users in September 2021.

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1.5.2.1. Ensure effective operation of the BCRS on-line reporting system.	INFO/RAC		 Effective operation of the BCRS on-line reporting system ensured and further development in progress. Help desk and support to CPs for the BCRS on-line reporting system provided and on-going. Automatic data import from previous report enabled. First version of Data analysis dashboard developed based on the CU specifications. 	 Effective operation of the BCRS on-line reporting system ensured and further development in progress. Help desk and support to CPs for the BCRS on-line reporting system provided and on-going. Automatic data import from previous report enabled. First version of Data analysis dashboard developed based on the CU specifications. 	The BCRS on-line reporting system tuned and upgraded.
Strategic Outcome 1.6. Raised awaren	ess and outread	•h.			
1.6.1. The UNEP/MAP communication					
	INFO/RAC	- MAP and MAP Components' websites updated regularly.	●INFO/RAC website updated regularly;	- INFO/RAC website updated regularly.	- MAP and MAP Components' websites to be updated regularly.
1.6.1.1. Implement the operational Communication Strategy.	INTO/NAC		● ②OP21 website migrated on INFO/RAC website and maintained - News and communication material produced and disseminated. - MAP presence on the Twitter social media platform strengthened. - Networking and internal communication increased. - New tools adopted: twitter cards developed and disseminated. - MAP Com TF meeting regularly held. - MED News: 3 issues produced and launched.	 News and communication material produced and disseminated. MAP presence on the Twitter social media platform strengthened. Networking and internal communication increased. New tools adopted: twitter cards disseminated. MAP Com TF meeting regularly held. MED News: 3 issues produced and launched. IMELS Agreement Communication Plan developed and implemented. 	 Communication material and campaigns to be developed. Communication pack for MAP flagship publications to be developed. Biennial publication on emerging topics/threats highlighting existing knowledge gaps to be prepared. Engagement with traditional media increased and MAP presence on social media to be developed.
			 - IMELS Agreement Communication Plan developed and implemented. - MAP Communication TF networking strengthened. - COVID 19 pandemic information disseminated. - Med SOx ECA story map developed and launched on-line. - Clean Air Digital Campaign developed, launched and implemented. - Coast Day Digital Campaign developed, launched and implemented. - SoED Digital Campaign developed, launched and implemented. - Logo for Bosnia and Herzegovina CAMP Project developed and officially in use. - Knowledge Hub concept for MAP publications and documentation developed and under implementation. 	 MAP Communication TF networking strengthened. COVID 19 pandemic information disseminated. Biodiversity Day Digital Campaign developed, launched and implemented. Logo for Bosnia and Herzegovina CAMP Project developed and website designed and developed. Knowledge Hub concept for MAP publications and documentation developed and under implementation. SeaWatchers: website revamped and content updated. 	 - Homogeneity and consistency of MAP system's image to be increased. - MAP's multiple database and information systems to be leveraged to raise awareness and understanding. - MAP's reach to be increased by joint communication. - Knowledge on MAP mandate and action to be enhanced. - Internal communication to be increased. - MAP Staff communication capacity to be enhanced.
	SPA/RAC	identity. - ID Guide and simplified ID Guide on vulnerable species accidentally caught in the Mediterranean Sea translated in Arabic, printed (in EN, FR, AR), and disseminated within the MedBycatch project and online through SPA/RAC website, and a quizz on marine species disseminated to promote these products. - A webinar organized and a video produced to raise awareness on Kuriat Islands and promote co-management of MPAs in Tunisia (MedKeyHabitats II, MedBycatch, Turtle Projects).	- SPA/RAC contributed to 4 webinars for the general public and journalists on ocean	screenings, debates and large posters displayed in public areas, to raise awareness about marine conservation.	 SPA/RAC agenda 2022 to be produced and disseminated to inform on biodiversity & SPAs and SPA/RAC mandate. Two short videos on biodiversity and MPAs to be produced, for a dissamination by the COP22. Translation into French, layout and dissemination of the Interpretation Manual of marine habitat Types to eb completed.
		(Environmental film festival in Tunisia) in order to raise awareness on marine habitats and species conservation in particular in 4 coastal cities (La Marsa in June - Monastir in	governance & biodiversity conservation, MPAs & climate change, biodiversity in Tunisia and in the Mediterranean. - SPA/RAC 2021 agenda with illustration and messages on biodiversity conservation printed and disseminated. - Communications agency hired to develop the visual identity for the SAPBIO post-2020 process. - Original goodies produced for the MedBycatch/Marine turtles/MPA/NTZ projects (reusable masks and bags made from upcycled fabric). - Finalization of SPA/RAC graphic charter update ongoing. - Translation of the updated SoED summary and key messages into AR ongoing, as a contribution for the dissemination of the SoED results.	- Webinar organised with MEDPAN to present the new edition of MAPAMED (22 April 2021). - Contribution provided to 9 online events (Jan. – Jun. 2021) related to MPA financing and designation, Barcelona Convention & SPA/BD Protocol, IMAP and MSP, climate change, endangered species, pollution, SOED.	
	REMPEC	 Contact established with a well-known video animator for the production of an animated video, from which illustrations will be used to prepare promotional material. REMPEC followed up with INFO/RAC to update and produce a banner based on COP 21. REMPEC staff participation to Earth Hour local events. Active participation to the UNEP/MAP Communication Task Force. Contribution to the MED NEWS and regular input for publication of UNEP/MAP articles provided. Regular update of the news section of REMPEC website ensured. 	 Active participation to the UNEP/MAP Communication Task Force; Contribution to the MED NEWS and regular input for publication of UNEP/MAP articles provided. Regular update of the news section of REMPEC website ensured. 	- Awareness, information materials on marine pollution from ships produced and disseminated Video procuction SOx ECA launched to be completed by September Procurement video production Med Strategy launched.	- Video on SOx ECA to be finalised and published Video production on Med Strategy to be finalised and published.
	Plan Bleu	SoED communication strategy finalized and launched: SoED publication & presentation in at least two events (postponed due to Covid situation). Virtual presentation of key conclusions in events organised by Contracting Parties (Tunisia on DATE, Morocco on DATE). Plan Bleu website and communication formats modernized. Contribution to disseminating and feeding in CU and other components communication products.	 SoED presentation in at least two events. Plan Bleu communication formats modernized (continued). Contribution provided to disseminating and feeding in CU and other components communication products. 	 Plan Bleu communication modernized (continued). Contribution provided to disseminating and feeding in CU and other components communication products. 	 Plan Bleu communication modernized (continued). Contribution to disseminating and feeding in CU and other components communication products. Communication during IUCN Congress.
	MED POL	- Facts/information and figures related to progress made in MED POL PoW areas provided for inclusion in UNEP/MAP website including work progress for preparation of the regional plans, IMAP, Compliance and enforcement regarding the Dumping protocol, development of guidelines for NBB/PRTR, work related to marine litter, plastic waste partnership with the Basel Convention. - Details of coordination work and contribution provided towards implementation of initiative developed by other UN bodies and agencies. - Contribution provided to the development of the new UNEP/MAP website, and MED POL link.		- Up-to-date timely information provided on activities related to outputs of missions undertaken, consultancies, legal instruments, meetings, etc. in the framework of MED POL PoW outputs - Inputs for communication purpses of the main outcome of the work of MEDPOL and meetings (Assessment products, Regional Plans, Update of Annexes, Marine Litter, Implementation of Protocols, Impleementation of IMAP pollution and litter cluster) prepared and provided.	- Information fiches on key areas MED POL is involved in to be provided. Information fiches would culminate data and figures collected throughout the biennium from meetings, consultancies, missions, legal instrments. Updated information would serve to update UNEP/MAP website, produce information articles, feedback on news flaches, etc.
	CU	 The new UNEP/MAP website finalized and launched internally; MAP system wide communication plan on SoED. MAP participation in IUCN World congress and Ocean Conference discussed and coordinated (events postponed). Support to submission of MAP system publications to UNEP publishing board provided. 	 The new UNEP/MAP website launched and announced. Text of the "The Young Person's Guide to the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols" prepared and submitted for design; elements of a campaign to raise awareness of microplastics in the Mediterranean developed. Support to submission of MAP system publications to UNEP publishing board provided; Coast Day 2020 is organized and rolled out as a regional MAP system event jointly with PAP/RAC and Communication Taskforce. Support to SoED launch event. Communication Plan for the Bilateral Agreement with IMELS prepared and implemented. 	- Campaign on microplastics in the Mediterranean launched with the support of Taskforce (elements to be used around Mediterranean Coast Day, as part of the MAP system campaign); - Communication toolkit for partner CSOs finalized (in order to maximize efficiency, it has been agreed to build a curated toolkit based on readily available material covering key themes; batches of communication products already shared by RACs), translated and disseminated The "Barcelona Convention explained to children" preparation continued; to be made available online before COP 22 Support to submission of MAP system publications to UNEP publishing board provided.	Braille version of the Barcelona Convention produced; Communication plan of COP 22 implemented with INFO/RAC and Communication Taskforce. Coast Day 2021 is organized and rolled out as a regional MAP event jointly with PAP/RAC and Communication Taskforce.
1.6.1.2. Organize the annual celebrations of the Mediterranean Coast Day.	PAP/RAC	Preparatory activities launched for the regional celebration to be held in Malta but interrupted due to the COVID situation. Decision taken to organise an online event and preparatory activities started.	Preparatory activities finalised in collaboration with INFO/RAC and online regional celebration held. Ten CPs supported in organising local Coast Day events.	Preparatory activities launched for an online event: drafting of programme and invitation letters.	Preparatory activities to be finalised and regional celebration to be held online on 25 September.
1.6.1.3. Support national/local Coast Day celebrations organised by CPs.	PAP/RAC		Promotional material provided to organisers. Presence of PAP/RAC representative(s) ensured, as appropriate.		Promotional material to be provided to organisers. Presence of PAP/RAC representative(s) to be ensured.

1.6.1.4. Implement the 3 rd edition of the agreed procedure to grant the Istanbul Environment Friendly City Award.		Voluntary contribution from Turkey is secured; the call for applicant cities is launched (communication campaign); applications are collected (first screening).	Recruitment process for 3 independent experts; Technical Committee established; Applications shared with the Technical Committee; Evaluations carried out.	Applicant cities to be notified of the results; Award giving ceremony to be duly prepared; the Award to be confered (COP22 - TBC).
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THEME 2 LAND AND SEA BASED POLLUTION

PoW Activities	Component	onent Achievements/Deliveables/ Milestones				
		January-June 2020	July - December 2020	January-June 2021	July - December 2021	
		mplementation of the obligations under the Barcelona Conve	ntion and 4 pollution -related Protocols, and of programmes	of measures in existing relevant Regional Strategies and Ac	tion Plans.	
		strategies facilitated and implemented.		Territoria de la compansión de la compan	Territoria de la companya della companya della companya de la companya della comp	
2.1.1.1. Assess the implementation of the existing Regional Plans/Measures developed under Article 15 of the	MED POL		Reports submitted by the Contracting Parties for the biennium 2018-2019 for existing Regional Plans' implementation reviewed.	Final evaluation of implementation of targeted measures with a timetable by 2021 in progress for the regional plans (mercury, POPs and BOD). Best practices on implementation of Regional Plans measures deduced.	Final evaluation of the implementation of the regional plans (mercury, POPs and BOD) and related best practices to be shared with COP22 as information document	
LBS Protocol, including socio- economic analysis.	SCP/RAC		Document prepared by MEDPOL for POPs and Mercury reviewed by SCP/RAC.	Document prepared by MEDPOL for POPs and Mercury reviewed by SCP/RAC.		
2.1.1.2. Promote the use of relevant instruments and incentives to prevent/ reduce	MED POL				SSFAs to be signed with 7 countries in the framework of ML MED II to promote the use of relevant instruments and incentives to prevent/reduce plastic pollution.	
plastic pollution including the generation of single-use plastic bags and microplastics; abandoned, lost, discarded	SCP/RAC		- Terms of reference for the organisation of a regional training on Single Use Plastics (SUPs) developed - Peer-to-peer process as part of the SUP Regional Activity kicked off.	- Regional Acivity on SUP organised (Online due to COVID-19) - Peer-to peer process followed up Report of the regional activity prepared.		
fishing gear (ALDFG); marine litter generated from aquaculture activities; marine litter from ships; and e-waste.	REMPEC	from Sea-based Sources in Ports and Marinas in the Adriatic organised		"Marine Litter-MED II" Project.		
2.1.1.3. Promote reduction of municipal wastewater from small agglomerations using nature-based solutions; and prevention of sewage sludge and storm water-related waste from entering into the marine environment using BAT/BEP, and in particular Waste to Energy Technologies (W-ET).	MED POL	Aspects related to BAT/BEP for nature-based solutions, prevention of sewage sludge and storm water-related waste entering into the marine environment incorporated into the consultancy for the Regional Plans for Urban Wastewater Treatment and Sewage Sludge Management aiming to address BEPs for the reuse of high-quality products (both wastewater and sludge).	- BAT/BEP for nature-based solutions presented to the First Working Group Meeting for the Regional Plans for Urban Wastewater Treatment and Sewage Sludge Management (November 2020). - Aspects related to prevention of sewage sludge and storm water related-waste entering into the marine environment discussed as specific aspects addressed in the new Regional Plans for Urban Wastewater Treatment and Sewage Sludge Management in the First Working Group Meeting for the aforementioned Regional Plans held in November 2020.		Aspects related to nature-based solutions; and prevention of sewage sludge and storm water-related waste from entering into the marine environment to be submitted as information document to the COP 22.	
2.1.1.4. Promote the use of relevant instruments for the identification and implementation of alternatives to POPs and mercury at the regional, and sub-regional level.	SCP/RAC				- Side event to be organised at 2021 onine segment of the BRS COP on strategies to boost new POPS prevention (28/07/2021) and sharing of the recordings with Mediterranean stakeholders.	

