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## Summary of conclusions

### **1. Meetings planned for 2001, with respective responsibilities and expected results**

- Given the very heavy schedule for 2001, the high points being the meeting of national Focal Points, the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the MCSD in Antalya, and the XIIth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties in Monaco, RAC coordinators should bear in mind that a strategic presentation of MAP is to be submitted to the Contracting Parties, with the emphasis being placed on three shortcomings amongst others: the programme's low profile, the lack of awareness about the conditions for applying the legal instruments in the countries, and the inadequacy of the reporting system.
- Participants noted the additional information provided by MED POL, the RACs and the 100 historic sites programme regarding the dates and places for the meetings they are organising in 2001, as reflected in the calendar annexed to this report. The RACs are invited to confirm as quickly as possible any meetings still with tentative status.
- The SPA/RAC and REMPEC are invited to take part in the meeting of the working party on the reporting system (Athens, late February);
- The possibility should be envisaged of opening up to all relevant components of MAP the consultative meeting organised by MED POL (Sorrento, 15-17 March) on the informal network on compliance and enforcement of legislation;
- With the information officer set to take up his duties in the near future, the most important meetings should be flagged up before they take place (particularly for the press), and a technical meeting for this purpose should be scheduled between the heads of the MAP components and the Information Officer.

### **2. MED POL and RAC activities: progress report on activities in 2000 and the programme for 2001: objectives, working method, calendar, results.**

- For all RACs and programmes: arrive at the meeting of the Contracting Parties having drawn up an assessment of their past achievements, a self-assessment, and a frank examination of their prospects for the years to come, in other words having questioned their own terms of reference prior to renewal, in the spirit of the recommendation from the Malta meeting in 1999;
- PAP/RAC:
  - *Regarding integrated coastal management*, avoid the mushrooming of demonstration projects, which would prove nothing more than a substitute for a genuine structured policy; following the discussions at the most recent meetings of the Contracting Parties and the MCSD, and the paragraph included in the Tunis Declaration, submit a strategic document to the XIIth meeting of the Contracting Parties, based on but going beyond the documents already produced in this field by the Centre: i) by recapping on achievements and problems; ii) by highlighting elements of efficiency and sticking points; iii) by opening up certain options for MAP (Protocol, support for countries with their national legislation); the strategic document will help shape the RAC's policy for coming years;
  - Limit erosion-related action as far as possible to *coastal erosion*;
  - A new remit should be submitted to the meeting of MAP Focal Points.

- MED POL:

- Update the SAP adopted in 1997- which continues to be the policy document for the GEF Mediterranean project- in the light of all the new data collected on technical aspects (such as the various national hot spots);
- Pick up on the Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA) with the aim of updating and revising it;
- Use publication of the hot spots document to awaken the relevant national and local authorities to effective curative measures to be taken;
- Re-subscribe to the process on *climate change*, as recommended by the Tunis Declaration, an issue which will continue to grow in importance in the future; work in contact with the IPCC and the Secretariat of the Framework Convention on Climate Change, and recruit an expert to assess the question based on studies already conducted in the Mediterranean, and to put forward proposals for future work, bearing in mind that although the Mediterranean produces less emissions than other regions, it is particularly vulnerable to their impact, which affects its economy, its biodiversity, and its energy and transport policies; work in liaison with the BP, which has included this aspect in its new global report with a trend reference scenario, as well as with all the other RACs affected by various impacts; also consider the possibility of making this the subject of a future MCSD theme;
- Specifically raise *the question of financing* SAP depollution operations, which is a matter of future concern, since bilateral and multilateral public aid is dropping off, and there are strict budgetary constraints, whilst the level of investment required is high; once again, do this in liaison with the BP (which could dedicate a chapter of its global report to the funding of sustainable development) and the MCSD (possible future theme); awaken and motivate decision-takers in respect of the question of the investment required, drawing their attention to the cost of environmental degradation.

- BLUE PLAN:

- Focus 2001 activities on preparing a *new Environment/Development Report*;
- Set up an up-dated version of the Website on indicators and analysis of issues in the Mediterranean, which provides a permanent scoreboard;
- As far as the *indicators* are concerned, remind the other RACs of how important it is for them to mobilise and to contribute to this Blue Plan activity;
- Regarding the "*Algeria*" CAMP, complete negotiation of the remit, in order to respond to this country's pressing and ambitious demand for the project, whilst however recalling the content and limitations of CAMPs, and providing a reasonable financial package; if appropriate, plan for the involvement of MED POL (on a SAP hot spot, for example), and of REMPEC (for the national contingency plan);
- Use the BP NFP meeting to raise the question of the *observatories* which the Plan has launched, and which it is required to continue, where necessary by encouraging their funding under cooperation projects, and ensuring that this role is integrated into the ministerial structures;
- Also submit to the BP NFP meeting the matter of re-examining the Centre's terms of reference. Renewed terms will be submitted to the meeting of MAP Focal Points.

