

Implementation of the UN Environment Programme Marine Strategy – with focus on three UNEA4 resolutions

Committee of Permanent Representatives

Subcommittee Meeting

Thursday 12 September 2019, CR 4, Nairobi

UNEP Marine & Coastal Strategy 2020-2030

Four strategic objectives

1: Enhance knowledge-base on ecosystem health and drivers for policy-making

2: Build circularity in economies, sustainable consumption & production

3. Policies and strategies on integrated management of ecosystem services

4. Financing principles and instruments for blue economy transition



Outcomes

Behavioural change enabling sustainable use of and reduced human impacts on marine and coastal ecosystem services

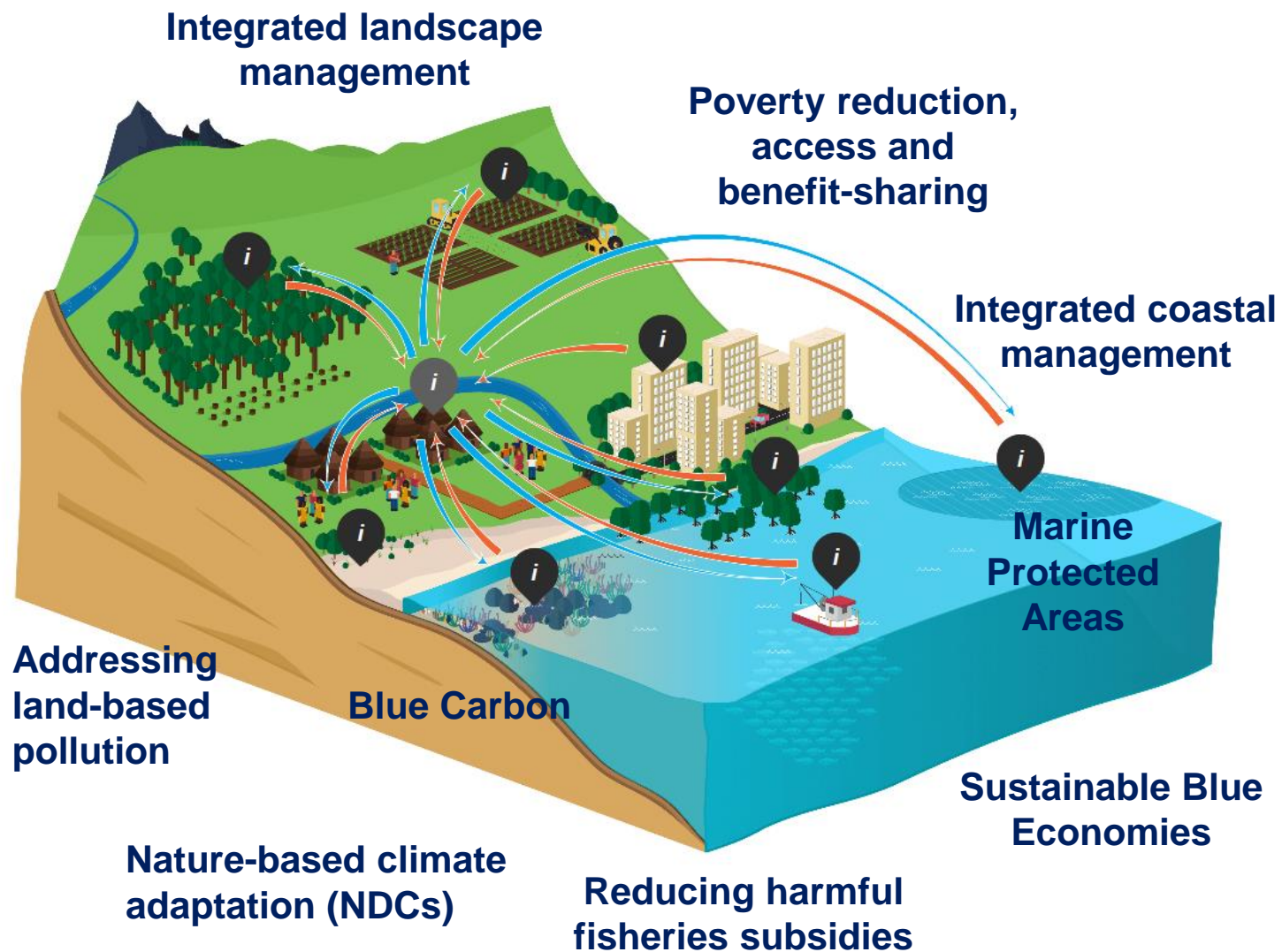
Impact

Healthy and climate resilient oceans and coasts for human well-being into the future

Oceans across UNEA resolutions

UNEA 2/4:	Implementing Samoa Pathway
UNEA 2/5:	Delivering 2030 Agenda
UNEA 2/8, 4/1:	Sustainable Consumption and Production
UNEA 2/10:	Oceans & Seas
UNEA 2/11, 3/7, 4/6:	Marine plastic litter and micro-plastics
UNEA 2/12, 4/13:	Sustainable Coral Reefs
UNEA 2/13:	Natural Capital for sustainable development
UNEA 3/6:	Soil pollution
UNEA 3/10:	Water pollution
UNEA 4/11:	Protecting marine environment from land-based activities
UNEA 4/12:	Mangrove management
UNEA 4/14:	Nitrogen management

Oceans across UNEP's work



UNEP SUB-PROGRAMMES

Climate change
Resilience to Disaster
Healthy and Productive Ecosystems
Environmental Governance
Chemical and Waste
Resource efficiency
Environmental Assessment

Integrated delivery of 2030 Agenda

SDG 2: Food security
SDG 6: Water
