

MARINE STRATEGY FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE (MSFD) Workshop

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Structure of the presentation

Task 2.3.4. WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive - objectives, synergies and approaches

Approach

Questionnaire no. 1

Discussion of the answers to the questionnaire no 1

Proposed actions

Lessons learned

Challenges

Priority actions.



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Questionnaire no 1 (3)

14. If you are a landlocked country there is any regional arrangement between the River Basin Organization and the Regional Sea Agreements ? **NO**
15. In case that there is an arrangement what kind of measures are foreseen within the River Basin District for the protection of the marine environment ?
16. From the following list of international and EU instruments which ones are used or similar policies are applied in your country?

Common Fisheries Policy
Common Agricultural Policy
Natura 2000 Directive
Birds Directive
Habitats Directive
Water Framework Directive
Nitrate Directive
UWWTD



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Key results: general considerations

A **cross national analysis of the current state of the affairs** in the water/marine sector, in the beneficiary countries – **Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina**, FYR Macedonia, Kosovo, **Montenegro**, Serbia, and **Turkey**, is an useful exercise contributing to:

- (i) an improved understanding of the shortcomings and challenges regarding institutional and legal arrangements, and also to
- (i) an enhanced acceptance of transboundary dimension and consequently of the international cooperation to provide solutions when dealing with joint program of measures, as part of **WFD and MSFD implementation process**.



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Results: legal framework (2)

Macedonia - is a landlocked country.

In the Law on waters are transposed EU directives which are important for protection of inland waters and marine waters (WFD, UWWTD, ND....). River basin management plans for the main rivers (VARDAR, Strumica and Blac Drin) are under preparation. Helsinki Water Convention as a tool for transboundary water cooperation, was ratified in august 2015.



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