- CP/RAC:

- Conduct an in-depth re-examination of the Centre's terms of reference from a strategic perspective, looking at the final aim of its objectives, whether its technical activities are well-founded, and how useful it is to diffuse them, as well as the possibility of expanding into the economy, the assessment of industrial pollution and the general problems of industry, which would allow the Centre to act as a bridge between MAP and a sector with which it is not very familiar;
- Plan for greater integration of the CP dimension into the CAMPs;
- Grasp the opportunities which the GEF project provides for the Centre;
- Focus information and awareness-raising action regarding clean technologies *on SMEs in particular*, which make up the vast majority of companies, rather than on the huge companies which tend to have their own advisors and expertise for adapting to new technologies; this work with the SMEs could be conducted within networks, through the training of trainers and professionals, or as a body serving the environmental administrations.

- ERS/RAC:

- Following the administrative shake-up within the Centre, and with confirmation having been given that it is to continue its activities according to the scheduled programme, examine the effectiveness and utility of the Centre within the general restructuring context for the terms of reference;
- Inform the Secretariat in due time of any additional information to the AEE/ANPA proposal for setting up a *thematic centre on land use*, the ERS/RAC's involvement in this centre and, more generally speaking, of the future of projects submitted to the EC.

- 100 Historic Sites Programme:

- Whilst awaiting the assessment requested by the Contracting Parties' meeting in Malta of the relevance and role of the programme given the aims of MAP II, and the decision to be taken in Monaco, take any opportunities for intervention offered and requested by the countries, bearing in mind that the Mediterranean region is, par excellence, the region where cultural heritage is tied in with the environment, and represents a major stake in sustainable development;
- Pick out elements for a more regional perspective from the reputation which the Programme has earned at local level for many historic sites in the Mediterranean, moving beyond the notion of "sites" alone, with the "monuments" and "stones" related to them, in order to open the door to ideas on cultural heritage, and particularly its "know-how" dimension as related to the management of water, soil and towns;
- Consider the possibility of integrating the Programme into some relevant MCSD themes in the future- as could have been done for "tourism", and as could still be done for "urban management".

- REMPEC:

- Continue its activities, giving priority to *pollution prevention* by commercial and cruise vessels, as requested by the Contracting Parties in Malta, bearing in mind that in the long term the Centre will be increasingly called upon to play a monitoring and supervisory role;
- With the prospect of the revised Emergency Protocol being adopted, prepare Mediterranean countries for the idea that they will have to combine their will and

policies in order to submit proposals to the IMO "en bloc", since prevention can only really be effective within an international framework, by using as an argument measures which have already been or are still to be applied by the European Union in the aftermath of the recent accidents off the coast of Brittany.

- Renewed terms of reference should be submitted to the Focal Points.

- SPA/RAC:

- The RAC will push ahead with its activities, bearing in mind the need for effective application of the convention-based provisions on biodiversity.

**3. Joint Meeting of BP/PAP/ERS Focal Points (Palermo, 12-16 June, 2001)**

- It was noted that the region of Sicily was officially confirming its commitment to host the meeting and its conference services, and to provide appropriate premises;
- The PAP and BP RACs and the MED Unit are also to chip in with the expenses to the tune of the figure earmarked for this activity in the budget; the ERS/RAC is to contribute in kind by providing logistical support;
- Four days are to be set aside for the meeting (plus half a day for the adoption of the report), to be organised as follows:
  - half a day for general questions, two and a half days for questions related to the RACs, and one day for joint questions (CAMP, indicators, capacity building, reporting system, MCSD);
- Pre-session documentation: each RAC is to prepare its progress report, presenting the activities it has undertaken since 1995-96, and concentrating on those of recent years; legal provisions are to be annexed to these reports for the delegates (recommendations 97 and 99 from the CPs, RAC remits, host country agreements, etc.); PAP/RAC and BP/RAC are to attach their assessments (which in the case of PAP has already been started, and will have been completed), indicating what their new remits are likely to be. These will not be on the agenda for Palermo, but will be examined within the general framework of MAP assessment; finally, the RACs are to table a report on their planned activities for the next biennium and beyond (for the following period and even further ahead, if possible), aiming at following a strategic approach; finally, the MED Unit is to present an introductory report; the draft reports should be prepared by late April;

**2. Strategic Actions Programme on Biodiversity (BIO SAP).**

- The meeting noted the organisational aspects of the BIO SAP, as summed up in the table annexed to this report, including the activities, timetable, products and responsibilities:
  - Appointment of national coordinators and national correspondents for the BIO SAP by the MAP NFPs;
  - Setting up of the advisory committee, meeting of national correspondents, preparation of national reports (February 2001- July 2002);
  - Preparation of national action plans (May 2002-June 2002);
  - Preparation of regional reports (March 2001-June 2002);
  - Preparation of the BIO SAP (November 2002-October 2003 with the draft to be submitted for adoption to the XIIIth meeting of the CPs);



- Although the BIO SAP process actually runs in parallel to the MED SAP, the latter's inter-organisational committee covers the whole of the GEF project;
- Countries should be invited to appoint a high-powered national correspondent;
- The unique opportunity should be grasped of being in a position for the first time in the Mediterranean of bringing together in one vast pool all of the stakeholders involved in marine biodiversity: experts, NGOs, decision-takers, users (fishermen);
- Unlike the MED SAP, the BIO SAP's aims are more qualitative than quantitative;
- All the relevant conventions (Bonn, Berne, Ramsar, CBD) should be closely involved with this work, as should those organisations which have already built up a wealth of experience in this field in the Mediterranean, such as FAO, the WWF, and the IUCN.
- The important point is to avoid creating a permanent inventory, in order to focus the project on specific activities;
- As far as non-native species are concerned, make contact with the global IMO/UNDP project on *ballast waters* (REMPEC for the prevention side and the SPA/RAC on aspects concerning intervention against the introduction of species) with a view to action organised in the Mediterranean.