SDG 8: Economic growth
SDG 12: Sustainable consumption
SDG 13: Climate change
SDG 14: Healthy Oceans
SDG 15: Life on land

Roadmap for Delivery Framework for Marine Strategy

**UNEA 4/INF.7:
Proposal for
Marine Strategy
to OECPR and
UNEA4 for
consideration**

**CPR briefing on
Marine Strategy
Delivery**

**CPR input to
preparation of
Delivery Framework**

**Final Marine
Strategy Delivery
Framework**

1Q 2019

2Q 2019

3Q 2019

4Q 2019

1Q 2020

Engage Regional Seas:

- Cartagena COP, Honduras
- Abidjan COP, Abidjan
- COBSEA IGM, Bali
- SPREP Ministerial, Apia
- Tehran COP, Nov 2019
- Barcelona COP, Dec 2019
- NOWPAP IGM, Dec 2019

Engage partners:

- UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development
- UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration
- Climate Action Summit

Formulate draft Delivery Framework

Regional Seas Annual Meeting, 3-5 Oct, Berlin

UNEP Ecosystems Division, Senior Management Retreat

**Input to UNEP's
Medium-Term
Strategy 2022-26**



Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities (GPA)



- IGR Process
- Roadmap for GPA governance

Others

- Radioactive substances
- Oils
- Sediment mobilization
- Alteration/destruction of habitat

Graduated



- Persistent organic pollutants
- Heavy Metals



Manila Declaration



- Litter
- Nutrients
- Sewage



GPA Roadmap



Consultations

- Cartagena COP
- Abidjan COP
- COBSEA IGM
- SPREP Ministerial
- Barcelona COP

3rd Ad-hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter, Bangkok

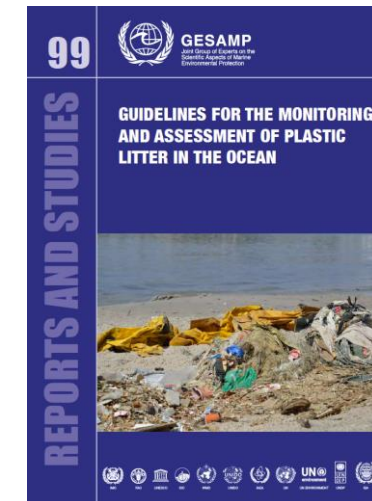
4th Ad-hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter, Peru

