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The biennium 2006-2007 was one of the most important in the history of PAP/RAC. This was largely due to a major event: the preparation of the draft text of the Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management. The Contracting Parties (CPs) to the Barcelona Convention, prompted by the impacts of the persistent process of coastal degradation in the Mediterranean, took the courageous decision in Portoroz in 2005 to make a crucial step further and to start drafting the final version of the Protocol. PAP/RAC and MEDU initiated the nomination of the national experts to form a Working Group (WG), and helped organise a series of its meetings. If adopted, as envisaged by the MSSD and the CPs decision from Portoroz, this Protocol will bring a new quality in the management of coastal resources of the region and help reverse the negative trend of coastal degradation. However, adopting the Protocol is primarily the act of a political will of the Mediterranean countries to make a paradigmatic shift in their efforts. Once in force, PAP/RAC will have a very specific and concrete mandate in its implementation.

The rest of the PAP/RAC activities that characterised this biennium were focused on the implementation of the MSSD and of the Operational SAP for ICZM, adopted in Portoroz in 2005. Both documents guided the Centre's activities in the field of ICZM. Here, the main projects were related to

sustainable management of coastal zones and to integrating environment and development. The CAMP projects are gaining more and more attention, which is an excellent proof that they are a good instrument of assisting countries in dealing with local issues in coastal zones. Some new topics were introduced, such as marine spatial planning, and the work on beach management, landscape management, sustainable tourism, land degradation, water resources management, as well as on capacity building, training and awareness components was continued. Many projects funded through external sources were active, where special mention should be made of SMAP III, LME, Destinations and PlanCoast projects.

The above brief review shows that PAP/RAC has been, as never before, committed to the integrated management of the Mediterranean coastal areas. It is still the major PAP/RAC orientation, and it will certainly remain so in the future. With these activities, this course has been well cemented. However, other PAP/RAC activities serve this purpose as well. Be it development of tools and techniques, information exchange and awareness raising, capacity building or, above all, practical demonstration projects – CAMPs, they all only prove that orientation towards ICZM has been a good choice in the past and that there are still too many tasks to be performed in the future.

The programme for 2008-2009 will revolve around the Protocol, the MSSD implementation and the Operational SAP for ICZM. They will be the focus of PAP activities, and significant steps forward in these two fields might be expected by the end of that biennium. The meeting in Palermo is expected to support such orientation.



This document presents a summary of PAP/RAC activities in the period 2006-2007. The report is structured according to the PAP/RAC work-plan given in its 2006-2007 Project document, which was adopted by the 14th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (Portoroz, 8-11 November 2005). These activities are the following:

- Developments in the legal framework
- Sustainable Management of Coastal Zones
- Integrating Environment and Development

In addition to this Progress Report, a complementary progress report on Other PAP/RAC Projects has been prepared. It gives a more detailed information on the activities undertaken and the outputs produced.

2.1. Developments in the Legal Framework

The Contracting Parties, at their 14th Ordinary Meeting in November 2005, took note of the draft text of the Protocol on ICZM prepared by the Secretariat in the previous biennium. They, therefore, affirmed the urgent need to halt and reverse the continuing degradation of the Mediterranean coastal zone through a process of integrated management. At the same Meeting the CPs adopted the

Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development (MSSD) where, in the Priority Field of Action 2.7 related to coastal zone management, the CPs committed themselves to adopt a new legal instrument for ICZM in the Mediterranean by 2007. To this end the CPs committed themselves to establish a Working Group (WG) of experts designated by the CPs to develop a draft text of the Protocol on ICZM with a view to its consideration and possible approval by the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties in 2007 and to convene a diplomatic conference for its adoption to be held immediately following the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties.

Activities of PAP/RAC, related to the assistance to the CPs in implementing their commitments on development of a draft **ICZM Protocol**.

By end February 2006, the Contracting Parties were invited to nominate legal/technical experts to represent them at the meetings of the Working Group. With the assistance and co-ordination of the Secretariat, the WG of experts was established prior to the initiation of the series of meetings of the WG. Also, as a preparatory activity for the first meeting, MAP and PAP/RAC Focal Points were asked to send to the Secretariat any proposals regarding the Protocol in writing. These were used, together with the previous documents on this issue, as background material.