#### **5. Implementation of the 2001 Budget**

- The RACs may commit the full amount of funding approved for 2001 activities;
- They should endeavour to spend the funds available, and to do so throughout the year, avoiding concentrating spending in the last months or weeks;
- Accounts must be closed on 31<sup>st</sup> December; it is only allowed to carry expenditure over into the first three months of the subsequent budgetary period;
- A general rule to be respected in meetings is the granting of a set daily amount depending on what conveniences are provided free of charge to participants; a note in this respect recapping the United Nations' rules was sent out to all Centres in the last quarter of 2000.

#### **6. MCSD: follow-up of recent meetings, preparing for the next meeting, thematic and specific inter-sessional activities**

- It was decided that the meeting of MAP national Focal Points (11-14 September 2001, Athens), and the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the MCSD (Antalya, 3-6 October) should be kept separate;
- Note was taken of the summary table of the MCSD's main meetings, those meetings to which it should contribute, possible new issues, inter-sessional activities, and the preparation of the Strategy for Sustainable Development in the Mediterranean, with their respective timetables, as included in an annex to this report;
- It is planned to organise a major Mediterranean forum (Assizes) on sustainable development in 2002 under the auspices of the MCSD, aimed at mobilising the region's forces on this theme, developing the participatory approach, and diversifying the MCSD's activities; this forum is intended to be open and free, should leave broad scope for civil society, and should stress cross-sectoral issues; the date will be set in relation to those chosen for the 8<sup>th</sup> MCSD, the CSD, and the Earth Summit II.

## **7. Assessment of the RACs and Programmes**

- This is set to become an essential activity in 2001, in order to allow the terms of reference of the Centres and Programmes to be reshaped, and to tailor them to suit the new role of MAP since it was itself revised in 1995; it should begin in February;
- As for the BP and PAP, coordinated by A. Hoballah, it should mean that their respective responsibilities and roles can be clearly distinguished, since in the past a degree of confusion as to who did what often laid them open to criticism from the CPs;
- In the future the assessment will also cover MED POL;
- As for the Programme of 100 Historic Sites, the exercise coordinated by L. Chabason and H. Da Cruz is more than just a simple assessment since it should mean that four options can be put forward, based not only on the effectiveness of the Programme, but also on MAP's vocation to retain it:
  - i) Maintaining the status quo;
  - ii) Maintaining it whilst reshaping the terms of reference;
  - iii) Integrating into another structure;
  - iv) Abolishing it;
- The authorities of the host country will be involved in the assessment, to be conducted by independent and neutral persons;
- The assessment will mainly cover three aspects: programme of activities, budget, and terms of reference (vis a vis MAP and regional developments);
- With Turkey having offered to host a new centre for training or tourism, any possible interference between it and other RACs should be looked into.

## **8. The MAP Logo**

- Following the official adoption of the MAP logo by the Bureau at its meeting in Damascus, participants noted its various formats and uses, as summed up in the annex; in all cases, the MAP logo may not be removed from the support used;
- As far as REMPEC is concerned, it should also use the IMO logo;
- Documents and cover-pages already in stock will need to be reformatted, as will publications produced under specific conditions (e.g. by a RAC as a national association).

## **9. Reporting System**

- Participants noted the consultant's document, which was handed out at the meeting, and were invited to examine it and make any comments on its content in the near future, with an eye to the working group meeting scheduled for 28 February;
- Any amendments made to the document should aim at rendering it as workable as possible; in accordance with a recommendation from the last Bureau meeting, care should be taken to ensure that the reporting system squares with those followed by other relevant conventions and the EC, with the prospect of new Mediterranean countries joining the European Union;
- MAP will assist certain countries in applying the reporting system;
- Given the mushrooming of reports and the workload which this entails for national administrations, efforts should be made to adopt a simple, rational system, and to take account of reports on the application of legal instruments, which should be binding and homogeneous, and reports on other aspects of MAP;

- Consider using the MAP website to post up the national reports used for the MCSD's strategic review, pending authorisation from the countries concerned.

**10. Assessment of MAP: terms of reference, expected results, organisation**

- The exercise should not involve a heavy advisory process, and should at most draw on one or two outside opinions; it is part of MAP's overall strategy and should cover the programme's scope of intervention, the work structure, partnerships, and financial aspects.