2.1.1.5. Strengthen the capacity of individual coastal States to respond efficiently to marine pollution incidents through the development of sub-regional operational agreements and contingency plans, and enhance the levels of pre-positioned spill response equipment under the direct control of Mediterranean coastal States.	REMPEC	relaunch the activity for the development of the NCP of B&H (savings from organisation of virtual events due to COVID used); - Consultation held with Cyprus, Egypt and Greece to progress on the finalisation of the Annexes to the Sub-regional Oil Marine Pollution Contingency Plan. No response from Egypt despite several contact and	following Egypt withdrawal - Manuals on National Mechanisms for the mobilisation of response equipment and experts in case of emergency implemented in Western Mediterranean countries reviewed by MEDEXPOL 2020, subject to postponement of event to 2021.	response equipment and experts in case of emergency implemented in Western Mediterranean countries reviewed by REMPEC FPM - B&H National training course and Meeting of the competent authorities organised;	special revolving fund replenished. - Meeting of the authorities in charge of the existing Sub-regional Marine Oil Pollution Contingency Plan (ALgeria, Morocco, Tunisia) to be supported
2.1.1.6. Improve follow-up of pollution events, monitoring and surveillance of illicit discharges, as well as enhance level of enforcement and the prosecution of discharge offenders.	REMPEC	-Preparatory work carried out with a view to following up on the Conclusions and Recommendations from the 3rd MENELAS meeting pertaining to the work of the MENELAS Working Group as well as launching the work of the said group in early Q3 2020. - 4 th MENELAS meeting originally planned for September 2020 postponed to be organised remotely by REMPEC and preparatory consultations will be held accordingly; and - Meetings to which the Chair of MENELAS would be invited to represent the network were eventually cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. - Contracting Parties invited by REMPEC to share information on any coordinated aerial surveillance operations for illicit ship pollution discharges; and - Coordinated aerial surveillance operations put on holddue to COVID-19	- Work of the MENELAS Working Group launched;	- Draft common marine oil pollution detection/investigation report prepared; - Draft decision to apply criteria for a common minimum level of fines for each offense provided for under the Annexes to MARPOL prepared; - Report of the MENELAS Working Group, draft common marine oil pollution detection/investigation report and draft decision to apply criteria for a common minimum level of fines for each offense provided for under the Annexes to MARPOL submitted to the 4th Meeting of MENELAS for review and consideration; and - 4th Meeting of MENELAS organised.	
		of new/existing action plans, programmes and measures, com			
2.2.1 Guidelines, decision-suppor	t tools, comm	on standards and criteria provided for in the Protocols and the	Regional Plans, developed and/or updated for key priority su	ubstances or sectors.	
2.2.1.1. Update the Annexes of the pollution-related Protocols.	MED POL	Review of existing documents for updating the annexes for LBS and Dumping Protocols undertaken	 Updated draft of annex of Dumping Protocol prepared for submission to the Working Group in the meeting on compliance and permitting (Feb. 2021). Updated draft annexes of the LBS protocol prepared in house and submitted to the respective Working Group in November 2020. 	 Updated draft of annex of Dumping Protocol discussed by the Working Group in the meeting on compliance and permitting in Feb. 2021. Updated Annexes of the LBS and Dumping Protocols submitted to the Meeting of the MED POL Focal Points in May 2021 for its consideration. 	Updated Final Draft of annexes to LBS and Dumping Protocols to be submitted for consideration and approval by the MAP FP Meeting and for adoption by COP 22.
	REMPEC	Activity pending progress on the recruitment of the Offshore consultant expected in Q3 2020.	 Offshore Protocol temporary support on board; Working group (OFOG) established; and First draft revised Annexes to the Offshore Protocol prepared in coordination with CU and MED POL and in consultation with the Offshore Protocol Focal Points. 	Revised Annexes to the Offshore Protocol reviewed by the Barcelona Convention Offshore Oil and Gas Group (OFOG).	Revised Annexes to the Offshore Protocol to be finalised and submitted for MAP FP and COP 22 consideration
	SCP/RAC			Participation in the working groups as appropriate and comments provided on deliverables prepared by MEDPOL.	
2.2.1.2. Develop/ update technical Guidelines addressing diffuse sources and plastic pollution.	MED POL	and rendering a list of QA/QC procedure for national and regional level	First Draft of NBB guidelines addressing diffuse sources of pollution, aquaculture and run-off prepared in collaboration with OECD. NBB update methodology including data dictionaries for reporting under NBBs for each group of pollutants and QA/QC checklist finalized.	Draft NBB guidelines addressing diffuse sources of pollution, aquaculture and runoff presented in the Meeting on NBB methodologies, data dictionaries for NBB reporting in April 2021.	Draft NBB guidelines addressing diffuse sources of pollution, aquaculture and runoff to be presented to the MED POL FP Meeting in October 2021 for approval in order to be submitted to COP22 as information documents.

	REMPEC	Activity pending progress on the recruitment of the Offshore consultant expected in Q3 2020.	- Offshore Protocol temporary support on board First draft of the revised Offshore Guidelines for the Conduct of Environmental Impact Assessment (Offshore EIA Guidelines) prepared in coordination with CU and MED POL and in consultation with the Offshore Protocol Focal Points.	Offshore Oil and Gas Group (OFOG). - Stengthened implementation of the Mediterranean Offshore	
	SCP/RAC	 Concept note for the development of the SUP guidelines prepared and reviewed by MEDPOL. Literature review and analysis of ongoing initiatives. Establishment of a team of regional expert and national. consultants to gain knowledge on the situation regarding SUP in selected Mediterranean countries (Morocco, Montenegro and Egypt). 2 webinars organised with the team to review and agree on the working methodology. A background document prepared. 	 Analysis of the impact of the preferred policy options on selected SUP. Drafting of the guidelines document ongoing. Review of the draft guidelines undertaken (selected experts and online consultation with countries). 	- Final draft of the guidelines presented to SCP/RAC FPs - Updated version incorporating comments /suggestions prepared.	- Final version of the guidelines submitted to the MAP FPs - Guidelines disseminated at the COP22.
2.2.1.3. Revise the existing recommendations, principles and guidelines, and develop new ones aimed at facilitating international cooperation and mutual assistance within the framework of the 2002 Prevention and Emergency Protocol.	REMPEC	comments to the partners of the project in charge of drafting of the Manual.	- MIDSIS-TROCS updated and upgraded. - Manual and tool to evaluate oil spill management capabilities developed and synthesis of national assessment prepared. - Common emergency communication system for the Mediterranean , concept note established. - Second draft Guidance for the development of national mechanism for the mobilisation of response equipment and experts reviewed by MEDEXPOL 2020.	REMPEC FPM - MIDSIS-TROCKS published on REMPEC Website - Third Draft Guidance for the development of national mechanism for the mobilisation of response equipment and experts reviewed by REMPEC FPM - First Draft Study on Condensate Spills prepared and reviewed by the MTWG and Second draft by REMPEC FP Meeting.	
2.2.2 Regional programmes of me	easures iden	tified and negotiated for pollutants/ categories (sectors) showin	ng increasing trends, including the revision of existing regional	plans and areas of consumption and production.	
2.2.2.1. Develop the Regional Plan for Municipal Wastewater Treatment.	MED POL	- One working group for reviewing draft Regional Plans for Urban Wastewater Treatment and Sewage Sludge Management established.	First draft of Regional Plan for wastewater treatment along with stipulated guidelines and standards presented for review and discussion of First Meeting for Working Group on urban Wastewater Treatment in November 2020.	- Final draft of Regional Plan for wastewater treatment presented	Regional plan on Wastewater Treatment to be submitted for consideration to the MAP FP Meeting and COP 22 for adoption.
2.2.2.2. Develop the Regional Plan for Sewage Sludge Management.	MED POL	 One working group for reviewing draft Regional Plans for Urban Wastewater Treatment and Sewage Sludge Management established. Terms of reference for a consultant to prepare Regional Plan for sewage sludge management prepared. 	First draft of Regional Plan for sewage sludge management presented for review and discussion of First Meeting for Working Group on urban Wastewater Treatment in November 2020.	- Final draft of Regional Plan for sewage sludge management presented for review and discussion of Second Meeting for Working Group on Urban Wastewater Treatment and Sewage Sludge Management in May 2021 (back to back with MED POL FP Meeting). - Regional Plan on sewage sludge management reviewed by MED POL FP Meeting and submission of updated draft to MAP Focal Points Meeting for approval recommended.	Regional plan on sewage sludge management to be submitted for consideration to the MAP FP Meeting and COP 22 for adoption.
2.2.2.3. Upgrade Marine Litter Regional Plan/or develop new technical annexes to incorporate new elements including microplastics and emerging pollutants as appropriate.	MED POL	A working group for reviewing updated draft of Regional Plan for Marine Litter Management established.	Updating work of the Regional Plan on Marine Litter Management in the Mediterranean in progress.		Updated regional plan for marine litter to be submitted for consideration to the MAP FP Meeting and COP 22 for adoption.

	SCP/RAC		Working group for the upgrade of the ML regional Plan organised by MEDPOL attended.	Working group for the upgrade of the ML regional Plan organised by MEDPOL attended as well as bilateral meetings and technical inputs prepared.	
		mentation of marine pollution prevention and control legislat emented and targeted outputs timely delivered.	ion and policies at national level, including through enforcem	ent and Integration into sectorial processes.	
	MED POL	Concept and draft ToR for the Midterm NAP Evaluation and for Updating NAP Factsheets prepared in accordance with a developed "Midterm Evaluation Methodology;" for collecting information and technical data for updating NAP Assessment Factsheets that was developed during the previous NAP midterm evaluation ending in 2015.	NAP Assessment Factsheets for the period of 2015-2020 updated and Report on Midterm Evaluation of the NAP in progress taking into consideration 3rd and 4th cycles of National Baseline Budget Reports (NBB); National LBS Reports submitted to Barcelona Convention Reporting System (BCRS); evaluation of the Regional Plans in 2019 and its factsheets; recent NAP/H2020 Indicator based assessment report; synergies between related SDGs implementation under Agenda 2030; as well as potential impacts of emerging issues such as COVID-19 on NAPs implementation.	 Draft report submitted to MED POL FP Meeting in May 2021 before submission to the MAP Focal Points Meeting in September 2021. Fact sheets under preparation. 	 Report on midterm NAP evaluation to be submitted to MAP FP Meeting as information document, including prepared fact sheets. Report on midterm NAP evaluation to be submitted to COP 22 as information document.
	SCP/RAC (New POPs)	 Participation to the coordination meeting for child project 1.1 (Med Programme - London - 27-28 Feb 2019)). Annexes prepared for the signature of the PCA with MAP CU (Workplan, budget, procurement plan) 	-Participation in the MedProgramme Inception Meeting (20-22 July) and activities on New POPs prevention presented.	 ToR and legal process for the selection of a team of international and national experts for the C.P 1.1 prepared. Detailed planning of activities, and review of current regulation regarding New POPs in Tunisia, Morocco and Lebanon prepared. 	 ToR to be disseminated and legal process for the selection of a team of international and national experts for the C.P 1.1 to be finalised. Implementation of the planned activities in Tunisia, Morocco and Lebanon to be started.
	SCP/RAC (Plastic)	- Follow-up meeting on the immplementation of the SUPB Roadmap in Egypt (coordination meetings with UNIDO an Japanese cooperation) held.	- Preparatory activities for the development of a communication plan on the SUPB Decree in Tunisia undertaken.		 ToR activities on EPR for plastic packaging in Algeria (Wilaya Oran) and Morocco to be implemented. ToR activities on SUPB in Tunisia, Egypt and Algeria to be implemented. ToR activities on EPR in Lebanon to be implemented.
2.3.2. NAPs developed to implem	ent the Region	al Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution			
2.3.2.1. Enhance ratification and implementation of relevant international maritime Conventions related to the protection of the marine environment and support the effectiveness of maritime administrations.		Focal Points of REMPEC) consulted: Egypt responded to the request and proposed a team of national consultants to be recruited by REMPEC for the preparation of the NAP. - An ad-hoc inter-ministerial meeting attended by the Secretariat of the MAP - Barcelona Convention System and REMPEC held with the Tunisian competent authorities (Tunis, Tunisia, 11 March 2020) to address Decision IG.24/8. - National Workshop on Ratification and Effective Implementation of MARPOL Annex VI for Lebanon (Beirut, Lebanon, 17-18 March 2020) postponed to a later date due to the current COVID-19 pandemic; - Draft letters prepared with regard the National Workshops on Ratification and Effective Implementation of MARPOL Annex VI for Algeria, Egypt and Lebanon, which were eventually sent by UNEP/MAP to the relevant ministers. - Considering the uncertainty surrounding the travel bans applied across the region due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the event in Lebanon and similar events to be organised in Algeria and Egypt, were postponed to Q4 2020 and will be organised remotely subject to the confirmation of the dates and of the participation of relevant stakeholders by the relevant competent authorities.	- Three National Workshops on Ratification and Effective Implementation of MARPOL Annex VI organised, remotely, for Algeria, Egypt and Lebanon.		- National Workshops on Ratification and Effective Implementation of MARPOL Annex VI to be organised, for Israel.
2.3.3 SCP Regional Action Plan (p 2.3.3.1. Support the establishment of regulatory and economic measures realated to the implementation of SCP/circular economy.	ollution- relate	- Candidate countries contacted and interest to tackle biowaste validated (following SwitcMed I pilot projects results in Morocco on the production of biogaz from agriculture manure and Lebanon on composting biowaste from wineries). - Online meeting held with Catalan Waste Agency and Moroccan SCP/RAC Focal Point.	- Draft concept note of activity to tackle organic waste in Morocco prepared.	- Plan to provide technical support to strengthen policy framework	- Technical experts to be hired and implementation of the agreed activity in Morocco to be carried out.
Strategic Outcome 2.4 Marine Po 2.4.1: National pollution and litte			er IMAP indicators, implemented and supported by data quali	ty assurance and control.	