5th Ad-hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter, Africa

Implementation of UNEP/EA.4/Res.6 Marine litter and microplastics



- **Regional and National Action Plans** on Marine Litter: Regional – 11 final, 4 draft; National inventories; legislation and advocacy
- Strengthen scientific and technological knowledge: Establish **Scientific Advisory Committee** (13 Sept deadline), Indicators, technology and innovation primer
- **Information Management and Coordination:** World Environment Situation Room
- **Ad hoc open ended expert group:** State of Play (Gaps/Barriers)– Solutions – Options for Action, 3rd meeting – Bangkok, 18-22 November 2019 , 4th in Peru and 5th in Africa
- **Capacity building:** MOOC with 22,000 registrations, Training of trainers
- **Clean Seas Campaign:** 60 countries+, Upcoming focus areas



Implementation of UNEP/EA.4/Res.11

Protection of marine environment from land-based activities

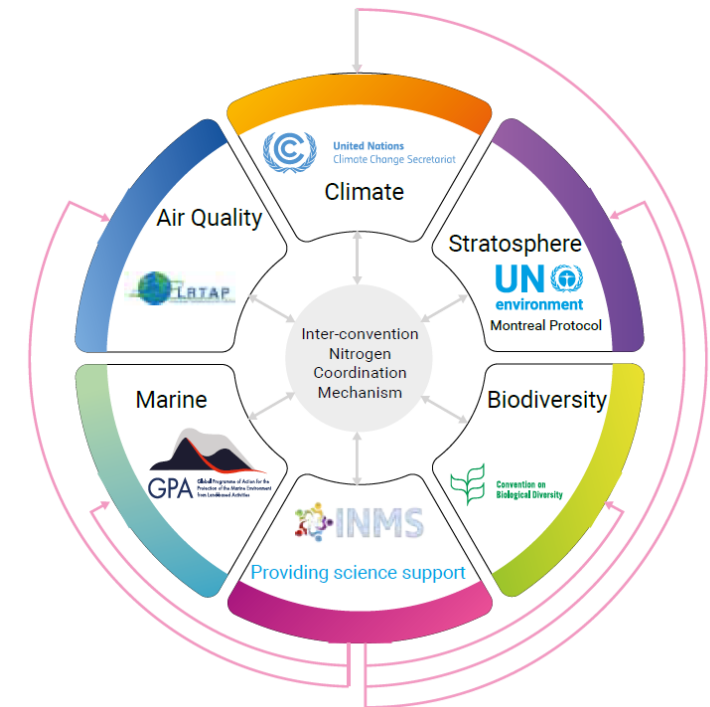
- Indonesia has established a **Regional Activity Centre for Clean Seas (RC3S)** in Bali
- The centre is a hub for capacity building, knowledge management and awareness raising related to land-based sources of marine pollution
- Indonesia provides office, staff and annual budget
- The 24th Intergovernmental Meeting of the Coordinating Body on the Seas of East Asia (COBSEA) expressed appreciation of the effort by Indonesia and **encouraged Indonesia to develop the RC3S as a COBSEA Regional Activity Centre**
- UNEP and COBSEA are collaborating with RC3S on a Training of Trainers on marine litter monitoring, 9-13 September 2019



Implementation of UNEP/EA.4/Res.14 Sustainable Nitrogen Management



- International Nitrogen Management System (INMS): **Tools and methods, Quantification, Demonstration, Awareness raising**; key messages - coordination, multiple opportunities, and national focal points
- **Nitrogen Global Campaign**: Launch by HE President Srisena, 23 October in Colombo, Nitrogen for Life theme, phased approach
- **Working Group on Sustainable Nitrogen Management**: ToR/timeline to be developed, call for nominations
- **Roadmap** for Action on Sustainable Nitrogen Management, 2020-2022 - under development



Thank you for your attention!

Comments/Questions?

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