**11. Preparation of the forthcoming two-year exercise 2002-2003**

- The Centres should send in their initial programme-budget proposals in late April to allow the final report to be prepared in mid July;
- As for its presentation, the format used in the last 1999 report should be retained, as it was generally deemed to be satisfactory ("stakes, responses to the stakes, loopholes, proposals"), adding a paragraph containing a brief assessment of the main activities;
- For the overall readjustment of the budget, it is preferable to stick with a reasonable, easily acceptable rate which would avoid drawn-out and pointless discussions;
- Operational expenditure should be limited as far as possible;
- There is no plan to create jobs, with the exception of a post in REMPEC;
- The commitments related to projects should be specified.

**12. Miscellaneous**

- The readmission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations fold opens up the prospect of its possible accession to the Barcelona Convention, and the question of its arrears being settled; in any case, it is up to the national authorities in the country to take the initiative on this matter within the framework of the normalisation of their relations with the UN;
- The question should be raised in MAP of the arrears of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, which are taking on worrying proportions;
- As far as MAP cooperation with the Palestinian Authority is concerned, it should be pursued, with the setting up of a pollution monitoring programme under MED POL.



**ANNEXE I**

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## ANNEX II

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS ORGANISED UNDER THE MEDITERRANEAN  
ACTION PLAN

(as of 12 March 2001)

Meeting	Date, Place	Organizer & co-sponsor (co-sponsor in brackets)	Responsible Officer	Report Status
	<b>2001</b>			
National Training Course for OSC and Supervisors in Morocco	7-11 January Casablanca	REMPEC (IMO/TCD)	R. Patrino D. Domovic S. Micallef	to be issued by REMPEC
Meeting of MEDU and RACs Directors	15-16 Jan. Athens	UNEP-MEDU	L. Chabason	to be issued by MEDU
Experts Meeting on the Preparation of the Strategic Framework and State of Environment Report	22-23 Jan. Sophia Antipolis	UNEP-MEDU BP/RAC	L. Chabason A. Hoballah G. Benoit	no report foreseen
MCSO Urban Group Steering Committee Meeting	24 January Sophia Antipolis	PAP/RAC BP/RAC	I. Trumbic S. Laria	to be issued by PAP/RAC and BP/RAC
Training Course MEDSTAT Environment (soil)	29 Jan.-2 Feb. Malta	BP/RAC	J. Iotti	to be issued by BP/RAC
CAMP Malta – Sustainability Analysis	5-6 February Split	BP/RAC	G. Benoit E. Coudert	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Harmonization Meeting for CAMP Malta	19-20 February (tentative) Malta	PAP/RAC	I. Trumbic S. Laria	to be issued by PAP/RAC and BP/RAC
First Meeting of the Advisory Committee for SAP Biodiversity	22-23 Feb. Tunis	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati	to be issued by SPA/RAC
Working Group on Reporting System	28 February Athens	UNEP-MEDU	L. Chabason H. Da Cruz	to be issued by MEDU

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Date, Place</b>	<b>Organizer &amp; co-sponsor (co-sponsor in brackets)</b>	<b>Responsible Officer</b>	<b>Report Status</b>
Experts Meeting to discuss Strategic Options for Coastal Management	2-3 March Split	PAP/RAC	I. Trumbic	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Meeting of the Interagency Coordination Committee (GEF)	8 March. Athens	UNEP-MEDU	GEF Coordin.	to be issued by MEDU
Meeting of the Coordination Committee (GEF)	9-10 March Athens	UNEP-MEDU	GEF Coordin.	to be issued by MEDU
Consultation Meeting of the Informal Network on Compliance and Enforcement	15-17 March Sorrento	UNEP-MEDU	G. Kamizoulis F.S. Civili	to be issued by MEDU
Expert Meeting to adopt Existing Evaluation Methodology for Economic Instruments (GEF)	16-17 March Split (tentative)	PAP/RAC	D. Povh	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Second Meeting of LIFE Syria Steering Committee	21-22 March Damascus	REMPEC (EC LIFE)	R. Patruno D. Domovic Consultant	to be issued by REMPEC
Third Meeting of CP/RAC National Focal Points	22-23 March Barcelona	CP/RAC	V. Macià F.S. Civili	to be issued by CP/RAC
Meeting of Experts on the Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme (SAP)	28-30 March (tentative) Catania	UNEP-MEDU	F.S. Civili F. Abousamra	to be issued by MEDU
National Training Course on Urban Water Resources Management	March Tunis (tentative)	PAP/RAC	J. Margeta	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Second Meeting of National/Legal Technical Experts to amend the Emergency Protocol	2-6 April Monaco	UNEP-MEDU REMPEC	L. Chabason R. Patruno H. Da Cruz	to be issued by REMPEC