2.4.1.1. Continue supporting updated national monitoring programmes on marine litter, contaminants and eutrophication in line with IMAP, the LBS Protocol and the Regional Plan on Marine Litter.	MED POL	Support ongoing for updated national monitoring programmes on marine litter, contaminants and eutrophication in line with IMAP, the LBS Protocol and the Regional Plan on Marine Litter.	Two ToRs for consultancies to support work related to aggregation and integration rules for EO5; EO9; EO10, considering also national IMAPs prepared.	- Work in progress to undertake the tasks as defined in two ToRs; ToRs prepared for consultancy related to preparation of GIS layers in order to support scales of assessment and application of aggregation and integration rules. - Documents prepared containing: i) the methodology for proposing the spatial scales of assessment from the scales of monitoring as defined in national IMAP Pollution and Marine Litter Cluster-based monitoring programmes, ii) the rules for integration of monitoring and assessment areas within the IMAP Pollution and Marine Litter Cluster (EO5, EO9, EO10), considering also interrelation with the Coast & Hydrography (EO6, EO7) and Biodiversity (EO1) Clusters, therefore detailing the rules for integration of monitoring efforts within relevant monitoring units; iii) the rules for aggregation — integration of assessments for specific IMAP Common Indicators/Ecological Objectives towards integrated GES assessment for IMAP Pollution and Marine Litter Cluster along with the application of the assessment criteria and DPSIR approach within the nested scheme. - Documents discussed by the Meetings of CorMon on Pollution Monitoring (April) and MEDPOL FPs (May/July).	Extension of one of the 2 TORs undertaken to support tetsing of proposed GES methodology (in realtion to 2.4.3.1).
2.4.1.2. Consolidate data dictionaries and data standards for all IMAP Common Indicators related to Pollution and apply data quality control schemes.	MED POL	Terms of reference prepared for consultancies to further work on preparation of DDs for EO 9; if need be update of DDs for EO5 and EO10, as well as overall integration of national assessments; leading the consultations to determine the status of national data bases/ISs, taking into consideration relevant activities to be supported through EcAp MED III and IMAP MPA projects.	Work in progress for preparation of documents: -Decision on preparation of DDs for CI18 and CI 20 (3rd and 4th Qs) Decision on Review DDs for CI 17, as well as for CI13 and 14 (3rd and 4th Qs) Further development of the QAs and QC schemes (based on schemes) at the level of IMAP Info System, including detail consideration of all IMAP Pollution related indicators (3rd and 4th Qs).	- The initial proposal of the elements of DDs for CIs 18 and 20 discussed by the Meeting of CorMon on Pollution Monitoring. Further to work undertaken to address requests received from the Meeting of CorMon, the advanced proposal of DDs prepared to launch data reporting for CIs 18 and 20, subject of approval from CorMon Pollution/EcAp CG. - Work is ongoing to take the stock of data reported in IMAP IS, considering a lack of its optimal operational functioning, as well as to propose some new QC categories to control the quality of data reported into IS.	Coordination with INFO/RAC ensured for it to undertake the steps for improving IMAP IS functioning further to the outcome of work under this activity.
2.4.1.3. Undertake harmonized and coordinated quality assurance programmes (contaminants, marine litter and eutrophication) at regional/ subregional and national levels.	MED POL	 Agreement with IAEA-MESL prepared and signed aimed at preparation of the monitoring protocols (Ci13,14,17,18 and Ci20) along with the QA/QC to be applied at national level, realization of PTs and TCs in 2020/2021, proposal for future cooperation of UNEP/MAP and IAEA, hands on training, etc. One consultancy to support work for preparation of methodologies for integrated GES assessment for E05 and EO9 upgrade of assessment criteria for EO9; including piloting the application of proposed integrated GES assessment methodology in up to two sub-regions initiated. 	the Meeting of CorMon on Pollution Monitoring and guidance provided to direct further work.	Implementation of UN_UN Agreement ongoing; All the activities finalized with exception of i) preparation of national reports; ii) organization of the two missions to the countries; and iii) organization of 2021 TCs. Extension of the UN_UN agreement till the end of Feb 2022 initiated due to travel restrictions related to COVID-19; Consultations undertaken to define the scope of collaboration with IAEA MESL in 2022-2023.	- Preparatory work for the organization of the country missions and 2021 TC to be undertaken (subject of lifting travel restrictions) Final report on work to be prepared.
2.4.1.4. Harmonize and standardize the monitoring and assessment methods of pollution and marine litter in line with IMAP.	MED POL	Terms of reference for two consultant prepared to support in-house work on i) development of the assessment criteria for nutrients') update the BACs/EACs and provide their calculation at sub-regional level, iii) integration of scales of monitoring and their further integration into scales of monitoring; iv) integrated GES assessment for EO5; vi) leadership of the on-line WG on eutrophication, if established;	Work in progress for preparation of documents on: - Development of the assessment criteria for nutrients; - Update the BACs/EACs and provide their calculation at sub-regional level; -Scientific report from OWG, if decision to establish OWG are timely undertaken; -Proposal related to integrated GES assessment methodology for EO5.	Relevant documents presented to the Meetings of CorMon Pollution (April) and MEDPOL Focal Points (July). Positive feedback received regarding i) proposed upgraded criteria for CI 17 and 20; ii) long-term approach to set the criteria for CI18; iii) setting of the criteria for nutrients; Conclusion reached that these documents are of evolving nature and further work should continue, including through OWGs, subject to data reporting from the CPs. 2	Further upgraded proposal of the criteria to be prepared and applied within the testing of GES methodology as proposed within integration and aggregation rules.
2.4.2: Inventories of pollutant loa	ds (NBB, PRT	R from land-based sources, and from offshore and shipping) re	gularly updated, reported and assessed.		
2.4.2.1. Ensure efficient NBB/PRTR reporting and provide support to up to 10 CPs including quality assurance control of data.	MED POL	Assessment of NBB reports at national, sub-regional and regional levels in order to provide feedback on gaps and technical support to 10 countries (south and Balkans) in progress and assessment developed under H2020 Regional Assessment Report; review of national NAPs assessment reports in progress; and findings in a comprehensive Midterm NAP evaluation report undergoing (Q2) 2020.	Assessment of NBB submitted reports undertaken providing the need of improvement for sustainable reporting processes at national, subregional and regional levels under preparation (Q3) / completed (Q4) based on 4th Cycle of NBB.		Assessment report as part of NAP Midterm Evaluation to be presented to MAP FP Meeting and COP 22 as Information Document.
2.4.3: Marine pollution assessme	nt tools (in de	epth thematic assessment, maps and indicator factsheets) deve	loped and updated for key pollutants and sectors within EcAp).	

2.4.3.1. Update thematic assessment products related to pollution and marine litter cluster of IMAP, including prevailing industrial sectors and priority pollutants/sectors addressed by the Regional Plans; and seabased sources of pollution.	MED POL	and impacts of aquaculture on marine environment; and state of play of urban storm water on the marine environment prepared. - Assessment of implementation of regional plans by mainstreaming NBB/PRTR monitoring data on the regional/sub-regional levels included in the ToR for NAP mid-term evaluation	- Work in progress on assessments of status and impacts of agriculture nutrients and contaminants on marine environment; status and impacts of aquaculture on marine environment; and state of play of urban storm water on the marine environment - Work in progress to undertake an assessment of implementation of regional plans by mainstreaming NBB/PRTR monitoring data on the regional/sub-regional levels as part of the NAP mid-term evaluation. - Report for the assessment of the top single use marine litter items in the Mediterranean and their contribution on microplastic generation reviewed and updated.	· ·	- Initial results of testing GES methodology for EO5 and EO9 to be prepared for consultations. - Updated assessment factsheets for NAP/ H2020 initiative implementation to be submitted to MAP FP Meeting for review and as information document to COP22 - Assessments of status and impacts of agriculture nutrients and contaminants on marine environment; status and impacts of aquaculture on marine environment; and state of play of urban storm water to be presented to MED POL FP Meeting in October 2021 for approval in order to be used as background documents for preparation of related Regional Plans - Assessment of implementation of regional plans by mainstreaming NBB/PRTR monitoring data on the regional/sub-regional levels to be submitted to MAP FP Meeting as information document, as part of the NAP Midterm Evaluation as well as to COP22 as information document - Assessment of the top single use marine litter items in the Mediterranean and their contribution on microplastic generation to be submitted to MAP FP Meeting for review and as information document to COP22 - Work in progress for assessment and mapping of fisheries and aquaculture contribution to marine litter generation in the Mediterranean.
	REMPEC	 Steering Committee established composed of representatives from MED POL, SPA/RAC, ECAP Project Team, CU and REMPEC; Team of consultants recruited for the preparation of a Study on trends and outlook of marine pollution from ships and activities and of maritime traffic and offshore activities in the Mediterranean, in consultation with the Steering Committee. Quotation requested for the preparation of a study related to ship movement forecast for the next 5, 10, 20 and 30 years to complement the Study on trends and outlook of marine pollution from ships and activities and of maritime traffic and offshore activities in the Mediterranean. 	activities and of maritime traffic and offshore activities in the Mediterranean reviewed by the Steering Committee		
Strategic Outcome 2.5 Enhanced	ranacity at rec	gional, sub- regional and national levels including technical assi	istance and canacity huilding		
		areas such as pollution monitoring, pollutant inventories, policy		and inspections bodies, compliance with national legislati	ion.
2.5.1.1. Support countries in the implementation of IMAP with a particular focus on scale of assessment, offshore monitoring, integration of indicators towards GES and joint monitoring.	MED POL	Consultations undertaken with regards to (1) methodology for application of modelling tools and remote sensing data for integrated GES assessment and (2) application of developed methodology within above specified integrated GES assessment of two sub-regions.	External support on use of remote sensing products within integrated GES assessment left to be decided in 3rd and 4th Qs;	One consultancy extended to support spatial component within the testing of GES methodology (in relation to 2.4.1.1), Due to increased meeting costs for the organization of the Meetings of CorMons and MEDPOL FP, still, decision on allocating budget for SSFA with CP (s) pending. Extensive consultations on preparation Offshore strategy initiated, including the ToRs for Consultancy to support this work.	SSFAs with CP(s) to be prepared (pending final decision on this modality).
2.5.1.2. Share best practices on Dumping Protocol Guidelines implementation at regional/ subregional/ national levels.	MED POL	Contacts with LC/LP established for a consultant to cooperate with them and to develop guidelines on further reinforcing and developing techniques for monitoring of dumping activities and compliance monitoring and permitting conditions.	techniques for the assessment and monitoring of adverse impacts of dumping activities" and "Compendium of Best Environmental Practices for Implementation of the Dumping Protocol", in cooperation with IMO.	"Guidelines Common methodologies and techniques for the assessment and monitoring of adverse impacts of dumping activities" and "Compendium of Best Environmental Practices for Implementation of the Dumping Protocol", presented in the Joint Meeting with IMO on Sharing the Best Practices for Implementation, Compliance and Enforcement related to the Dumping Protocol in March 2021 which recommended submission to MED POL FP meeting in October 2021 for their consideration.	"Guidelines Common methodologies and techniques for the assessment and monitoring of adverse impacts of dumping activities" and "Compendium of Best Environmental Practices for Implementation of the Dumping Protocol", to be presented in the MED POL FP Meeting in October 2021 and submitted as information documents to COP 22.

2.5.1.2. Dovolon training	CCD/DAC		- ToR preparation for the development of training activities on the	- ToR for the GE activity in Algeria validated (intregration of amodule	- ToR on Regional training on innovative business models to be
2.5.1.3. Develop training programmes around key SCP and	SCP/RAC		green entrepreneurship ecosystem in Algeria kicked off.		prepared.
circular economy themes.			government of the state of the	- Peer to peer capacity buidling activities organised back to back with the regional training on SUP.	- National activity in Algeria to be kicked off.
2.5.1.4. Increase as much as practical, the level of knowledge in the field of prevention of, preparedness for and response to marine pollution by oil and other harmful substances.	REMPEC		- MEDEXPOL 2020 organised.		
2.5.2 Pilot projects implemented	on marine lit	ter, POPs, mercury, and illicit discharges reduced, including thro	ough SCP solutions for alternatives to POPs and toxic chemical	s and the reduction of upstream sources of marine litter fo	or businesses, entrepreneurs, financial institutions and civil
and Adopt a Beach and other marine litter removal/reduction and prevention (SCP) pilot projects (particularly focused on	MED POL			scale projects to apply the provisions of the FAO guidelines regarding reduction of amounts of ALDFG and "Fishing-for-litter" guidelines prepared (ML MED II project)	implementation of the SSFAs in the framework of ML MED II Project Steering Committee for ML MED II Project to be held on 20 September.
plastics and microplastics).	SCP/RAC	- ToRs prepared for a pilot activity on take-back system for plastic bottles in Morocco, consultation with key stakeholders (ACR+, MoE, WES Partners)	 ToR validated for the pilot activity on take-back system for plastic bottles in Morocco. Dialogue undertaken for the preparation of ToR for the national Activity in Lebanon in relation with EPR schemes for food and beverage packaging. 	- National activity in Morocco kicked off Implementation national activities in Morocco, Lebanon and Egypt ongoing.	 ToR to be prepared for national activities in Egypt and Lebanon in relation with EPR schemes for food and beverage packaging. Implementation national activities in Morocco, Lebanon and Egypt ongoing.
2.5.2.2. Launch pilot projects on PCB and new POPs reduction and prevention and site decontamination based on updated NAP hotspots/ sensitive areas.	MED POL		 Further to holding inception meeting, agreement reached with countries on national partners. Work started in Phase 1 with Lebanon and Algeria. Preparations of SSFA with Algeria initiated. Work started on preqaualification terms for Contractors for PCB disposal. 	 Work continuted on Phase 1 of project with preparation of SSFA with Algeria and TOR for national consultants for Lebanon. Prequalification of contractors completed. Preparation of tender documents for contractors under preparation. SSFAs for phase 2 countries under preparation. SC Meeting held in March 2021. 	Contract to be signed for PCB removal with selected contractors. - Screening equipment for PCB to be procured or in progress of procurement for Phase II countries. - SSFAs with Phase II countries to be signed and implementation initiated.
	SCP/RAC	 Participation to the coordination meeting for child project 1.1 (Med Programme - London - 27-28 Feb 2019)) Detailed planning of activities in Tunisia, Morocco and Lebanon prepared, documentation for the signature of the PCA prepared. Development of POPs acounting methodology for new POPS prevention by EBRD followed up. 	-Participation in the MedProgramme Inception Meeting (20-22 July) and presentation of activities on New POPs prevention	- Laboratories identified for the new POPs sampling, preparation of agreements/contract(s) carried out.	 Meetings to be held to launch national activities and renew interest of beneficiaries, plan inventories, sampling activities and legal support actions. New POPs inventories and sampling (PFAs, HBCD and SCCP) to be developed in Lebanon, Morocco and Tunisia.
2.5.2.3.Launch pilot projects on mercury reduction and prevention and site decontamination based on updated NAP hotspots/ sensitive areas.	MED POL				Progress in coordinating with UNITAR for ratifying Minamata convention by Algeria Ongoing discussions with B&H for site contaminated by Mercury waste Coordination with Phase II countries for removal of mercury waste
urcus.	SCP/RAC	 Participation to the coordination meeting for child project 1.1 (Med Programme - London - 27-28 Feb 2019) Detailed planning of activities in Tunisia and Lebanon prepared. 	-Participation in the MedProgramme Inception Meeting (20-22 July) and presentation of activities on Mercury prevention.	- ToR for the recruitment of 3 national experts and 1 international expert prepared.	 Meetings to launch national activities and kick-off audit - inventories in Lebanon and Tunisia to be held. Audit-inventories in public hospitals of Tunisia and Lebanon to be carried out.
2.5.3: Marine pollution prevention	n and control	 measures and assessments integrated in ICZM Protocol impler	Implementation projects, CAMPs and related Strategic Environment	Impact Assessments.	