In the reporting period the WG accomplished three meetings, and the fourth is planned for June 13-16, 2007. These are the following:

- The First Meeting of the WG of experts designated by the Contracting Parties, Split (Croatia) on April 27-29, 2006
- The Second Meeting of the WG of experts designated by the Contracting Parties, Loutraki, Greece on September 6-9, 2006
- The Third Meeting of the WG of experts designated by the Contracting Parties, Loutraki, Greece on February 12-15, 2007
- The Fourth Meeting of the WG of experts designated by the Contracting Parties is planned to be held in Split on June 13-16, 2007.

At the First Meeting of the Working Group (Split, April 27-29, 2006), the main objective was to discuss the objectives and the structure of the Protocol, and to review the text of the draft Protocol proposed by the Secretariat. Experts designated by 17 Contracting Parties attended the meeting. Present were also some of the Regional Activity Centres of MAP, and the observers from intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations (IOC of UNESCO, CIDCE, MAREVIVO and the Turkish Marine Research Foundation).



At the Second meeting of the Working Group (Loutraki, September 6-9, 2006) the participants from 14 countries and the EU were present. Also, several NGOs actively participated in the discussions. The experts progressed well on the articles, mainly of the Part II of the Protocol. Very constructive discussions and exchange of views on various provisions resulted in the changes that were reflected directly in the improved text of the draft.



At the third meeting of the Working Group (Loutraki, February 12-15, 2007) the representatives of all Mediterranean countries (except three) and the EU worked on the third part of the document, and then returned to those still open articles that needed more discussion and time for building consensus on the wording. In this way, the text was completely reviewed once again. In spite of this, there remained several articles that would need more efforts for harmonisation between the parties in order to come to a satisfactory agreement for everyone. The Group agreed to meet for the fourth time in June 2007. This meeting is planned to be held in Split.

In addition to these formal meetings of the WG, a number of small expert meetings took place. In general, after each of the meetings of the WG an expert meeting was held to review the outputs of the WG meeting and to plan the following one (Athens March 14-15, 2006; Athens, October 1, 2006; Athens, May 17, 2007).

After the third meeting of the WG, PAP/RAC contributed extensively to the production of the Issue 8 of the EcoMedia Magazine, prepared by INFO/RAC. This issue is devoted entirely to ICZM Protocol and includes, among others, interviews with some eminent ICZM experts, as well as opinions of some politicians. In addition to the above the protocol was presented largely at international conferences, meetings, workshops, and in many publications.

Outputs

- Report of the First Meeting of the Working Group of Experts Designated by the Contracting Parties on the Draft Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) in the Mediterranean (Split, Croatia, April 27-29, 2006); UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG.287/4.
- Report of the Second Meeting of the Working Group of Experts Designated by the Contracting Parties on the Draft Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) in the Mediterranean (Loutraki, Greece, September 6-9, 2006) UNEP(DEPI)/MEDWG.298/4
- Report of the Third Meeting of the Working Group of Experts Designated by the Contracting Parties on the Draft Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) in the Mediterranean (Loutraki, Greece, February 12-15, 2007) UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG 305/4

Expected activities

At the Working Group meeting in Split on 13-16 June 2007, the experts will have a critical task to finalise the text of the Protocol with as less 'open wordings' as possible. They are expected to continue their work on reviewing and drafting the final version of the Protocol. In particular, the WG should discuss and try to find consensus on the still open articles. Only in this way the Protocol would have enough chances to be adopted by the Mediterranean countries and the EU by the

end of this year, as envisaged. The meeting in Split will be preceded by a number of visits and meetings with representatives of Mediterranean countries. It is expected that the Protocol will be signed by the end of 2007 when it will enter the ratification process.



2.2. Sustainable Management of Coastal Zones

In the period 2006-2007, PAP/RAC implemented two groups of activities related to sustainable management of coastal zones:

- Integrated Coastal Area Management (ICAM)
- CAMP projects

Objectives of the activity set by the Contracting Parties¹:

1. To assist countries in the implementation of the Operational Action Plan for ICZM, including efforts to develop new types of CAMP projects.