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Meeting to discuss Criteria for Selection on Hot Spot Pre-investment Studies (GEF)	5-6 April Athens	WHO UNEP-MEDU	G. Kamizoulis F.S. Civili	to be issued by MEDU
MEDU Meeting with NGOs	19 April Barcelona	UNEP-MEDU	H. Da Cruz	to be issued by MEDU
Joint Meeting of National Correspondents in the Mediterranean of the CBD and the SPA Focal Points	20-21 April Valencia	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati C. Rais	to be issued by SPA/RAC
5th Meeting of the National Focal Points for SPA	23-26 April Valencia	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati	to be issued by SPA/RAC
Donors Meeting (GEF)	April (tentative)	UNEP-MEDU	GEF Coordin.	to be issued by MEDU
Expert Meeting on Coastal Erosion	April Split (tentative)	PAP/RAC	M. Prem	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Steering Committee of Free Trade Zone and Environment Group (MCSD)	April (tentative)	BP/RAC UNEP-MEDU	A. Hoballah G. Benoit V. Cistulli	to be issued by BP/RAC
Bureau Meeting of the Contracting Parties	3-4 May Cyprus	UNEP-MEDU (CYPRUS)	L. Chabason	to be issued by MEDU
NOWPAP MER/PAC Focal Points Meeting	7-12 May Qiantao, China	UNEP	R. Patruno (D. Domovic)	to be issued by NOWPAP
CAMP Malta Sustainability Analysis	15-16 May Malta	BP/RAC	E. Coudert	to be issued by BP/RAC
Working Group on Reporting System	Mid May (tentative)	UNEP-MEDU	L. Chabason H. Da Cruz	to be issued by MEDU
5th MCSD Steering Committee	18-19 May Monaco	UNEP-MEDU	A. Hoballah	to be issued by MEDU

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Date, Place</b>	<b>Organizer &amp; co-sponsor (co-sponsor in brackets)</b>	<b>Responsible Officer</b>	<b>Report Status</b>
National Training Session on Protected Areas Management	26-30 May Libya (tentative)	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati A. Ouerghi	to be issued by SPA/RAC
Meeting of MEDPOL National Coordinators	28-31 May Venice	UNEP-MEDU	F.S. Civili	to be issued by MEDU
National Training Course for OSC in Lebanon	28-31 May Beirut (tentative)	REMPEC	R. Patruno D. Domovic S. Micallef	to be issued by REMPEC
MCS D Free-trade Steering Committee Meeting	May (tentative)	BP/RAC	V. Cistulli G. Benoit	to be issued by BP/RAC
Expert Meeting on the Preparation of BP Environment and Development Report	May France (tentative)	BP/RAC	G. Benoit A. Comeau	to be issued by BP/RAC
Training Coordination Workshop on Posidonia Meadow Mapping and Monitoring	1-9 June Kerkennah, Tunisia	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati C. Rais	to be issued by SPA/RAC
National Training Course for OSC in Syria	2-6 June Latakia	REMPEC (EC LIFE)	D. Domovic	to be issued by REMPEC
Intercalibration Workshop on Microbiological Analysis	11-15 June (tentative) Athens	WHO UNEP-MEDU	G. Kamizoulis F.S. Civili	to be issued by WHO
Joint BP/PAP/ERS Focal Points Meeting	12-16 June Palermo (tentative)	BP/RAC PAP/RAC ERS/RAC MEDU	G. Benoit I. Trumbic M. Dussi A. Hoballah	to be issued by BP/RAC, PAP/RAC, ERS/RAC
Workshop on Industry and Sustainable Development/ MCS D	27-29 June (tentative) Barcelona	CP/RAC ICS/UNIDO UNEP-MEDU	V. Macià F.S. Civili	to be issued by CP/RAC

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Subregional Training Workshop on Erosion Desertification Control and Management	June Morocco (tentative)	PAP/RAC FAO	I. Trumbic	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Seminar on the Algerian National Contingency Plan	2-3 July Algiers	REMPEC	R. Patruno D. Domovic S. Micallef	to be issued by REMPEC
First Meeting of National Correspondents (SAP Biodiversity)	2-4 July Alicante	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati C. Rais	to be issued by SPA/RAC
Meeting Algeria-Morocco-Tunisia (sub-regional agreement)	4-5 July Algiers	REMPEC	R. Patruno D. Domovic S. Micallef	to be issued by REMPEC
Workshop on Urban Management and Sustainable Development/ MCSD	5-7 July Barcelona (tentative)	PAP/RAC BP/RAC	I. Trumbic	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Training Course MEDSTAT Environment (waste)	9 or 23 July	BP/RAC	J. Iotti	to be issued by BP/RAC
Training Session on Turtle Nesting Site Management	July/August (tentative) Lara, Cyprus	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati A. Ouerghi	to be issued by SPA/RAC
Meeting of MAP Focal Points	11-14 Sept. Athens	UNEP-MEDU	L. Chabason H. Da Cruz	to be issued by MEDU
MEDSTAT Environment Task Force Meeting	15 September	BP/RAC	J. Iotti	to be issued by BP/RAC
Meeting on Criteria and Standards for Recreational Waters	17-21 Sept. (tentative) Athens	WHO/ UNEP-MEDU	G. Kamizoulis F.S. Civili	to be issued by MEDU