CAMPs to consider litter and pollution prevention and reduction measures (including offshore activities). Strategic Outcome 2.6 Enhanced 2.6.2 Networks and initiatives of		national counterpart and PAP/RAC to ensure MED POL's support to CAMP B&H t regional, sub- regional and national levels to prevent and contrepreneurs and civil society providing SCP solutions contribut - SCP/RAC Brainstorming session organised for the definition of the	- Visual identity of the award prepared and communication/dissemination strategy undertaken Award created (Legal procedure).	Work in progress for supporting implementation of IMAP for B&H through field survey/collection of monitoring data under CAMP B&H upstream sources of marine litter supported and coordinate - Awardjury members selected; online platform for applications and website developed; Award and stakehoders' mobilization launched Call for candidates opened (15june-15 july 2021)	Implementation of IMAP for B&H completed ted. - Evaluation of the candidatures and selection of the awardees to be completed. - Celebration of the award ceremony to be done and side event organised to increase visibility of the winners. - Long-term sustainability strategy to be prepared.
the generation of waste ending up as marine litter and the shift to safe alternatives to POPs and toxic chemicals.		- Legal process for the creation of the award carried out.			
Strategic Outcome 2.7 Identifying	and tackling	new and emerging issues, as appropriate.			
2.7.1 Reviews/policy briefs devel	oped and subi	mitted to Contracting Parties on emerging pollutants, ocean ac		rocesses.	
2.7.1.1. Review toxic chemicals of concern used for the plastic production.	SCP/RAC		 Publication launched and disseminated in coordination with MAP CU and communication taskforce. Master module proposal validated. 	- Agreement signed for the master module proposal (INPLASTICS project).	- INPLASTICS project launched.
2. Examine the possibility of designating the Mediterranean Sea as a whole as SOx Emission Control Area under MARPOL Annex VI and effectively implement the existing energy efficiency measures.	REMPEC	responsibilities, identifying challenges and opportunities, as well as agreeing on the process related to the drafting of required studies prepared in consultation with the Secretariat, IMO, Plan Bleu and MED POL. Joint Call for Expressions of Interest for consultancy services for the implementation of the road map launched by REMPEC, MED POL and Plan Bleu. Five ToR drafted and submitted to the SOx ECA(s) Technical Committee of Experts for its consideration, as follows: Synopsis of the assessment and draft submission to the IMO (ToRs 1); Quantification of the impacts associated with deposition of PM2.5 and air toxics (ToRs 2); Land-based emissions controls of SOx and PM in the Mediterranean coastal States (ToRs 3); Additional economic impact evaluation (ToRs 4); and Additional fuel supply and technology analyses (ToRs 5). Request for Proposals on the provision of consultancy services related to the implementation of the road map (covering ToRs 1, 2, 3 and 5) launched, in June 2020 through IMO. Following the evaluation of the unique proposal, which did not meet the selection criteria, the call was pronounced unfruitful on 30 June 2020. Contribution provided to the preparations by Plan Bleu of a Call for Proposals for the "Additional economic impact evaluation for the possible designation of the Mediterranean as a SOx Emission Control Area", which covered ToRs 4. Option paper prepared and contribution provided to the exchanges with the EC led by CU and Plan Bleu, to mobilise resources for national socio-economic studies to be possibly carried out in support of the road	- Revised draft report of the above-mentioned further study prepared; - Updated draft submission to the IMO prepared Contribution provided to the preparation by Plan Bleu of the further study related to the additional economic impact evaluation pursuant to the road map.	Decision IG.24/8,reviewed by the SOx ECA Technical Committee of Experts and REMPEC FPM. - Main technical elements of a draft submission to the IMO reviewed by the SOx ECA Technical Committee of Experts and REMPEC FPM.	Mediterranean Sea as a whole, as an Emission Control Area fo Sulphur Oxides pursuant to MARPOL Annex VI implemented.
	Plan Bleu	ToRs drafted and consulted upon by Technical Committee of Experts. Call for proposals launched. (see above)	Draft studies (see above on content) under consultation	Studies (see above on content) finalized. Results presented and disseminated.	
3. Review solutions to fight against plastic pollution.	SCP/RAC	- Final review and publication of the report on "Inspiring business practices and collaborative initiatives to prevent plastic packaging waste in the food and beverage industry and ultimately combat marine plastic pollution" carried out. - Dissemination strategy developed and implemented.	- Findings of the report among CPs and other relevant stakeholders disseminated and webinar organised.		

THEME 3 BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEMS					
PoW Activities			Achievements/Deliveables/ N	Milestones	
	Component	January-June 2020	July - December 2020	January-June 2021	July - December 2021
Strategic Outcome 3.1. Strengthening region	onal impleme	ntation of the obligations under the Barcelona Convention, and its re	elevant Protocols and other instruments.		
3.1.1. A comprehensive coherent network	of well mana	ged MPAs, including SPAMIs, to achieve Aichi Target 11 in the Medito	erranean set up and implemented.		
3.1.1.1. Develop and strengthen effective SPAMI/MPA management.		Process for the setting up of the Ad hoc Group of Experts for MPAs in the Mediterranean (AGEM) launched in a consultative and transparent way, invloving SPA/BD Focal Points at all its steps (proposal of experts CVs, voting on the final composition, etc.).	- A multidisciplinary, geographically representative and gender-balanced AGEM set up and and having its first meeting (online, 8 December 2020). - First AGEM meeting held agreeing on the 2021 programme of work of the group.	 - AGEM operational and its second meeting held on 3-4 May 2021; AGEM Chair and Vice-Chair reported to the 15th Meeting of SPA/BD Focal Points. - Scientific and technical advice delivered by AGEM. - Discussions initiated with a number of SPAMI managers to launch new SPAMI Twinning Programmes through external funds (MAVA-funded NTZ-MPA project (ongoing), EU-funded ENSERES project (to be started in October 2021)). 	 - Ad hoc Group of experts on MPAs (AGEM) operational and its 2022-2023 programme of work to be prepared. - Scientific and technical advice to delivered by AGEM. - Twinning programmes to be implemented among partner SPAMIs.
3.1.1.2. Organize the 2020 Forum of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean.	SPA/RAC	 Process for the organisation of the 2020 Forum of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean launched. The 2020 Status Report on Mediterranean MPAs under elaboration. 	 - Process for the organisation of the 2020 Forum of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean ongoing. - Online Working Groups organised. - Process related to the preparation of the 2020 Status Report on Mediterranean MPAs ongoing (data collection part of the updating of the MAPAMED database). 	 Process for the organisation of the 2020 Forum of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean and for the preparation of the post-2020 MPA Roadmap are ongoing; Virtual Forum Sessions organised from 2 to 4 June 2021 by videoconference. MAPAMED database updated and analyzed, along with other data sources, to produce the 2020 Status Report on Mediterranean MPAs. 	- 2020 Forum of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean to be organised in late 2021/early2022 (to be confirmed) 2020 Status Report on Mediterranean MPAs to be relaesed during the forum; - Declaration of the 2020 MPA Forum to be developed; - Proceedings of the 2020 MPA Forum online after the organisation of the 3rd edition of the MPA Forum.
3.1.1.3. Draft the SPAMI Day and SPAMI Award (Mediterranean Diploma) concepts and criteria.	SPA/RAC		Terms of reference prepared for the hiring of a consultant.	The SPAMI Day and SPAMI Certificate Concepts elaborated, endorsed by the 15th Meeting of SPA/BD Focal Points and ready for submission to the Meeting of MAP Focal Points.	SPAMI Day and SPAMI Certificate Concepts submitted to the Meeting of MAP Focal Points and COP 22 for review and adoption.
3.1.2. Most relevant area-based managem	ent measures	are identified and implemented in cooperation with relevant global	and regional organizations, through global and regional tools (SPAMIs,	FRAs, PSSAs, etc.), including for the conservation of ABNJ, taking into	consideration the information on Mediterranean
8.1.2.1. Support deep sea and deep leabed vulnerable marine ecosystems dentification and conservation in areas within and beyond national jurisdiction, in collaboration with respective countries and relevant bodies and promote their conservation through appropriate tools and measures, including spatial ones.	SPA/RAC	- Exchanges with relevant bodies and institutions done to agree common work for the compilation of relevant information. - CBD marine and coastal and islands programme manager was contacted in April 2020 to exchange on envisaging work for conservation of deep sea Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems through collaboration between RSOs and RFMOs. - According to exchanges, GFCM approached by SPA/RAC to discuss common involvement for a guiding document on deep seas spatial conservation issues in EBSAs and proposing collaboration by the CBD on that. A first working teleconference focused on spatial management held in June.	Exchanges with relevant bodies and institutions done to agree common work for the compilation of relevant information. Retrieval of relevant information from those bodies ensured.	 - A number of deep sea and deep seabed vulnerable marine ecosystems identified in areas within and beyond national jurisdiction. - ToRs for an expert work defined for the preparation of a guiding document on topics and priority areas for deep sea conservation in the Mediterranean. - Supporting documents prepared, in collaboration with concerned CPs, GFCM and other relevant bodies. 	Deep sea and deep seabed vulnerable marine ecosystems conservation supported through appropriate tools and measures including Other Effective area-based Conservation Measures (OECMs), and precautionary ones comprised, notably spatial ones, and promoted in official institutional events (FAO, GFCM and CBD meetings and workshops, etc.).
3.1.2.2. Identify Particular Sensitive Sea Areas (PSSAs)	REMPEC	Liaison with SPA/RAC ensured with a view to submitting the draft Guidanc Document with regard to identifying and designating Particularly Sensitive Se Areas (PSSAs) in relation to Specially Protected Areas of Mediterranea Importance (SPAMIs) to the Contracting Parties for comments prior to it submission to the Meeting of the Focal Points of REMPEC.	Mediterranean Importance (SPAMIs) submitted to the Contracting Parties for	Draft Guidance Document with regard to identifying and designating Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas (PSSAs) in relation to Specially Protected Areas of Mediterranean Importance (SPAMIs) reviewed and agreed upon by the Meetings of the Focal Points of REMPEC and SPA/RAC.	
			lines for the conservation of Coastal and Marine biodiversity and ecosy		
3.2.1. Regional Action Plans for the conse	rvation of Me	diterranean endangered and threatened species and key habitats, or	species introductions as well as the Mediterranean Strategy and Actio		
3.2.1.1. Elaborate a post-2020 strategic document on MPAs and other effective area-based conservation measures in the Mediterranean, in line with the CBD post-2020 global biodiversity framework.	SPA/RAC		Terms of reference prepared and a call for consultancy launched in December 2020 for the preparation a post-2020 regional strategy for marine and coastal protected areas (MCPAs) and other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs) in the Mediterranean.		Post-2020 regional strategy for MCPAs and OECMs in the Mediterranean submitted to the Meeting of MAP Focal Points and COP 22 for review and adoption.