¹ Report of the 14th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Portoroz, November 8-11, 2005) UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.16/13, Annex III

2. To pursue the development and implementation of ICZM tools and instruments, with particular reference to marine spatial planning, coastal information systems, environmental impact assessments and SEA in coastal environments, coastal erosion and risk management, economic instruments for coastal management, the assessment of carrying capacities for tourism, landscape management, beach management and integrated coastal area and river basin management (ICARM).
3. To support and assist the Contracting Parties in preparing their national and local ICZM strategies and programmes, in implementing ICZM tools, techniques and methodologies and in developing sub-regional ICAM initiatives.
4. To assist Albania, Croatia and Egypt to prepare their national reports on integrated coastal management.
5. To co-ordinate MAP activities in relation to CAMP projects, under the overall co-ordinating responsibility of MEDU.
6. To prepare CAMP feasibility studies, CAMP programmes and agreements, to implement ongoing and planned MAP CAMP projects.
7. To propose to countries where CAMP projects have been completed to introduce new and/or adapt existing instruments for environmental management and to assist those countries in preparing viable projects, which would enable the follow-up of CAMPs.



8. To continue institutional strengthening and capacity building of national and local institutions by means of traditional and internet-based training courses (MedOpen), the exchange of information on ICZM through the clearing-house mechanism, the maintenance of the informative web-site, the publication and dissemination of guidelines, thematic papers, programme results and other achievements.
9. To strengthen existing and seek new partnerships in the region and mobilise existing resources at the international level for the implementation of ICZM and sustainable development in coastal regions.



2.2.1. Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM)

Activities of PAP/RAC, related to Objectives 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9

2.2.1.1 Beach Management in the Mediterranean

In the frame of the beach management activity, PAP/RAC prepared Terms of Reference and signed a contract for the preparation of the "Beach Management Guidelines Applicable to the Mediterranean Region". The work is in progress and the draft text of the guidelines will be submitted for comments to the participants of the workshop to be organised in Malta in the beginning of July 2007.



Output

- Draft of the Beach Management Guidelines Applicable to the Mediterranean Region

Expected activities

On the basis of the comments provided by the participants at the workshop in Malta (July 2-3, 2007), the final text will be produced and the guidelines published by the end of the year 2007.

Expected outputs in 2007 include the preparation of the draft Guidelines, its finalisation and translation in French.

Beachmed project

The general objective of the Beachmed project is the characterisation and the improvement of technical and administrative instruments for a strategic management of the coastal defence in the frame of sustainable development of the Mediterranean coastal zones. PAP/RAC is involved as a partner in the sub-project related to ICZM-MED, whose main objective is to promote the ICZM in different Mediterranean pilot sites in five regions of three Mediterranean countries (Greece, Italy and France), and to contribute towards the setting up of a Mediterranean and local integrated management strategy. PAP/RAC participated in the Beachmed meeting in Genoa, Italy (February 8, 2007) where PAP/RAC involvement in the project was defined. PAP/RAC task is to assist in integrating results and to ensure the liaison



with MAP and other Mediterranean countries, as well as with important outputs like the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development, and the draft ICZM Protocol.

2.2.1.2 Coastal Erosion and Risk Management

In agreement with the EU, it was decided to consider the possibilities of using the results of the EUROSION project in the Mediterranean countries. The main objective was to define a strategy of erosion combating in the Mediterranean in the near future. PAP/RAC organised the expert meeting "Towards Mediterranean Regional Strategy on Coastal Erosion: Benefiting from the EUROSION Project" in order to identify the parts of the EUROSION project that could be applied in the Mediterranean and to prepare an appropriate programme of activities. The



meeting was organised in Nicosia, Cyprus, on March 16-17, 2006. It was attended by experts from 11 countries and the EU. At the meeting three case studies were presented: Coastal erosion in Cyprus; Beach erosion management in Spain; and Local authority approach to coping with the severe cliff erosion in Netanya, Israel. Also, short presentations on coastal erosion in Albania, Egypt, France, Italy, Morocco, Montenegro and Israel were given.

Also, PAP/RAC participated at the 3rd Meeting of the Intergovernmental Co-ordination Group for the North-East Atlantic, the Mediterranean and Connected Seas Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (NEAMTWS) organized by UNESCO's Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) in Bonn (Germany) on February 7-9, 2007. The Centre took an active role in the Working Group which was concerned with the advisory, mitigation and public awareness measures, in particular the integration of the vulnerability assessment in the ICZM process.

