

MARINE STRATEGY FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE (MSFD) Regional Training

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Introduction of reference documents



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Background documents

- **Good Environmental Status (GES) - Background document**
- **Links between MSFD and other EU Directives - Background document**
- **HANDOUT 1 Key issues and messages for landlocked countries**
- **HANDOUT 2 MSFD Overview**



Reference documents (1)

- EU – MSFD doc
- JRC doc
- DOCIME2010 Commission Decision on criteria and methodological standards on good environmental status (GES) of marine waters - to facilitate a coherent and harmonious implementation of the MSFD within the EU.
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Reference documents (3)

- 1) **The Commission Decision on GES** which sets out specific criteria and indicators for each of the 11 GES Descriptors which Member States must follow when developing their national GES targets and indicators.
- 2) **The Common Understanding of Articles 8, 9 and 10** jointly drafted by the EC and Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Romania, Sweden and the UK. The document provides a common understanding of the development of the initial requirements of the MSFD in a comparable and assessment and GES characteristics and associated targets and indicators (Articles 8, 9 and 10) to aid Member States in implementing the consistent way.
- 3) **Informal guidance document on Economic and Social Analysis for the Initial Assessment** prepared by the **Working Group on Economic and Social Analysis**

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