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Instructive Seminar to determine the State of Art in Implementation of Economic Instruments in Mediterranean Countries (Training)	September (tentative)	PAP/RAC	D. Povh	to be issued by PAP/RAC
Meeting of National Operational Authorities of Cyprus, Egypt and Israel	September (tentative) Malta	REMPEC	R. Patruno D. Domovic	to be issued by REMPEC
National Training Course in Libya	September (tentative) Libya	RREMPEC (IMO/TCD)	R. Patruno D. Domovic	to be issued by REMPEC
7th MCSD Meeting	3-6 October Antalya	UNEP-MEDU	A. Hoballah	to be issued by MEDU
Regional Training Course MEDEXPOL 2001	October (mid.) Frankfurt, Germany	REMPEC (EC)	R. Patruno D. Domovic S. Micallef C. Sacco	to be issued by REMPEC
Training Course on Waste Water Management (GEF)	22-26 Oct. (tentative)	WHO UNEP-MEDU	G. Kamizoulis F.S. Civili	to be issued by MEDU
Conference on Mediterranean Marine Turtle	24-28 Oct. Rome	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati A. Ouerghi	to be issued by SPA/RAC
National Forum on Sustainable Development and Sustainable Use of Natural Resources in B&H	October (tentative)	ERS/RAC M.O in B&H	B. Vucijak S. Carnemolla	to be issued by ERS/RAC
Meeting of Experts on the Coastal Habitats	1-3 Nov. (tentative)	SPA/RAC	A. Hentati C. Rais	to be issued by SPA/RAC
12th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties	14-17 Nov. Monaco	UNEP-MEDU (MONACO)	L. Chabason H. Da Cruz	to be issued by MEDU

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Second Meeting of LIFE Turkey Steering Committee	November Ankara	REMPEC (EC LIFE)	R. Patruno S. Micallef	to be issued by REMPEC
Workshop on Implementation of Minimisation Opportunities Environmental Diagnosis (MOED)	November (tentative)	CP/RAC	V. Macià	<b>to be issued by CP/RAC</b>
Workshop on Pollution Prevention Opportunities on the Textile Industry	November (tentative)	CP/RAC	V. Macià	<b>to be issued by CP/RAC</b>
Review Meeting on Monitoring Activities	December (tentative)	UNEP-MEDU	F.S. Civili C. Beken	<b>to be issued by MEDU</b>
Meeting regarding the Assistance to Countries to develop their National Legislation and National Enforcement of Control Mechanisms in line with the Implementation of the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols and the adopted Protection Measures	to be decided	UNEP-MEDU	H. Da Cruz	<b>to be issued by MEDU</b>
Training Programme for National Officials on Environment and Institutional Issues, including Environmental Law	to be decided	UNEP-MEDU	H. Da Cruz	<b>to be issued by MEDU</b>
Second Meeting of Mediterranean Government designated Experts on Liability and Compensation	to be decided	UNEP-MEDU	H. Da Cruz	<b>to be issued by MEDU</b>

Meeting	Date, Place	Organizer & co-sponsor (co-sponsor in brackets)	Responsible Officer	Report Status
Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Emergency Protocol	December (tentative) to be decided by the Bureau Meeting Malta	UNEP-MEDU REMPEC	H. Da Cruz R. Patruno D. Domovif S. Micallef C. Galea	<b>to be issued by REMPEC</b>



## ANNEX III

### WORKPLAN AND PRIORITIES FOR MED POL

During the year 2001, MED POL will continue to operate along two main lines of work, marine pollution *assessment* and *control*, adapted and integrated for achieving **the main long-term objective** of the Programme which is the implementation of the SAP. The SAP in fact covers both assessment and control activities that by now explicitly or implicitly correspond to those included in the MED POL work plan.

The GEF Project's activities are also integrated into the MED POL work plan and will ensure the effective implementation of the basic action needed to build the basis for the long-term implementation of the SAP. Concerning the GEF Project, only the activities directly related to MED POL are included in the work plan here below.

The main expected **specific outputs** of the MED POL Programme during the year 2001 are:

- 1) The launching of a larger number of trend, compliance and biological effects monitoring programmes;
- 2) The launching of a capacity building programme for compliance;
- 3) Criteria and standards for bathing waters approved by Contracting Parties;
- 4) Guidelines approved by Contracting Parties for:
  - Brine discharge;
  - litter management;
  - disposal of fish waste;
  - disposal of platforms.
- 5) Guidelines for the preparation of PRTR
- 6) SAP updated and SAP operational aspects approved;
- 7) Initiation of activities related to river basin monitoring and management;
- 8) Contribution to the IG Meeting on GPA (Canada, September).

#### Assessment component

Seven countries have signed **national monitoring agreements** including trend and compliance activities. Work will continue for the finalization of agreements with all countries which will include the implementation of a capacity building programme covering direct assistance to countries, equipment and material, data quality assurance, intercalibration and training. A review meeting to discuss the problems related to the implementation of the monitoring activities is planned for the end of the year.

Trend and compliance monitoring **database** is being prepared to accommodate data from monitoring agreements. First trend monitoring data have been received from Cyprus, Slovenia and Turkey and others are expected early in 2001 from Albania, Croatia and Greece. Contacts have been made with institutions and scientists (in particular, the Black Sea, ICES and the other European Conventions' Secretariats) to make use of existing databases and to re-adapt the MED POL existing one. The final database, which will include formats for trend and compliance reporting, will be ready during 2001 and will be integrated into the MAP Reporting System being prepared.