Output

- Report of the Expert Meeting "Towards Mediterranean Regional Strategy on Coastal Erosion: Benefiting from the EUROSION Project" (Nicosia, March 16-17, 2006)

Expected activities

Continuation of some of the coastal erosion activities will be implemented within the framework of the Conscience project (see below).



Conscience project

PAP/RAC is involved in the Conscience project as a partner. The project is implemented under EU 6th FP with Delft Hydraulics, Netherlands, as the Lead Partner. Its strategic objective is to develop and test concepts, guidelines and tools for the sustainable management of erosion along the European coastline, based on best

available scientific knowledge and on existing practical experience. PAP/RAC co-ordinates the End-User Advisory Group to guarantee optimal communication between the scientists working in the project and the end users.

2.2.1.3 Marine Spatial Planning

The need for the introduction of marine spatial planning was elaborated in various MAP, EU and other international documents such as EU Marine Strategy, and was accordingly reflected in the PAP/RAC work programme. This is undoubtedly an emerging issue in many countries because of the inappropriate use of the marine space causing conflicting situations. Experience from some other regions shows similar trends, and some actions have been put in practice already in the Baltic Sea, the Irish Sea, and the North Sea. Integration of sea and land planning in coastal zone, as well as co-ordination of related uses is a key component of ICZM.

In addition to participation of PAP/RAC as a partner in the PlanCoast project (see below), the Centre initiated the preparation of a short overview of the spatial planning systems in the Mediterranean countries with particular stress on marine spatial planning in the framework of ICZM. Six Adriatic countries, involved in PlanCoast, prepared an extensive analysis of the spatial planning systems in their countries, whereas all other Mediterranean countries were invited to prepare a brief report on this topic.





Expected activities

On the basis of the inputs from the Mediterranean countries that will submit brief reports on marine spatial planning a regional overview of the situation in this field will be prepared and presented at the Conference on marine spatial planning in Split, September 20-21, 2007

PlanCoast project

PlanCoast is an INTERREG IIIB CADSES project aiming to develop the tools and capacities for an effective integrated planning in coastal zones and marine areas in the Baltic, Adriatic and Black Sea regions (16 partners from 11 countries). PlanCoast has the following objectives: to introduce a completely new spatial planning instrument, Marine Spatial Planning; to link ICZM with the processes of statutory spatial planning in the selected number of pilot projects; to spread the use of modern geographical information systems (GIS) for an effective transnational planning; and to contribute to the implementation of European policies and national strategies on coastal zones and marine areas.



PAP/RAC was the initiator for the involvement of all Adriatic countries in the project and was very successful in the nomination of partners. PAP/RAC contributes to PlanCoast with its expertise in studying the completely new field of spatial planning of marine areas, i.e. maritime spatial planning, in the Adriatic Region by analysing the current

legal basis, procedures and processes. Furthermore, it will promote the role of spatial planning in ICZM in general and discuss the topic of maritime spatial planning in particular, and contribute to raising the awareness and influencing planning policy and procedures throughout the Mediterranean countries. On the basis of the national reports for all six Adriatic countries, a Synthesis Report on marine spatial planning and ICZM will be prepared. The results will then be presented at the 3rd PlanCoast meeting in combination with the Conference on Marine Spatial Planning to take place in Split, Croatia, on September 20-21, 2007. Invited will also be all other Mediterranean countries with the aim to exchange the experience and disseminate the results within the Mediterranean region.



During 2006 a number of preparatory activities for the project took place, such as the finalisation of project details of the project proposals (description of activities, work plan, etc.). PAP/RAC participated at the kick-off meeting that took place in Ancona, Italy on July 13-15, 2006. The ToR for national reports on current policies, legal bases and procedures of role of spatial planning within ICZM were prepared, consultants nominated and the contracts signed. Comments on draft national reports were provided, and the reports are expected to be finalised before summer 2007. The Centre participated in the sub-regional meeting for the Adriatic partners that took place in Kotor, Montenegro, on

March 26-27, 2007, and the second PlanCoast conference held in Constanta, Romania, on May 31 – June 2, 2007. Provided were the inputs for the PlanCoast web site (www.plancoast.eu). PAP/RAC participated in two informative meetings for CADSES projects, organised by the contracting authority, i.e. EC Delegation in Croatia.

