

# MARINE STRATEGY FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE MSFD Workshop

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**Wrap up first 2 - days meeting**



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## Main discussed topics (1)

- Presentation and discussion of the results and outputs achieved at the MSFD Regional Training – Istanbul, Turkey, May 2015
- MSFD Initial assessment in the frame of MSFD reporting
- From Good Ecological Status (WFD) to Good Environmental Status (MSFD)
- Synergies between MSFD, WFD, other EU directives
- Challenges in the implementation of the PoM of MSFD and WFD
- Lessons learned from Romania on performing Initial Assessment in the frame of MSFD, the implementation of PoM related to WFD and MSFD, the CEA and the CBA applied for WFD and MSFD.



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## Main discussed topics (2)

- Eutrophication still a significant issue for coastal and marine waters
- State of play of PoM in the frame of MSFD & WFD. National and transboundary context
- Key type measures related to MSFD & WFD Program of Measures
- Cost Benefit Analysis in the frame of WFD/MSFD
- Synergies/Differences MSFD and WFD
- Exemptions under MSFD and WFD
- Public information consultation process in the frame of MSFD PoM in Romania
- Coordination of the MSFD at the regional level
- Financing issues in the frame of MSFD implementation
- Assessment of marine ecosystem services and link to the GES
- Implications of the GES, targets and criteria



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## Main discussed topics (3)

- Water initiatives in relation to MSFD: Monterey Agreement, Adriatic initiatives IPA cross border initiatives, several projects
- Danube strategy projects
- Funding sources and difficulties in ensuring co financing from local funds
- Difficulties to fund UWWTD, IPPC, Flood Directive
- Foreign assistance
- Funding flood protection, difficulties due to insufficient prepared feasibility projects and lack of data
- Incapacity to take loans by municipalities for funding water sanitation projects
- EU funding pilot mechanism sectoral
- Contingency planning in transboundary context.



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## Key points of discussion

1. How to reflect marine related topics in the WFD transposed water legislation for maritime countries and landlocked countries
2. Methodology for establishing water price and tariffs
3. Differences and role of environmental permit and license
4. Procedure for issuing permits
5. Role and content of the national implementation plans related to the implementation of UWWTD and DWD
6. Affordability in relation to the water price
7. Competent authority for implementing MSFD
8. Responsibility of preparing the PoM under MSFD
9. Funding sources to cover water the construction of sewages and wastewater treatment plants
10. Responsibility for implementing the MSFD.



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## Outcomes

Agreement on the results of compilation of national inputs for Questionnaire 1

Presentation and exchange of experiences through presenting inputs for Questionnaire 2

Improved knowledge on the approaches used for performing the Initial Assessment under MSFD

Clarification of main synergies but also differences and overlaps between the MSFD and WFD, and the GenS and GES

Exchange of experience in the preparation of the PoM under MSFD

Awareness improved on the necessity to ensure a reliable and complete database

Information on the reporting requirements for achieving the measures to reach the WFD and MSFD objectives

Improved understanding on economic issues for justification of derogations and exemptions.



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