3.2.1.2. Implement/ update the regional action plans/strategy for the conservation of Mediterranean endangered and threatened species, key Habitats and species introductions as well as the Mediterranean Strategy and Action Plan on Ships' Ballast Water Management to mainstream GES.	SPA/RAC	- The assessment of the action plan concerning dark habitats launched (TDR prepared and consultant hiring). - First elements for the elaboration of the list of Reference of Pelagic Habitat Types in the Mediterranean Sea launched (TDR prepared). - The joint programme between SPA/RAC and ACCOBAMS Secretariat prepared based on the update of the Action Plan on the Conservation of Cetaceans (2016-2020).	 Draft updated Action plan concerning dark habitats released and to be translated to french to be send to CPs for feedback, Restricted consultation for identification of the First elements for the elaboration of the list of Reference of Pelagic Habitat Types in the Mediterranean Sea launched. Data on the distribution of vulnerable megafauna (marine mammals, birds, elasmobranches and marine turtles) collected and integrated into the Mediterranean Biodiversity Plateform (MAVA species Project). Within the Assesment and the update of the action plan for the conservation of ceteacans in the Mediterranean the following tasks has been finalised: A desk review of relevant existing documents and material in relation with the 	 First elements for the elaboration of the list of Reference of Pelagic Habitat Types in the Mediterranean Sea reviewed and endorsed by the SPA/BD FP meeting; Distribution of marine key habitats (marine vegetation, coralligenous and marine caves) to be elaborated (TDR prepared, contact of CPs and relevant organisation) Monk seal project approved by the Monk seal Alliance Assistance provided to CPs in implementing the regional action plans/strategy for the conservation of Mediterranean endangerd and threatned species. 	 - Updated action plans concerning cetaceans and dark habitats to be submitted for review by the MAP FPs meeting and adoption of the COP 22. - First elements for the elaboration of the list of Reference of Pelagic Habitat Types in the Mediterranean Sea to be submitted for review by the MAP FP meeting. - First regional Distribution maps of marine key habitats (marine vegetation, coralligenous and marine caves) to be elaborated and disseminated through MBP. - Assistance to CPs ongoing in implementing the regional action plans/strategy for the conservation of Mediterranean endangerd and threatned species.
3.2.1.3. Support the implementation of the Mediterranean Strategy on Ships' Ballast Water Management and Action Plan and provide assistance to control and manage ships' biofouling to minimise the transfer of invasive aquatic species. 3.2.2. Guidelines and other tools for the control and the control a		Regional Workshop on the BWM Convention (Valletta, Malta, 2-4 June 2020), to address inter alia exemption under the BWM Convention and the updating of the Mediterranean Strategy on Ships' Ballast Water Management and Action Plan. - HELCOM, the ODYSSEA Project and SPA/RAC invited to share information or data and projects related to the granting of exemption under the BWM Convention, target species in the Mediterranean Sea and its relationship with the said Convention, originally at the Regional Workshop on the BWM Convention The event was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic and decided to be replaced by a webinar in September 2020 with interventions from IMO, HELCOM, the ODYSSEA Project and SPA/RAC, to raise awareness on the BWM Convention and invasive species and its application in the Mediterranean Sea, and to address in particular the exemptions under the BWM Convention and the updating of the Mediterranean Strategy on Ships' Ballast Water Management and Action Plan. - Drafting of the ToR for the updating of the Mediterranean Strategy on Ships Ballast Water Management and Action Plan initiated, and list of potentia consultants received from IMO. - Technical support provided to the IMO for the organisation of the IMO's ITCF funded National Workshop on the AFS Convention for Albania originally planned for 1-2 July 2020, which was postponed to a later date (tbc) due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	- 1 st Draft of the updated Mediterranean Strategy on Ships' Ballast Water Management and Action Plan submitted for consultation prior to the Post-2021 Strategy online session Technical support provided to the IMO for the organisation of the IMO's ITCP funded National Workshop on the AFS Convention for Albania to be held possibly in Q1 2021 (date to be agreed upon between IMO and the Administration of Albania).	REMPEC and SPA/BD Focal Points Meetings.	consideration and approval to MAP FP Meeting and COP22.
3.2.2.1. Elaborate guidelines and technical tools for improving MPA management and		- "Interpretation Manual" of the new reference list of marine benthic habitats types in the Mediterranean elaboration launched (TDR preparation, hiring Consultants, contact CPs and Relevant organisation). - The post-2020 Mediterranean Strategy to reduce the incidental catches of vulnerable species postponed to be implemented in MedBycatch project phase 2. - GFCM "manual on standardized monitoring data collection on incidental catch of vulnerable species in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea" elaborated with SPA/RAC contribution for alignment with the vulnerable species and habitat regional Action Plans implementation needs; The manual was used by SPA/RAC in phase 1 of the MedBycatch project to implement a national onboard/at port Bycatch data collection programme in Tunisia (March 2019-June2020). - The GFCM online Mediterranean database portal on bycatch data collection with SPA/RAC contribution for alignment with the vulnerable species and habitat Regional Action Plans implementation needs, under finalization by GFCM to be ready to upload bycatch data from Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey (MedBycatch project phase 1). - Guidelines on monk seal, marine turtles, cartilaginous fishes and marine vegetation under elaboration (based on the results of the updating of relevant Regional Action Plans and Strategy). - Gap Analysis on the status of marine megafauna species (marine mammals, sea birds, sea turtles and coralligenous) launched.	- "Interpretation Manual" of the new reference list of marine benthic habitats types in the Mediterranean elaboration started. - Guidelines on monk seal, marine turtles, cartilaginous fishes and marine vegetation elaboration started; - Gap analysis on the status of highly mobile species impacted by Fisheries in selected sensitive areas of Mediterreanean published (MAVA species project). - The post-2020 Mediterranean Strategy to reduce the incidental catches of vulnerable species postponed to be implemented in MedBycatch project phase 2 and will be part of the post 2020 GFCM Mediterranean and Black Sea Fishery and aquaculture strategy. Harmonization and interconnection with the Post-2020 SAP BIO ensured. SPA/RAC is also involved in the ongoing amendment of the Tunisian fishery laws. Inclusion of the vulnerable species of the Annex II of the SPA/BD Protocol as well as some bycatch mitigation measures proposed by SPA/RAC and included in the draft amendments. Additional meetings to discuss the proposed amendments planned in 2021. - The GFCM "manual on standardized monitoring data collection on incidental catch of vulnerable species in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea" used by SPA/RAC in phase 2 of the MedBycatch project within the new national onboard/at port Bycatch data collection programme in Tunisia (November 2020-October 2021). - The GFCM online Mediterranean database portal on bycatch data collection, elaborated by GFCM with SPA/RAC and the MedBycatch Project partners contribution, presented in July 2020. The finalization of the database by GFCM is planned for the beginning of 2021 within the framework of the second phase of the MedBycatch project funded by MAVA. the SPA/RAC contributed to the Data base	- MPA management effectiveness tool for the Mediterranean region under development. - "Interpretation Manual" of the new reference list of marine benthic habitats types in the Mediterranean reviewed by SPA/BD Focal Points. - The Regional goals, objectives, targets and actions to reduce the incidental catches of vulnerable species included within the draft Post-2020 SAPBIO presented to the 15th SPA/BD FP Meeting (23-25 June 2021) and within the GFCM 2030 Strategy for sustainable fisheries and aquaculture in the Mediterranean which will be proposed for adoption by the 22 Parties to the GFCM plus the European Union on 9 July 2021. SPA/RAC is involved in the ongoing amendment of the Tunisian fisheries laws. Inclusion of the vulnerable species of Annex II to the SPA/BD Protocol as well as some bycatch mitigation measures proposed by SPA/RAC and included in the amendments. Additional meetings to discuss the proposed amendments planned. - The GFCM "Manual on standardized monitoring data collection on incidental catch of vulnerable species in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea" elaborated with the SPA/RAC contribution for alignment with the vulnerable species and habitats regional Action Plans implementation needs presented as an information document to the 15th SPA/BD Focal Points Meeting (23-25 June 2021)	- MPA management effectiveness tool for the Mediterranean region to be developed and made available to the MPA managers and planners. - "Interpretation Manual" of the new reference list of marine benthic habitats types in the Mediterranean to be submitted for review by the MAP FP meeting; - National onboard/at port Bycatch data collection programme in Tunisia to be achieved using the GFCM "manual on standardized monitoring data collection on incidental catch of vulnerable species in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea". A bycatch data anlaysis report for Tunisia to be started in view of being published in Q2 2022. - The GFCM 2030 Mediterranean and Black Sea Fishery and aquaculture strategy including post 2020 bycatch mitigation measures to be proposed for adoption by the GFCM with SPA/RAC contribution.
		entation of biodiversity conservation policies, strategies and legislation langered and threatened species and key habitats and on species intro			
5.5.1. IVAES TOT THE CONSERVATION OF IVIEGIT	ananean end	New NAPs for the conservation of Mediterranean threatened and endangered	- New NAPs for the conservation of Mediterranean threatened and endangered	- New NAPs for the conservation of Mediterranean threatened and endangered	- NAP on NIS for Israel, NAP on coralligenous for Lebanon,
3.3.1.1. Support countries to update/develop new SAP BIO NAPs on biodiversity including for the conservation of Mediterranean threatened and	SPA/RAC	species and key habitats: Elaboration of NAP on NIS for Israel, with SPA/RAC assistance, started (Contact with the concerned CP, TDR preparation and hiring of the Consultant).	species and key habitats elaborated: NAP on coralligenous for Lebanon with SPA/RAC assistance, started (Contact with the concerned CPs, TDR preparation and hiring of the Consultants). - NAP for the conservation of marine turtles elaborated for Spain and updated for	species and key habitats: NAP on NIS for Malta / Elaboration of the NAP on	NAP on coralligenous for Montenegro and NAP on NIS for Malta to be elaborated and adopted at national level. NAP on cartilaginous fishes in Egypt to be elaborated.

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3.3.1.2. Support the Contracting Parties and partners in producing and publishing relevant scientific documentation contributing to update knowledge and enhance conservation actions taken towards the conservation of species listed in Annex II to the SPA/BD Protocol.	SPA/RAC	 Scientific documents related to incidental catches of vulnerable species elaborated (bycatch phase 1). Multitaxa observation programme to collect data on incidental catch of vulnerable species in Tunisia implementation supported (Medbycatch phase 1) and Data analysis report elaboration started. Gap Analysis on the presence, distribution and abundance of highly mobile species (marine mammals, seabirds, sea turtles and elasmobranchs) in the Mediterranean priority areas edited and published. 	 Multitaxa observation programme to collect data on incidental catch of vulnerable species in Tunisia implementation started in November 2020 (Medbycatch project phase 2). Report on Monk seal and cetaceans monitoring programme (The Inner Ionian Sea Archipelago and the Gulf of Ambracia), including information about the population estimates and knowledge of the animals' distribution, movements, and habitat-use, photo-identification, awareness actions within the tourism and fisheries sectors finalised by Tethys Research Institue. 	 Bycatch Data analysis report for Tunisia (Data from MedBycatch phase 1) published. Multitaxa observation programme to collect data on incidental catch of vulnerable species in Tunisia implementation supported (Medbycatch project phase 2). Reports on the presence, distribution and abundance of highly mobile species (marine mammals, seabirds, sea turtles and elasmobranchs) in the Mediterranean priority areas provided within the implmentation of the MAVA Species projects/New book entitled: Marine Turtle Research and Conservation in Libya: A contribution to safeguarding Mediterranean Biodiversity published (MAVA Marine turtles Project). 	 Bycatch Data analysis report for Tunisia (Data from MedBycatch phase 2) started. Multitaxa observation programme to collect data on incidental catch of vulnerable species in Tunisia implementation supported (Medbycatch project phase 2).
3.3.2. National measures developed and i	mplemented	to strengthen the protection and the management of relevant marine	and coastal sites, especially those containing threatened habitats and s	species (including deep-sea habitats).	
3.3.2.1. Provide support at country level through elaboration of focused studies and surveys including management plans for the declaration, establishment, and extension of MPAs.	SPA/RAC	- Planning and workplan agreed with national authorities on the management plan elaboration process at pilot future MPAs in Algeria, Lebanon and Libya ToRs prepared to hire consultant(s) and initiation of the management plan elaboration process at country level in pilot future MPAs in Algeria, Lebanon and Libya.	- Ecological and socio-economic diagnosis studies completed for Tyre Coast Nature Reserve in Lebanon; Ecological study completed while the socioeconomic study is under review for Rachgoun island future MPA in Algeria; Field ecological and socioeconomic diagnosis studies completed and studies reports under review for the Gulf	management plans elaboration phase postponed to the second half of the year in agreement with the concerned countries. - An ecological/socio-economic diagnosis study to support a Mediterranean country in declaring a new MPA completed in Algeria, Lebanon and Libya.	- Consultation and presentation workshops on the draft management plans to be organised with relevant national stakeholders Final management plans documents to be endorsed by national authorities and stakeholders Consultation and presentation workshops on the draft management plans to be organised with relevant national stakeholders in Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey (Project MAVA NTZ/MPA) Final management plans documents to be endorsed by national authorities and stakeholders in Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey (Project MAVA NTZ/MPA).
3.3.3. Biodiversity and ecosystem protect	on actions in	egrated in CAMPs, other ICZM Protocol implementation projects and	Strategic Environment Impact Assessments.		1
3.3.3.1. Undertake the implementation of the marine and coastal biodiversity component within CAMP programmes.	SPA/RAC	To be planned with the inception of Bosnia & Herzegovina CAMP	To be planned with the inception of Bosnia & Herzegovina CAMP	To be planned with the inception of Bosnia & Herzegovina CAMP	To be planned with the inception of Bosnia & Herzegovina CAMP
Strategic Outcome 3.4. Monitoring, inven	tory and asse	ssment of biodiversity with focus on endangered and threatened spec	ies, nonindigenous species and key habitats.		
3.4.1. Monitoring programmes for key spe	ecies and hab	tats as well as invasive species, as provided for in the IMAP are develo	oped and implemented, including on the effectiveness of marine and co	pastal protected areas, and on climate change impacts.	
	T	- Documents of the parallel CORMON session on Biodiversity and Fisheries	- Parallel CORMON session on biodiversity and fisheries organised.	- 6th CORMON meeting on biodiversity and fisheries organised;	- Documents on assessment criteria, baseline and
3.4.1.1. Support the development and implementation of National/Sub-regional Monitoring Programme(s) in line with biodiversity cluster of IMAP.	SPA/RAC	elaborated and shared with designated experts. - National Monitoring Programmes carried out within the implementation of the National Action Plans for the conservation of marine vegetation in Egypt considering the IMAP, the indicator fact sheets and the monitoring protocols launched (Contact with the concerned CP, TDR preparation and hiring of the national and international Consultants). - Elaboration of toward GES assement report for Albania and Montenegro started within the framework of the GEF Adriatic Project. The inception report of the the IMAP field survey related to Patok Rodoni bay in Albania elaborated. The IMAP field survey itself planned to start in March 2020 was temporarily suspended due to COVID-19 restrictions.	implemented in October 2020 and included an on-the-job training on monitoring methodologies. A draft report submitted in December 2020 and Its revision is ongoing. - Toward GES assessment reports related to biodiversity elaborated for Albania and Montenegro by SPA/RAC in coordination with PAP/RAC and CU. - The 3rd Project Steering committee meeting of the GEF Adriatic Project organised online on the 7th of July 2020. Revised budget, workplan and no cost project extension from December 2020 to June 2021 due to the COVID-19 situation approved.	clusters finalized; IMAP fields survey report of Patok Rodony bay validated and published; Closure meeting organised on the 28th of June 2021 in Montenegro. Several trainings on IMAP Info system and GES organised. Project outcomes presented in both SPA/RAC FP meeting and PAP/RAC FP meeting. 1st International Conference on Water Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development WEPSD-2021 organized in Tirana from 17 to 18 May 2021 with support from the project. - An information document was elaborated on Opportunities for supporting the Integrated Monitoring and Assessment Programme (IMAP) through integrated marine observing systems, capacity building and information services (within ODYSSEA project).	thresholds on Biodiversity indicators to be submitted to the 8th EcAp Coordination Group Meeting. - National Monitoring Programmes within the implementation of the National Action Plans for the conservation of marine vegetation in Egypt considering the IMAP, the indicator fact sheets and the monitoring protocols to be implemented (continous)(Field Mission).
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implementation of National/Sub-regional Monitoring Programme(s) in line with biodiversity cluster of IMAP. 3.4.1.2. Run the ordinary periodic review of SPAMIs.	SPA/RAC	elaborated and shared with designated experts. - National Monitoring Programmes carried out within the implementation of the National Action Plans for the conservation of marine vegetation in Egypt considering the IMAP, the indicator fact sheets and the monitoring protocols launched (Contact with the concerned CP, TDR preparation and hiring of the national and international Consultants). - Elaboration of toward GES assement report for Albania and Montenegro started within the framework of the GEF Adriatic Project. The inception report of the the IMAP field survey related to Patok Rodoni bay in Albnaia elaborated. The IMAP field survey itself planned to start in March 2020 was temporarily suspended due to COVID-19 restrictions.	March 2020 and temporarily suspended due to COVID-19 force majeure, was implemented in October 2020 and included an on-the-job training on monitoring methodologies. A draft report submitted in December 2020 and Its revision is ongoing. - Toward GES assessment reports related to biodiversity elaborated for Albania and Montenegro by SPA/RAC in coordination with PAP/RAC and CU. - The 3rd Project Steering committee meeting of the GEF Adriatic Project organised online on the 7th of July 2020. Revised budget, workplan and no cost project extension from December 2020 to June 2021 due to the COVID-19 situation approved. MAPAMED database contents submitted for validation by SPA/BD Focal Points.	the National Action Plans for the conservation of marine vegetation in Egypt considering the IMAP, the indicator fact sheets and the monitoring protocols under implemention; - The National IMAP for Albania and Montenegro finalized (within GEF Adriatic Project); The toward GES report for Albania and Montenegro including all IMAP clusters finalized; IMAP fields survey report of Patok Rodony bay validated and published; Closure meeting organised on the 28th of June 2021 in Montenegro. Several trainings on IMAP Info system and GES organised. Project outcomes presented in both SPA/RAC FP meeting and PAP/RAC FP meeting. 1st International Conference on Water Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development WEPSD-2021 organized in Tirana from 17 to 18 May 2021 with support from the project. - An information document was elaborated on Opportunities for supporting the Integrated Monitoring and Assessment Programme (IMAP) through integrated marine observing systems, capacity building and information services (within ODYSSFA project). MAPAMED database updated and launched in April 2021. The MAPAMED data currently being analyzed and used, along with other data sources, to produce the 2020 Status Report on Mediterranean MPAs.	- National Monitoring Programmes within the implementation of the National Action Plans for the conservation of marine vegetation in Egypt considering the IMAP, the indicator fact sheets and the monitoring protocols to be implemented (continous)(Field Mission). - 2020 Status Report on Mediterranean MPAs to be relaesed in October 2021 and disseminated during the Mediterranean MPA Forum and COP 22. - State of play of MPA and other area-based conservation measures in the Mediterranean to be reflected in COP 22 relevant Decisions.