Outputs

- Draft Report on current policy, procedures, legal basis and practice of marine spatial planning in Croatia
- Draft Report on current policy, procedures, legal basis and practice of marine spatial planning in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Expected activities

- By end May the draft Reports on current policy, procedures, legal basis and practice of marine spatial planning in Albania, Italy, Montenegro and Slovenia will be completed, and all six reports, including Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia that have already submitted the draft report, finalised
- A synthesis report will be prepared on the basis of all these six reports
- A Report on marine spatial planning to include theoretical insight, state of the art and experiences of marine spatial planning globally, and recommendations on how to integrate marine spatial planning in the framework of ICZM
- Editing, printing, and dissemination of the documents

- Organisation of the Conference on marine spatial planning in Split, September 20-21, 2007
- Participation in the 4th PlanCoast Conference, Berlin, on November 21-23, 2007, and in the Final Conference, Schwerin, Germany, on April 3-4, 2008

2.2.1.4 Landscape Management

An expert meeting was organised by PAP/RAC on January 9-10, 2006 in Dubrovnik, Croatia. The Report of the meeting, attended by 17 participants from 8 countries, summarises several concrete proposals for this PAP/RAC activity. In the months that followed two case projects were launched in order to put in practice landscape management methodologies and tools, to serve later as the basis for training and guidelines to be prepared. These are the projects in Tunisia and Croatia, namely, "Characterisation of landscapes in Tunisian coastal areas", and "Revitalising of the agricultural landscape on the Island of Korcula, Croatia". First draft reports were submitted in December 2006 and comments and suggestions for the improvement of the reports were provided. Prior to the submission of the draft reports a workshop was organised in Korcula by the consultants, as well as a field visit of Tunisian coastal areas (Cap Bon in particular) by the other team of experts.

Outputs

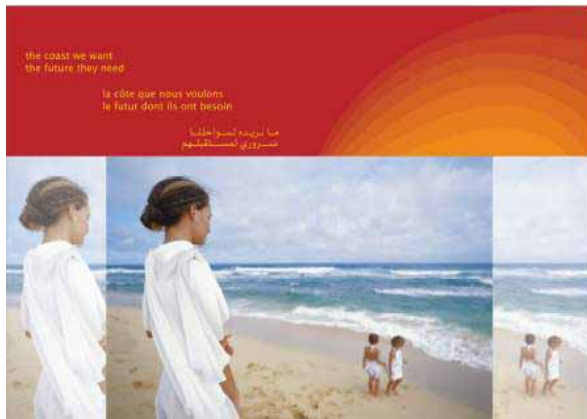
- Report of the Expert Meeting on Landscape Management in the Mediterranean





(Dubrovnik, January 9-10, 2006)

- Report of the project "Revitalising of the agricultural landscape on the Island of Korcula, Croatia, in English and Croatian
- Draft Report of the project "Characterisation of landscapes in Tunisian coastal areas", in English



Expected activities

The report "Revitalising of the agricultural landscape on the Island of Korcula" will be prepared for copying and dissemination. The report "Characterisation of landscapes in Tunisian coastal areas" will be first edited and translated in French, and later prepared for copying and dissemination. Both reports will later serve as the basic inputs for a training course on landscape management methodologies, as well as for the guidelines to be produced at a later stage of this activity.

2.2.1.5 National Reports on ICAM

The objectives of the national reports are to present the characteristics of the coastal areas of a specific country, the pressures to which they are exposed, the activities that the country is undertaking in order to manage their coastal areas and to evaluate possibilities for a more efficient ICAM. In the reporting period, a national report for Croatia was under preparation by national consultants and with the assistance of the Centre. The draft report was submitted and comments provided by PAP/RAC. It is envisaged to complete this report by the end of this year when it will be formatted, published and disseminated to the

concerned partners. Due to limited financial resources allocated for this activity the work on two other reports, namely for Albania and Egypt, have not started yet.

Output

- Draft Report on ICZM in Croatia

Expected activities

By the end 2007 it is expected that the Report on ICZM in Croatia will be finalised, printed and disseminated.

2.2.1.6 SMAP III MAP/METAP Project

The project "Promoting Awareness and Enabling Policy Framework for Environment and Development Integration in the Mediterranean with Focus on Integrated Coastal Zone Management" is carried out under the SMAP III umbrella. Its geographical scope covers 10 SMAP eligible Mediterranean countries: Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Jordan, Israel, the Palestinian Authority (the West Bank and Gaza), Lebanon, Syria and Turkey. The Project partners are PAP/RAC, BP/RAC and the World Bank/METAP.