The existing document which lists and describes the **Hot spots** is being revised in cooperation with the countries. A new updated document will be ready by April/May. The work will be carried out as part of the GEF Project.

A first draft document on the issue of **brine** discharges, including effects, legal implications and proposed measures was prepared by a consultant and its final version will be ready at the beginning of 2001. The document will be sent to MED POL National Coordinators for comments, revised accordingly, presented to MED POL Coordinators Meeting for approval, and transmitted to Contracting Parties for adoption. The legal justification for tackling the brine issue is both the Dumping and the LBS Protocols' provisions.

A questionnaire on marine and coastal **litter** was sent to all MED POL Coordinators during the year 2000. A consultant has been recruited to analyze the results and prepare an assessment of the situation as well as draft guidelines for the management of coastal litter. Negotiations are ongoing to have Italian authorities (ANPA or the University of Reggio Calabria) sponsoring one or two expert meetings. The assessment and the guidelines will be sent to National Coordinators for comments and approval before submitting them to Contracting Parties for adoption. The justification for tackling the litter issue was a specific request by the Contracting Parties. The output of the project will also be a contribution to the SAP requirements on the issue of solid waste management.

A contract with the Egyptian Agency EEAA covering six large industrial complexes in Alexandria is being finalized for the preparation of **PRTR**. The pilot project, which will be implemented at the beginning of 2001 with the technical assistance of ICS/UNIDO, will constitute a model for other countries. The project will also produce guidelines for the preparation of PRTR which will be sent to MED POL Coordinators for approval. The preparation of PRTR is part of the MED POL work plan approved in Malta.

Preliminary work has been carried out for the updating and revision of the **TDA** (Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis) in the framework of the GEF Project. A first revised draft table of contents was prepared.

MED POL is organizing in September, in the framework of the **CIESM** General Assembly, a workshop on environment and pollution emerging issues in the Mediterranean.

## **Control component**

Concerning marine pollution control and enforcement of legislation, a Meeting of the **Informal Network for Compliance and Enforcement** will be held in March 2001. The Meeting, co-sponsored by the Italian Agency ANPA, will contain an updating of the information on systems of inspection in Mediterranean countries and will propose the priorities for the formulation of a programme of capacity building as well as cooperative activities which will be presented to the MED POL National Coordinators for approval.

A regional programme of **capacity building** will be carried out for the managerial aspects of compliance, and in particular for sewage treatment plants operation.

The work of the European Commission on the finalization of **criteria and standards for bathing waters** is being followed. Following their decision, which is expected by the middle of the year, a meeting is planned aiming at finalizing Mediterranean standards and submitting them to Contracting Parties for adoption.

Concerning the **SAP**, information, comments and suggestions from Governments are being collated for the **updating** of the text. The new text will be prepared at the beginning of the year and submitted to all the institutional meetings of MAP for comments in order to finally present it to the Contracting Parties for adoption. As part of the updating of the text, a document is being prepared to describe the **operational aspects** for the long-term implementation of the SAP by the countries. It will include an institutional part and a technical part. A consultant is being recruited to develop further the institutional part, while the technical part will be prepared in house. Contacts have been made with the European Commission DGXI for the possible sponsoring of a Meeting of government experts to review and revise the document before submitting it to the MED POL Coordinators, Focal Points and Contracting Parties.

As a follow up to the enlargement of the coverage of the LBS Protocol to include the hydrographic basin of the region, during 2001 MED POL will gradually expand its field of activities to cover the **river basin management**. As part of the GEF Project, a regional guideline and a regional plan will be prepared for river pollution monitoring, reporting and data quality assurance.

A new up-to-date document which lists and describes the **sewage treatment plants** country by country has been prepared and is being published.

#### **Other activities**

Concerning the **Dumping Protocol**, two Guidelines have been prepared related to Art. 4 and 6 of the Protocol. The Guidelines, on the disposal of **fish waste** and **platforms** are being translated into French and will be sent to MED POL Coordinators for comments in January. The aim is to reach a consensus on their content at the MED POL Coordinators Meeting in May and transmit them to the Contracting Parties for adoption.

The final **evaluation of the existing MED POL data** related to heavy metals and pesticides in biota and sediments will be completed during the first six months of 2001. A document will be published during 2001 which will include a CD ROM with all the data available and will be widely distributed.

Concerning the **MCSD**, MED POL together with CP/RAC and ICS/UNIDO will work on the testing of the tools being prepared as part of the work of the Thematic Group on **Industry**. The tools will be presented at a workshop sponsored by CP/RAC in April and then presented to the next MCSD. In addition, MED POL is ready to cooperate with Blue Plan in updating and finalizing the **indicators** of marine pollution being prepared in the framework of the MCSD.

MED POL will assist the UNEP **GPA** Coordination Office in the preparation of the documentation for the First Intergovernmental Review Meeting on the implementation of the GPA, scheduled to be convened in Canada in September.