3.4.3.1. Cooperate at sub-regional level to test joint monitoring activities in (a) selected area(s), thus supporting countries to implement joint monitoring programmes in line with the IMAP recommendations in MPAs/SPAMIs.		Roadmap for the implementation of a sub-regional IMAP elaborated (IMAP-MPA project).	ToRs for the implementation of the IMAP elaborated (IMAP-MPA project).	IMAP in the selected areas/sites in progress (ongoing).	IMAP in the selected areas/sites in progress (ongoing).
3.4.4. Inventory of vulnerable and fragile of	coastal and m	arine ecosystems and assessment of sensitivity and adaptive capacition	es of coastal and marine ecosystems to changes in sea conditions as we	ell as of the role of services they provide developed.	
3.4.4.1. Support CPs to develop distribution and sensitivity maps of the main marine habitats.	SPA/RAC	Distribution and sensitivity maps of the main marine habitats elaborated in Malta, Tunisia and Turkey.	Distribution and sensitivity maps of the main marine habitats elaborated for CPs available online on the Biodiversity Plateform .	Distribution and sensitivity maps of the main marine habitats elaborated in Tunisia.	
Strategic Outcome 3.5. Technical assistance	ce and capacit	ty building at regional, sub-regional and national levels to strengthen	policy implementation and compliance with biodiversity -related nation	nal legislation.	
		relopment and management of marine and coastal protected areas, to rt efforts aimed at MPA/SPAMI establishment and implementation.	o the conservation and monitoring of endangered and threatened coast	al and marine species and key habitats, and to monitoring issues dea	lling with climate change and biodiversity
3.5.1.1. Organize specific training courses, workshops, symposia related to the conservation and monitoring of threatened and endangered Mediterranean marine species, key habitats and non-indigenous species.	SPA/RAC	Workshop on important areas for marine turtles (MAVA Marine turtle project) postponed due to COVID 19 outbreak.	- Cetaceans biannual Conference for south Mediterranean countries postponed to April 2021. - Online Training Session to Better Manage Underwater Noise Pollution in the Mediterranean Region organised on 9 of December 2020 in close collaboration with ACCOBAMS (EU funded project QUIETMED2).	- Regional training session on the identification of marine key habitats (Common Indicator CI-1, EO1 & CI-2,EO1of IMAP) and the use of SDF web application (preparation) launched (draft programme prepared, TDR of trainers elaborated, invitation sent to CPs) - Regional training session on the use of the Mediterranean Platform for biodiversity (preparation) launched (draft programme prepared, TDR of trainers elaborated, invitation sent to CPs); - Due to Covid 19, the MTSG Sea Turtle "Burning Issues" Workshop (BI-7) planned within the MAVA funded Marine turtles project changed from an onsite conference to a "Virtual Online Consultation Process" launched. - Cetaceans biannual Conference for south Mediterranean countries, as online edition organised in April 2021. - Online training (3-5 May 2021) implemented with project partners support (within MedBycatch project phase 2) for Tunisian Fisheries and Environmental stakeholders and particularly Bycatch observers and Fishing guards related to the FAO/GFCM Mediterranean Bycatch data collection protocol, identification of vulnerable species (Sharks, rays, Cetaceans, Seabirds and Sea turtles) as well as fishing gears and bycatch mitigations measures).	
3.5.1.2. Organize training of practitioners to follow IMAP implementation and observatories of the Mediterranean related to biodiversity and human activities and related impacts in marine and coastal areas.	SPA/RAC	Meetings to identify specific needs with concerned countries organised.	Country specific training on biodiversity and NIS organised.	Country specific training on biodiversity and NIS organised.	Country specific training on biodiversity and NIS organised.
3.5.1.3. Strengthen and enhance capacity building activities on the conservation of Mediterranean marine biodiversity.	SPA/RAC		Gaps and needs at sub-reguional level identified.	Sub-regional joint trainings organisation started.	Sub-regional joint trainings organisation finalized.
3.5.1.4. Develop and implement training and capacity building programmes on MPA planning and management, including socio-economic aspects, as well as on fundraising and innovative funding for MPAs.	SPA/RAC		A concept note for the development of a regional training programme (training packages elaboration and training courses delivery) on i) Effective MPA management, fundraising and innovative funding for MPAs, and ii) Sustainable socio economic role of MPAs, drafted.	- Consultants hired and training packages on Effective MPA management, fundraising and innovative funding for MPAs under development.	- Consultants to be hired and training packages on Sustainable socio-economic role of MPAs to be developped Regional training workshops on i) Effective MPA management, fundraising and innovative funding for MPAs, and ii) Sustainable socio-economic role of MPAs, to be oragnized.
3.5.1.5. Develop capacity building programmes and training material in the frame of the implementation of 9 Mediterranean marine observatories' strategy and joint technical action among 28 European and Mediterranean partners.	SPA/RAC	 Training workshop prepared on assessment of sea-level rise using satellite data and impact on erosion in EGYPT in the frame of ODYSSEA project (EU-funded) TBC by the beneficiary (RAED). Training workshop prepared on technical tools for oceanographic data processing and management for the needs of Al HOUCEIMA coastal observatory (Marocco) in the frame of ODYSSEA project by the beneficiary (AGIR). Preparation of the Summer School programme, identification of Trainers and selection of Trainees ongoing. 	- Summer School on "Spatial Oceanography", initially to be held in Sousse-Monastir (Tunisia) on September 2020 (planned from 20 to 30 September) with the participation of 25 trainees from the Mediterranean Countries was not possible due to COVID-19 and changed into Virtual training on Oceanography from the Space for advanced university level and observatories' managing officers. - Performance of the training held on 23-27 November 2020 to a hundred trainees attending from five continents and including most Mediteranean countries, with 80 of the participants achieving full attendance certificate.	(RAED) with SPA/RAC collaboration. - Content elaboration and planification done for the next Egyptian End-Users workshop on platform validation and training on hydrodynamic and water	- Egyptian End-Users workshop on platform validation and training on hydrodynamic and water quality modelling within the ODYSSEA Project to be held. - Workshop "Towards the digitalization of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean: opportunities, gaps and challenges to overcome"to be held. - Reports of local workshops for capacity building to be elaborated (Nov 2021). - Protocols of Demonstration to be elaborated (Nov. 2021).
3.5.2. Training and awareness-raising prog	rammes on S	CP solutions contributing to the conservation of the ecosystems and b	oiodiversity delivered to businesses, entrepreneurs, financial institution	ns and civil society.	
3.5.2.1. Support the implementation of SCP solutions in MPAs, with a particular focus on the issue of Marine Litter.	SCP/RAC	 Call for candidate MPAs for the implementation of SCP solutions issued Selection of the 3 Pilot MPAs (from EU countries - among ACT4LITTER associated partners) done. Detailed ToR for the implementation of the demo projects prepared. Research of additional funding to implement ML measures in SPAMIs of the Southern Med undertaken. 	- Implementation of the selected ML measures in the candidate MPAs (Cabo de Gata (ESP), Delta de Ebre (ESP), Miramare (IT)) started.	- Implementation of the selected ML measures in the candidate MPAs (Cabo de Gata (ESP), Delta de Ebre (ESP), Miramare (IT)) ongoing.	- Implementation of the selected ML measures in the candidate MPAs (Cabo de Gata (ESP), Delta de Ebre (ESP), Miramare (IT)) ongoing Transfer and capitalisation of the ML demos done.

Strategic Outcome 3.6. Enhanced cooperation at regional, sub- regional and national levels to protect and conserve biodiversity and ecosystems.								
3.6.1. Joint strategies and programmes on biodiversity and ecosystem conservation developed, by taking into account NAPs in cooperation with relevant partner organizations at global and regional levels.								
3.6.1.1. Promote Joint Cooperation on spatial-based protection and management measures for marine biodiversity.	programmed activities 2020-2021 and commonalities with UNEP/MAP, including GFCM spatial management work and CBD plans on EBSAs. - A first working teleconference held in June 2020.	- Coordination supported, notably with GFCM and other relevant bodies and Parties' advise on feasible synergies regarding tools and measures for spatial conservation of the Mediterranean biodiversity and natural resources management - Exchange held on no-paper document on feasible cooperations sites and measures for spatial management as base for online meeting discussion on it among SPA/RAC, GFCM, IUCN and ACCOBAMS.	Coordination on feasible synergies regarding tools and measures for spatial conservation advanced through two online meeting discussion on two possible nt. areas for spatial conservation under different scenaria among SPA/RAC, GFCM, IUCN and ACCOBAMS done on February 2nd, 2021 and June 17th, 2021.	Coordination to be continuously supported, notably with GFCM and other relevant bodies and Parties' advise on feasible synergies regarding tools and measures for spatial conservation of the Mediterranean biodiversity and natural resources management.				