The project will last for 3 years, starting in early 2006. Within the overall objective of the SMAP III, it will contribute to the improvement of the enabling environment in beneficiary countries by strengthening the partnership between the EU/SMAP, MAP and the World Bank in order to ensure

the proper allocation of resources and sustainable implementation of the SMAP III.

The project consists of two components, namely: the first relating to coastal zones, implemented by PAP/RAC and METAP; and the second relating to the environment and development, implemented by the BP/RAC and METAP. A specific objective of the component where PAP/RAC participates is to promote awareness on the value and state of the coasts, and to provide support to the project countries in strengthening and modifying the existing national-level enabling environment, including policy, institutional and legislative framework.

A particular attention is dedicated to establishing linkages between this project and other SMAP III ICZM projects, as well as with other on-going ICZM activities, through integration of activities, workshops, sharing human resources and jointly implementing the Awareness Raising Campaign. The main purpose of the above-stated activities is to increase efficiency, create synergies and avoid overlapping.

Outputs

- Project Implementation Manual, in English and French
- Strategic Guidance for Preparation of ICZM Policy Brief, in English and French
- ICZM Marketing Strategy
- 2nd co-ordination meeting report
- A Guide to Preparation and Implementation of Coastal Awareness Survey, in English and French
- ICZM Policy Brief folder, in Arabic, English and French
- ICZM Policy Brief and Background document for Morocco
- SMAP III ICZM for Mediterranean leaflet, in English and French
- Project web page at PAP/RAC web site
- Coast Day bilingual web site <http://www.coastday.org>
- Coast Day leaflet, in English and French

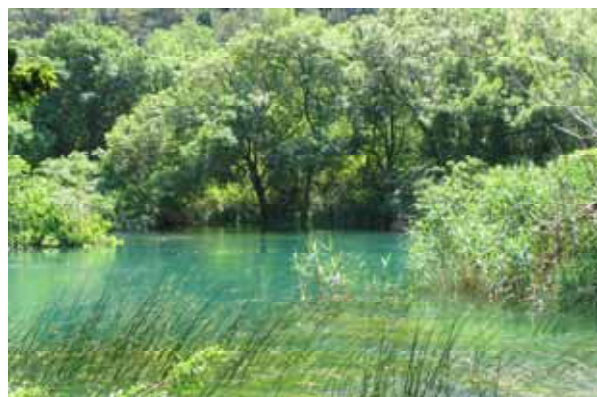
- Report of the Workshop to present and discuss ICZM policy brief (Rabat, May 8 2007)

Expected activities

- By end 2007 the remaining ICZM Policy Briefs will be prepared and presented, and related briefing will be done for national teams
- Awareness raising strategy will be elaborated, and a regional ICZM Policy Workshop will be organised, tentatively in Jordan in September 2007
- The Coast Day campaign will be organised with the central celebration during the previously mentioned workshop
- A TV advert will be prepared and run on national TVs of the countries involved in the project

2.2.1.7 GEF Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean Large Marine Ecosystem – Regional Component (PDF B)

The GEF Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean Large Marine Ecosystems consists of a Regional Component and an Investment Fund. The main objective of the Regional Component of the Strategic Partnership is to promote and induce policy, legal and institutional reforms aimed at reversing marine and coastal degradation trends and living resources depletion, in accordance with what had been agreed by the countries in the SAP MED and SAP BIO, to be reflected in their NAPs. The GEF Secretariat has approved a PDF B phase of the project in order to develop a Full Size Project.





PAP/RAC role in the PDF B phase of the project was to collect the existing information on development and implementation of ICZM policies, approaches, institutions, laws and tools in GEF eligible countries. This has been reviewed and analysed. On the basis of this information sub-regional policy briefs for relevant Adriatic countries, Maghreb countries, Mashrek countries and Turkey were prepared. A two-day expert meeting was organised in April 2006 to identify the priority actions for ICZM in the eligible Mediterranean countries. An ICZM section of the Full Project Brief was drafted for submission to GEF for financing. Possible sources of co-financing for the activities of the full project were identified. The Terms of Reference were drafted for an expert assessing the countries' needs in the strengthening of planning and management capacities for ICZM at national and local levels.