A proposal will be prepared for the Contracting Parties to suggest ways and means to follow the work of UNFCCC on **climate changes** and inform the Contracting Parties on the possible need for any work to be done in the Mediterranean region, based on the experience gained by MED POL in the past as well as on new developments related to the Kyoto Protocol.

MED POL will be involved as necessary in the work of the ongoing or new **CAMPs** which may be launched as part of MAP.

### **MAIN DOCUMENTS TO BE PUBLISHED IN 2001**


- MED POL 1975-1995 data evaluation with CD ROM
- Assessment of brine discharges and guidelines
- Marine and coastal litter management plan
- Operational aspects of the implementation of SAP
- Updated document on Hot Spots
- River monitoring manual
- Sewage treatment plants by country
- Guidelines for the disposal of fish waste
- Guidelines for the disposal of platforms
- Criteria and standards for bathing waters

### **CALENDAR OF 2001 MED POL MEETINGS**

Informal Network for Compliance and Control	15-17 March, Athens
Meeting on criteria for hot spots pre-investment studies	20-22 March, Athens
Expert Meeting on coastal litter	March/April, Italy
Workshop on Industry and Sustainable Development	April, Barcelona
Meeting on SAP Updating and Operational Aspects	28-30 March, Catania
MED POL National Coordinators Meeting	28-31 May, Venice
Intercalibration of microbiological techniques	11-15 June, Athens
Criteria and Standards for recreational Waters	17-21 Sept., Athens
CIESM/UNEP Workshop on emerging Issues	24-28 Sept., Monaco
Regional Training course for treatment plants management	22-26 October, ??
Review Meeting on Monitoring Programmes	December, ??

## ANNEX IV

### MCS D: TABLE OF MEETINGS, ISSUES, INTER-SESSIONAL ACTIVITIES, PREPARATION OF THE REGIONAL STRATEGY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT




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**EVALUATION**

EVALUATION OF RACS

- GENERAL :  
1. WORKPROGRAMME VS ACHIEVEMENTS  
2. RESULTS VS BUDGET  
3. MANDATE / TOR VS CONTEXT / DEVELOPMENTS  
4. RAC VS MAP & ENV. / SD IN MED
- PAP/RAC :  
(1) DONE, TO BE COMPLETED BY (3) & (4)  
(2) TO BE DONE
- BP/RAC :  
(1) TO (4) TO BE DONE
- ORGANISATION :  
PREPARATION : FEBRUARY (TOR, CONSULTANTS, STEPS)  
UNDERTAKING : MARCH-APRIL  
REPORT : MAY ..... JOINT FP, MAP NFP, CP




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**JOINT BP/ERS/PAP FP**

- 12-16 / 6 / 2001 , PALERMO ?
- INVITATIONS & ORGANISATION
- PARTICIPANTS
- REPORTS, PRE & POST, MERGING
- AGENDA : GENERAL, COMMON AND SPECIFIC ISSUES
- BUDGET : 4 X 20 000 \$



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- BROCHURE, LEAFLET, POSTER (SPECIFIC)
- LOGO
- INFORMATION KIT : GENERAL, YOUTH, MEDIA
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- INFO, AWARENESS, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION..... STRATEGY
- SPECIFIC STUDIES : TN, LB, HR, TR
- NATIONAL BROCHURES : AL, SY, MA, BA
- TRAINING/WORKSHOP : RACS & CP, EXPERTS



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**MAJOR MEETINGS**

- 7<sup>TH</sup> MCS D : TQ, ANTALYA, 3-6/10/2001  
STRATEGY SD, ORIENTATIONS...  
MCS D RECOMMENDATIONS : STRATEGY  
ON-GOING ISSUES  
NEW ISSUES
- EARTH SUMMIT II : WSSD  
MID-2002  
PREPCOMS  
UNEP (MAP)
- 8<sup>TH</sup> MCS D : ALGERIA, 2002



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**NEW ISSUES**

- IN-DEPTH .....7<sup>TH</sup> MCS D :  
COOPERATION SD  
AGRICULTURE  
WASTE
- WHY, HOW, WHO, PROGRAMME, OUTPUTS, ETC
- MATURATION :  
LOCAL MANAGEMENT  
ENERGY / TRANSPORT  
NATURAL RISKS  
ETC



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**INTER-SESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- ON-GOING ISSUES : WORKING GROUPS,  
WORKSHOPS
- MCS D RECOMMENDATIONS :  
FOLLOW-UP & IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY  
MAP, COUNTRIES, PARTNERS, .....7<sup>TH</sup> MCS D  
SUPPORT TO COUNTRIES, PARTNERS, RACS
- STRATEGIC REVIEW :  
FINAL  
SYNTHESIS



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**STRATEGY FOR S.D IN MED**

- ORIENTATIONS / FRAMEWORK  
3-4 CONSULTANTS : ECON/DEV, NAT.  
RES/ENV, INST/POL  
.....MCS D & CP 2001
- STRATEGY :  
EXPERT MEETING 2002  
WSSD 2002  
MCS D 2002  
MCS D 2003  
CP 2003 FOR FINALISATION



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**ANNEX V**

**MAP LOGO: PRESENTATION AND VARIOUS EXAMPLES OF ITS USE**