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THEME 4 LAND AND SEA INTERACTION AND PROCESSES

PoW Activities	Compone	Achievements/Deliverables/ Milestones			
PoW Activities	nt	January-June 2020	July - December 2020	January-June 2021	July - December 2021
rategic Outcome 4.1 Strengthening reg	ional imple	mentation of the obligations under the	Barcelona Convention and its Protocols, and of prog	rammes of measures in existing Regional Strat	egies and Action Plans.
1.1. Contracting Parties assisted in ider	ntifying, im	plementing and evaluating specific mea	sures and tools to reduce pressures on coastal and n	narine areas (e.g. coastal setback, land policy n	neasures, zoning).
1.1.1. Support the socio-economic valuation of measures in Regional crategies and Action Plans.	Plan Bleu	 Meeting of MEDREGION attended. Participation in EU Working Group POMESA meeting. 	 - Assessment of regional measures to foster achievement of GES to inspire future guidelines ongoing. - Participation in EU WG POMESA meeting ensured. - UNEP/MAP become co-chair of the WG through Plan Bleu representation. - Project proposal for further work on measures' assessment drafted and accepted (ABIOMMED) 	- Guidelines drafted and under consultation MEDREGION deliverables finalized.	 Regional measures to be assessed and guideli revised based on lessons learned. Closing meeting and reporting of MEDREGION project to be attended. Kick-off meeting of ABIOMMED project to be attended.
rategic Outcome 4.2 Development of n	ew action	plans, programmes and measures, comm	non standards and criteria, guidelines.		
2.2. Marine Spatial Planning defined in	the contex	t of the Barcelona Convention and appl	ied, as appropriate.		
2.2.1. Support region-wide coherent oplication of MSP, including its links ith ICZM and transboundary issues, and implementation of MSP pilot rojects.	PAP/RAC	 Drafting of the Diagnostic Report in relation with the marine spatial plan for the waters under Montenegro jurisdiction on-going. Drafting of a toolbox for the analytical phase of MSP launched. 	 Drafting of the marine spatial plan for the waters under Montenegro jurisdiction on-going. Drafting of a toolbox for the analytical phase of MSP ongoing, with several working meetings organised on-line. 	 Marine spatial plan for the waters under Montenegro jurisdiction finalised and presented at the final project conference held in Hercegnovi, Montenegro, on 28 June 2021. Toolbox for the analytical phase of MSP drafted and presented to PAP FPs meeting for consideration. Preparatory activities for a regional workshop on MSP launched. 	- Toolbox for the analytical phase of MSP to be finalized (possibly with adjustments pending the approval of the budget revision) and uploaded the ICZM platform, and guidance for its use to be provided. - Regional workshop on MSP to be prepared an organized online in October.
rategic Outcome 4.3 Strengthening nat	ional imple	ementation.			
3.1. New generation of CAMPs prepare	d to promo	ote land-sea interactions, also addressin	g trans-boundary aspects, as appropriate.		
3.1.1. Implement CAMP projects in a		- CAMP BH agreement signed Feasibility study for CAMP Cyprus-Greece finalised and negotiations of the relevant agreement launched.	 Kick-off meeting of the CAMP BH held online in October and CAMP activities launched. CAMP Otranto (Albania-Italy) agreement drafted and consultations started with national authorities. 	 CAMP BH activities on-going. CAMP Otranto agreement signed, national coordinators engaged and activities launched. Two separate agreements for the transboundary CAMP Cyprus-Israel drafted and submitted to the 	- CAMP BH and CAMP Otranto on-going CAMP Cyprus-Israel to be signed and activities launched.

4.4.1.1. Test the methodology for Land- Sea Interactions (LSI).	PAP/RAC	Two CPs for testing identified and process launched.	Testing finalised in a coastal County of Croatia and on-going in Malta.	Testing on-going in Malta.	Testing to be finalized in Malta. A report on the lessons learned to be prepared.
4.4.1.2. Implement the SDG 14 in the Mediterranean by promoting the Blue Economy.	Plan Bleu	 Report on lessons and perspectives based on 40 case studies published, disseminated and presented on at least 2 occasions. TORs drafted and partnerships set-up (delayed in July due to COVID). Methodology to analyze replicability potential and condition developed. 	established in July 2020 (transition to sustainable aquaculture).	Road map on Aquaculture with Med partners (incl. set- up of a Working group, organization of online meetings) developed, taking also advantage of events/ themes/ partnerships developed under 1.4.4.1.	 A SDG14 event to be co-organised (lead French government, Fondation de la Mer), pending confirmation of the IUCN Congress. Roadmap on aquaculture to be presented at COF 22.
4.4.1.3. Develop / consolidate tools to facilitate climate change integration into the decision-making process.	Plan Bleu	Pending potential funding.			
4.4.2. National coast and hydrography m	nonitoring p	programmes developed and updated to	include the relevant IMAP common indicators, intera	ctions and processes.	
4.4.2.1. Consolidate common knowledge to inform MSP as a tool to support GES achievement and EcAp application in the Adriatic area (close link with Key Output 4.2.2).	PAP/RAC	Integrated Monitoring Programme for Montenegro and Integrated Monitoring Programme for Albania finalized and submitted for national (formal) consultations/adoption process.		Several online consultation meetings with local authorities organized online.	Lessons learned to be prepared, addressing experiences in applying IMAP for MSP.
4.4.2.2. Support the implementation of national IMAPs' Coast and Hydrology cluster.	PAP/RAC	Integrated Monitoring Programme for Albania and Montenegro drafted.		CORMON meeting on Coast and Hydrography prepared.	CORMON meeting on coast and hydrography to be held in March (date and venue tbc in consultation with CU).
Strategic Outcome 4.5 Enhanced capacit	y at region	 al, sub-regional and national levels inclu	ding technical assistance and capacity building.		
4.5.1. Capacity building for the application	on of tools	for assessing interactions and integratin	g them in planning/management of coastal and mari	ine environment implemented.	
4.5.1.1. Undertake capacity building for land-use and land-use change analysis.	PAP/RAC				Training material on how to make the analysis and how to used it in the planning process to be prepared.
4.5.1.2. Coordinate testing of the use of the coastal and marine Geoportal at subregional level.	PAP/RAC	- Testing of the geoportal and different modules related to MSP linked to ICZM implemented 2nd training session organised online on 19-20 May Assistance provided to pilots in testing the modules.	 Assistance to four Adriatic-Ionian countries for the preparation of the transferability plans for the geoportal as well as for the maintenance and transferability at the regional level provided. Manual for the use of geoportal prepared. 		
Strategic Outcome 4.6 Enhanced cooper	ation at reg	gional, sub-regional and national levels.			

4.6.1.1. Support the functioning of the network by developing guidelines and methodologies, updating information and organising on-line and face-to-face exchanges. Strategic Outcome 4.7 Identifying and tackling with the network by developing guidelines and PAP/RAC particular properties.			CAMP Network pages updated according to the recommendations of the 1st CAMP Network meeting held in Split in December 2019.	CAMP Network pages updated (cont.) according to the recommendations of the 1st CAMP Network meeting held in Split in December 2019.
4.7.1. Additional stresses relevant to the Convention	ion on water resources due to climate chai	nge assessed in cooperation with other regional inte	rested stakeholders.	
4.7.1.1. Prepare integrated coastal, watershed and aquifer management plan.			First exchanges with GWP Med and Unesco-IHP held online in March-April.	Preparation of the integrated management plan for the Damour area to be launched.

THEME 5 INTEGRATED COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT

PoW Activities	Compone nt	Achievements/Deliveables/ Milestones						
		January-June 2020	July - December 2020	January-June 2021	July - December 2021			
Strategic Outcome 5.2 Development of n	ew action p	lans, programmes and measures, commo	on standards and criteria, guidelines.					
5.2.2. Methodological framework for lan	d and sea ir	nteractions, considering in particular MSF	P and ICZM, developed and applied.					
5.2.2.1. Conceptualize links between IMAP, LSI and MSP, and provide relevant guidance.	PAP/RAC							
Strategic Outcome 5.3 Strengthening nat	ional imple	mentation.						
5.3.1. National ICZM Strategies including	5.3.1. National ICZM Strategies including streamlining pollution, biodiversity, adaptation to climate change and SCP, land and sea interaction as well as sustainable cities prepared and applied.							
5.3.1.1. Support the preparation of national ICZM strategies and plans.	PAP/RAC		Management plan for the Ghar El Melh wetland in Tunisia finalised.	1st working meetings held in April-May with Lebanon to start the process of preparation of the national ICZM strategy, and with Montenegro and Morocco to start the process of preparation of the ICZM plans for selected coastal areas.	 National teams to be set-up and activities to be launched. Preparation of strategies and plans ongoing. Working meetings and consultations to be organised as needed, in consultation with national counterparts. 			
5.3.2. Countries assisted in carrying out gap analysis on national legal and institutional frameworks for ICZM in order to streamline as need be the ICZM Protocol provisions into national legislations.								
5.3.2.1. Promote ratification of the ICZM Protocol.	PAP/RAC				Analysis of national legal and institutional frameworks with regard to ICZM Protocol to be launched in two GEF eligible countries (Algeria and Tunisia) and relevant initial meeting to be organised online in October.			
Strategic Outcome 5.4 Monitoring and as	ssessment.							
5.4.1. Fact sheets for ICZM indicators dev	eloped to e	evaluate the effectiveness of coastal and	marine resources management measure	es.				

5.4.1.1. Update IMAP Common Indicators on Coast and Hydrography Cluster.	PAP/RAC				- Analysis of the basiline situation regarding hydrography indicator (CI15) to be prepared Coastal indicator 16 to be further implemented and monitored.
Strategic Outcome 5.5 Enhanced capacity	at regiona	l, sub-regional and national levels includi	ng technical assistance and capacity buil	lding.	
5.5.1. MedOpen Training Programme on	ICZM regula	arly updated and implemented, in coordi	nation with the relevant NFPs.		
5.5.1.1. Organise MedOpen advanced training courses on ICZM.	PAP/RAC	Technical infrastructure supporting MedOpen upgraded and training material updated.	MedOpen advanced for the universities of Al Hoceima and Bizerte prepared and delivered (September-December).	MedOpen training material in English and French updated.	MedOpen advanced to be prepared and delivered for two universities in Algeria and one in Morocco (September-December).
5.5.1.2. Support implementation of ICZM Protocol at sub-regional level.	PAP/RAC				
Strategic Outcome 5.6 Enhanced coopera	ition at regi	ional, sub-regional and national levels.			
5.6.1. ICZM coordination enhanced throu	gh: (i) Med	iterranean ICZM Platform; (ii) national IC	ZM coordination bodies.		
5.6.1.1. Ensure and maintain the functioning of the Mediterranean ICZM Platform.	PAP/RAC	ICZM platform populated with new material.	ICZM platform populated with new material (cont.).	ICZM platform to be populated with new material (cont.).	ICZM platform to be populated with new material (cont.).
5.6.1.2. Establish and/or enhance Inter- Ministerial Coordination (ICM) frameworks.	PAP/RAC				- Proposal to be drafted for the establishment of national coordination mechanisms in BH, Lebanon and Tunisia National consultations to be organised in all three countries, preferably back-to-back with other meetings.

THEME 6 SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

PoW Activities	Compone nt	Achievements/Deliveables/ Milestones				
		January-June 2020	July - December 2020	January-June 2021	July - December 2021	
Strategic Outcome 6.1. Development of	f new actio	n plans, programmes of measures, common star	ndards and criteria, guidelines and implement	ation of current ones.		
		tly contributing to prevent, reduce and eliminate	te marine pollution and protect/enhance biod	liversity and ecosystems as well as address clin	nate change in the marine and coastal areas	
of the Mediterranean identified and im 6.1.1.1. Support development of National SCP/ Circular Economy Action Plans.		Background Study of the Turkish SCP National Action Plan covering priority value chains (food, housing, textiles, electronics and tourism) developed integrating the inputs from the workshops and the surveys.	Bilateral meeting held with Turkey to define the support for the implementation of the Turkish SCP Action Plan. Decision taken to focus on the housing sector.	- Support provided to the Tunisian Ministry of Local Affairs and Environment for the development of an awareness raising campaign to promote sustainable consumption practices to support the implementation of the Single Use Plastic Bags Ban Bilateral talks held with Turkey to progress in the preparation of the activity.	Technical assistance on SCP and Circular Economy with Turkey to be implemented.	
6.1.1.2. Conduct a Mid-term evaluation of the SCP Regional Action Plan.	SCP/RAC	 Concept note for the MSSD and SCP AP mid-term evaluations prepared. ToR for the consultant in charge of the SCP AP mid-term evaluation prepared. documents valideated with MAP CU. Selection of the external expert and launch of the evaluation carried out. Methodology for the development of the evaluation prepared. Coordination meetings held with MAP CU. 	 Interviews with key stakeholders conducted. Analysis of data (Indicators, LBS reporting) done and evaluation report prepared. Report reviewed and final version prepared to be shared with the countries. Main results shared with SCP/RAC FPs. Coordination meetings held with MAP CU. 	A synthesis report / summary for decision-makers prepared, integrating the results of the MSSD and SCP Action Plan mid-term evaluations (to be done with MAP CU).	Final evaluation and synthesis report to be presented at MAP FP Meeting and COP22.	
6.1.1.3. Assess the role of green businesses and green employment for the protection of the Mediterranean environment.	SCP/RAC	-ToRs for the baseline study for the development of regional measures for green and circular businesses prepared (situation in the region and international experience). - Baseline study with the selected experts and development of the methodology for the collection of information launched. - Communication with SCP/RAC FPs undertaken to inform on the process and request the nomination of national experts. - Webinars with nominated experts organised to engage them in the process and clarify their role.	 Baseline study finalised and draft set of measures prepared. Online and onsite consultation with stakeholders held (SwitchMed Connect) and FPs (CE hotspot event) Webinars organised with experts nominated by the countries to review results of the baseine study and comment proposal of measures. 	- Online meeting with the national experts to review the initial proposal of regional measures held Cosolidated proposal of the set of measures shared and reviewed by SCP/RAC FPs.	Final proposal of the set of measures submitted for consideration by the MAP FPs Meeting.	
6.1.3. Methodological tools for SCP mainstreaming in the priority areas of consumption and production of the Regional Action Plan on SCP - tourism, food, housing and goods manufacturing implemented and new ones developed for other sectors.						
6.1.3.1. Develop pilot activities for the identification of circular economy opportunities within key sectors of the SCP Action Plan.	SCP/RAC	Fund raising activities carried out to secure funds for the implementation of the activity.	Kick-off of the StandUP project (ENI CBC Med) on circular economy opportunities in the textile sector and admininstrative arrangements undertaken.	Implementation of the project ongoing.	Implementation of the project ongoing.	
Strategic Outcome 6.2. Monitoring and	assessmen	t.				
6.2.1. SCP Action Plan indicators aligned with MSSD relevant work, identified, selected and factsheets developed.						

6.2.1.1. Follow-up on SCP indicators under the framework of the SCP Action Plan and MSSD implementation.	SCP/RAC	ToRs for the update and population of the SCP list of indicators prepared.	 - Update and population of the SCP list of indicators undertaken. - Preparation of individual factsheets for each of the indicator following the template of the dashboard indicators to be done in coordination with Plan Bleu. 	Factsheets integrated with the platform of the Mediterranean observatory on enironmnent and sustainable development (Plan Bleu).	Final result to be presented at MAP FP Meeting and COP22.
6.2.1.2. Assess environmental, social and economic performance of green entrepreneurs and circular businesses, contributing to the SCP Action Plan implementation.	SCP/RAC	1 MEAL System (Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning) to assess environmental, social and economic performance of green entrepreneurs and circular businesses consolidated.	MEAL System tested with a sample of green entrepreneurs and circular businesses.	MEAL System adopted and implemented by green entrepreneurs and circular businesses to assess their environmental, social and economic performance.	MEAL System adopted and implemented by green entrepreneurs and circular businesses to assess their environmental, social and economic performance (cont.).
Strategic Outcome 6.3. Enhanced capac	ity at regio	onal, sub- regional and national levels including	technical assistance and capacity building.		
6.3.1. Training and support programme	for green	entrepreneurs and civil society as SCP drivers.			
6.3.1.1. Undertake training and support programme for green entrepreneurs, start-ups and SMEs.		1 Online Platform of Green Business Development Tools and Methodologies developed.	Online Platform of Green Business Development Tools and Methodologies fully operational and running.	Online Platform of Green Business Development Tools and Methodologies fully operational and running (+2,000 registered users).	Online Platform of Green Business Development Tools and Methodologies fully operational and running (Nº of registered users).
	SCP/RAC	40-80 Business Support Organizations targeting green entrepreneurs identified and mobilised to join Switchers Support National Partnerships in 8 Mediterranean countries (Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine, Israel and Lebanon).	Switchers Support National Partnerships, gathering 69 Business Support Organizations targeting green entrepreneurs, set up in 5 Mediterranean countries (Morocco, Tunisia, Jordan, Palestine and Lebanon).	Switchers Support National Partnerships, gathering 92 Business Support Organizations targeting green entrepreneurs, set up in 7 Mediterranean countries (Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Jordan, Palestine, Israel and Lebanon).	8 Switchers Support National Partnerships to become operational and providing support services to green entrepreneurs.
		Transfer of Green Business Development capacities, methodologies and tools to 40-80 Business Support Organizations carried out.	Green Business Development capacities, methodologies and tools transfered to 76 Business Support Organizations in 7 countries (Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon and Italy) offering a Training of Trainers programme (11-days workshop) delivered to 166 participants (50% women).	Green Business Development capacities, methodologies and tools transfered to 95 Business Support Organizations in 9 countries (Egypt, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Spain and Tunisia) offering a Training of Trainers programme (11-days workshop) delivered to 208 participants (50% women).	
				 Training and support schemes for green entrepreneurs implemented by the Business Support Organizations. Calls for applicants launched in 8 countries (Egypt, Israel, Italy, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Spain and Tunisia) with more tham 900 applicants. More than 390 entrepreneurs supported through Workshops for Sustainable Business Model development in 7 countries (Egypt, Israel, Italy, Lebanon, Palestine, Spain and Tunisia). 	Training and support schemes for green entrepreneurs (400-800) implemented by the National Partnerships to be designed and facilitated.
					Mentoring and replication support among Switchers to be performed.
					Financial deals between green entrepreneurs and financial actors to be promoted.
Strategic Outcome 6.4. Enhanced coop	eration at r	egional, sub- regional and national levels to pre	vent and control marine pollution.		

6.4.1.1. Strengthen the Mediterranean Green Impact Investing Network (Switchers Fund).	SCP/RAC	SwitchersFund and collaborations promoted to facilitate access to finance for the Switchers (e-mail campaign to disseminate the new brochure, updating of the Financial Institutions Database in Tunisia, Egypt, Lebanon and Palestine).	- SwitchersFund and collaborations promoted to facilitate access to finance for the Switchers (roundtable of key Financial Institutions at the B4Planet Conference in Barcelona) Access to finance pitching and training materials developed (to be used to train partners in Tunisia, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Palestine, Morocco).	 Background stduy and scenarios analysis prepared to establish a public-private fund to support circular economy start-ups in the Mediterranean. Establishment of National Task Forces in 7 Southern Mediterranean countries, gathering FIs and BSOs 	 SwitchersFund and collaborations to be further promoted to facilitate access to finance for the Switchers. Access to finance training for early stage and growth stage Switchers (Tunisia, Morocco, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Palestine) to be organised. Regional Observatory on Sustainable Finance to be developed and established.
6.4.1.2. Scale up SCP solutions in the Mediterranean.	SCP/RAC	 Facilitation of market links for sustainable tourism products and services in Tunisia (and Lebanon) provided - kick-off and mapping. Switchers product platform as well as the marketing and outreach plan developed. 	 Facilitation of market links for sustainable tourism products and services in Tunisia (and Lebanon) provided- workshops of the working groups. Switchers product platform laucnhed and starting the implementation of the marketing plan The open innovation challenge developed. 	Open Innovation - Corporate Venturing Methodology developed.On-going design and programming of the Open Innovation Platform.	 Final launch of the Switchers Products Platform and beginning of marketing operations to be carried out. Final launch of the Open Innovation Platform to be carried out. Regional trainings and policy brief on Open Innovation and Corporate Venturing to be organised.
6.4.1.3. Establish supporting structures for green and circular businesses.	SCP/RAC	Access to Market Tool for the Switchers developed.	Access to Market Tool for the Switchers finalised.	Trainings for early-stage and growth stage Switchers organised.	Trainings and finanial support for early-stage and growth stage Switchers to be provided.
6.4.2. A Mediterranean SCP Hub for kn	owledge ex	change and networking fully operative and perfe	orming as connector and lever for new partne	rships and initiatives providing SCP solutions.	
6.4.2.1. Manage a Mediterranean Community of SCP stakeholders that is a space for the exchange of knowledge on SCP, training, and the establishment of alliances, projects and business opportunities.	SCD/RAC	The webplatform and social media channels developed and relaunched: - new sections added to the platform such as "News", "Publications" and new activity sectors; - 58 funding and training opportunities for green entrepreneurs shared; - 2 webinars on "Circular Economy in the textile sector" and "Adaptation strategies to COVID19 crisis" organised; - 7 synergies among Switchers or/and external organisations identified.	Increased visitors and followers on the webplatform and social media channels.	 "Switchers Talks", the first 2-days digital gathering of the Switchers Community organised. #EYESONGREEN social media competition, acknowledging the role of Green Entrepreneurs in 	 Increased visitors and followers on the webplatform and social media channels (cont.) IV virtual edition of the SwitchMed Connect to be organised. New SCP/RAC visual identity and web development developed to enhance access to SCP resources.

THEME 7 CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

PoW Activities	Compone nt	Achievements/Deliveables/ Milestones			
		January-June 2020	July - December 2020	January-June 2021	July - December 2021
Strategic Outcome 7.1. Strengthening th	ne regional i	mplementation of the obligations under the I	Barcelona Convention and its Protocols, and	of programmes of measures in existing Regi	ional Strategies and Action Plans.
7.1.1. Climate Change Adaptation main	activities ide	entified and mainstreamed into the impleme	ntation of existing regional strategies, regior	nal action plans and measures.	
7.1.1.1. Promote environmental taxation especially for fossil fuel emissions.	Plan Bleu			Preliminary study on environmental harmful subsidies initiated.	Preliminary study on environmental harmful subsidies to be completed and disseminated.
7.1.1.2. Promote the use of alternative, renewable energy resources in the Mediterranean.	Plan Bleu	Potential initiatives and partners identified.	- Outline of the report drafted Exchange on best practices supported Technical factsheet regarding available Techniques (BAT) and Best Environmental Practices (BEP) to minimize potential negative impacts of certain infrastructures and practices linked to the production and use of renewable marine energies drafted.	Report on blue energy drafted.	- Report on blue energy to be finalized Factsheet regarding available Techniques (BAT and Best Environmental Practices (BEP) to minimize potential negative impacts of certain infrastructures and practices linked to the production and use of renewable marine energies to be further disseminated.
Strategic Outcome 7.2 Development of	new action p	plans, programmes and measures, common s	tandards and criteria, guidelines.		
7.2.1. Climate change adaptation, include	ding related	vulnerabilities and risks, key activites mainst	treamed into the development of new/updat	ted regional strategies, regional action plans	and measures addressing biodiversity,
pollution and land and sea interactions.	T	Draces guidelines drefted in English translated into	Handbook for special rope resilience developed and	Dragons guidelines translated into Italian	
7.2.1.1. Adapt the PAP/RAC Guidelines for adapting to climate change and variability to the Adriatic basin.	PAP/RAC	Process guidelines drafted in English translated into Croatian language.	Handbook for coastal zone resilience developed and final draft sent to the project partners for comments.	 Process guidelines translated into Italian. Handbok of coastal zone resilience completed and translated into Croatian and Italian. Two documents designed and disseminated. 	
7.2.3. Promote integration of ecosystem	n-based resp	onses in National Climate Change Adaptation	n Strategies.		
7.2.3.1. Support Contracting Parties to enhance the marine biodiversity component on their updated National Determined Contributions (NDCs), in line with the UNFCCC COP21 Paris	SPA/RAC		ToRs to prepare Guidelines to enhance the marine biodiversity component of countries updated NDCs to increase alignment and integration of marine biodiversity concerns and SDG 14 pursuit, harmonized and coordinated with related tools and initiatives by the UNFCCC and the CBD, including exchanges with MedECC experts (through PLAN BLEU) to maximize synergies.	Call for an expert published and preparation of the guidelines, harmonised with the Draft Post 2020 SAPBIO actions once endorsed, which will have also to assess the current state of this works for Mediterranean biodiversity in general and on marine topics specifically, including exchanges with MedECC experts (through PLAN BLEU), CBD and UNFCCC related officers, ongoing.	
Agreement.	1	Multipartner workshop planned for the IUCN 2020	- Policy paper revised / enriched, based on lessons	- Policy paper disseminated.	- Participation to the IUCN Congress.

7.3.1. Climate change adaptation priority	y fields iden	tified and mainstreamed into the relevant M	AP policies, as appropriate.		
7.3.1.1. Mainstream the climate change adaptation into local ICZM plans.	PAP/RAC	Scoping analysis related to the input studies for the future MSP plan of the Šibenik-Knin County made.	Input study on climate change impacts and adaptation for the future MSP plan of the Šibenik-Knin County finalised.		
7.3.1.2. Create a catalogue of climate change adaptation measures and mitigation policies.	PAP/RAC	 - List of adaptation measures developed. - Templates for presenting adaptation measures and adaptation practices developed. - Adaptation options identified. - Case studies launched and implemented. 	 - Adaptation options prepared. - Case studies ongoing. - Translations into Croatian and Italian prepared. 	- Adaptation options finalised.- Case studies finalised.- Translated into Croatian and Italian finalised.	
7.3.1.3. Support the preparation of strategies for climate change adaptation.	PAP/RAC	Support to the city of Vodice in preparing its climate change adaptation plan provided (participation to meetings, training, upon request).		Contents of the Internet platform on adaptation to climate change for local and regional administrations defined and uploaded.	
Strategic Outcome 7.4 Monitoring and A	ssessment.				
7.4.1. Climate Change vulnerability issue	s considere	ed in existing monitoring programmes.			
7.4.1.1. Develop vulnerability and impact indicators of climate change on biodiversity and natural resources, also addressing socio-economic trends.	Plan Bleu	Report on socio-economic indicators associated with climate change vulnerabilities in MPAs published in collaboration with SPA/RAC (delayed to July/August 2020)	Report published/disseminated (further activities pending external funding).		
Strategic Outcome 7.5 Enhanced capacit	y at regiona	al, sub- regional and national levels including	technical assistance and capacity building.		
7.5.1. Awareness and engagement of key	y stakehold	ers on climate change adaptation and on its li	inks with the core themes enhanced.		
7.5.1.1.Improve the adaptation of existing tools such as Imagine to engage stakeholders on climate change adaptation strategies.	Plan Bleu		 - MedProgramme launched (Plan Bleu responsibilities under Child projects 1.1.; 2.1 and SCCF-A project); PCA signed for CP 1.1 and 2.1. - Case studies launched. - Climagine implementation guide outlined. 		- Case studies to be elaborated through consultancy work to assess lessons learnt from implementation of Climagine method in Tunisia and Montenegro.
7.5.1.2. Promote regional dialogue on Climate Change impacts and adaptation strategies.	Plan Bleu	Preparation of a large science-policy event undertaken.	 Plenary consultation held with governments on the summary for policy makers of the 1st Mediterranean Assessment Report (22 September 2020). Large science-policy event Med2020 organised (Marseille, 16-18 November 2020). Participation ensured in a dedicated event coorganized by the Parliamentarian Assembly of the Mediterranean and UNEP/MAP (14 December) 	- Successful outreach to include references to MedECC work in the One Planet Summit (OPS, 11 January 2021) documents and speeches done. Partner of the 3rd Edition of the ADEME Mediterranean Climate Change Adaptation Awards Discussion with UfM pending confirmation of the UfM Ministerial Meeting in Egypt in March 2021, to prepare due reference to MAR1 during the event and in the declaration.	Meeting to be followed up (pending furthe delay of this event).