Outputs

- Strategic Overview of national ICZM issues (Albania, Algeria, Croatia, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Montenegro, Morocco, Palestinian Authority, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey)
- Sub-regional ICM Policy Briefs (Eastern Adriatic Sub-region, Maghreb Sub-region, Mashrek Sub-region and Turkey)
- Report of the Expert Meeting to Identify Priority Actions for Integrated Coastal Management in the Maghreb, Mashrek, Adriatic Countries and Turkey (Split, April 25-26, 2006)

- ICZM section of the Full Project Brief
- Draft assessment of countries' needs in strengthening of planning and management capacities for ICM at national and local levels and the development of a methodology for the selection of demonstration projects for effective management of coastal areas

Expected activities

The implementation of the Project in 2007 is pending approval by the GEF Council.

2.2.1.8 Integrated Coastal Development Study and Plan for the Albanian Southern Coastal Region

The Government of Albania is developing, with the assistance of the World Bank, a Programme for Integrated Coastal Zone Management and Clean-Up (ICZMCP). The Integrated Coastal Development Study and Plan (ICD Study and Plan) is a strategic arm of ICZMCP. The ICD Study and Plan is based on the evaluation of the socio-economic potential of the Southern Coastal Region and the sensitivity of its coastal, marine and terrestrial ecosystems. It was originally seen as a follow-up of the CAMP Albania project where PAP/RAC accumulated lots of experiences. PAP/RAC has been implementing the ICD Study and Plan with the assistance of SOGREAH (France) as a consortium partner. The Albanian counterpart was the Ministry of Territorial Adjustment and Tourism (after the elections in July 2005 it was renamed into Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunications),



while the World Bank offered significant financial and technical assistance.

The main purpose of the project was to: evaluate the existing situation and identify the sensitive areas of the territory and their development potential; ensure sustainable development of the coastal municipalities; reconcile conflicting interests for preserving and revealing its uniqueness; propose a strategy, policies and programmatic plan of the planned area; provide the basis for the implementation of GIS as an effective tool for the development of monitoring and management control.

The major outputs of ICD Study and Plan are the Inception, Interim and Final reports. However, there has been a substantial delay in implementing the ICD Study and Plan project, primarily due to elections, which occurred amidst the project. Also, the host government failed to provide adequate guidance on resolving some crucial issues imminent to preparing a meaningful Plan that would enable a more sustainable development of the Southern Albanian Coast. Consequently, the host government and PAP/RAC agreed to amicably terminate the contract.

Outputs

- Interim report (Phase II) ICD Study
- SEA Report for the Albanian Southern Coastal Region
- Draft Final Report on ICD Plan

2.2.1.9 Capacity Building

MedOpen

MedOpen is an Internet-based open training course on ICAM in the Mediterranean (MedOpen; <http://www.medopen.org/>). It consists of the Basic and Advanced courses. It is available in three languages, English, French and Arabic.

The first run of the Advanced MedOpen course in French was officially closed on May 3, 2006. In total, 16 candidates

participated in the advanced course, and six were awarded the MedOpen Certificate. About 50 candidates completed the basic course. The certificate was handed over to the participants who successfully completed the four main tasks of the course: twelve quiz tests, participation in the Simulation Game, participation in the Forum and submission of the final paper. The basic course is permanently available to all those interested in Integrated Coastal Area Management. The English version of the basic course is available at <http://www.medopen.org> and the French version is available at <http://www.medopen.org/fra/>.

With the assistance of SMAP RMSU and PAP/RAC translation of the basic and advanced courses in Arabic was carried out by the Centre for Environment and Development for the Arab Region and Europe (CEDARE). Thirty-five candidates followed the first run of the course in Arabic. CEDARE implemented the second run where 198 participants from most of the Arab Mediterranean countries participated. The basic MedOpen course in Arabic has proved to be a very successful initiative. It is the first e-learning course on ICZM in Arabic. The European Commission is financing ArabMedOpen.





Educom@Med

PAP/RAC is a partner in the Educom@Med project, founded by the EU under the Tempus Programme. The overall objective of the project is to create and implement a new curriculum for a postgraduate course in Coastal Management for the Mediterranean region. The course is based on five main modules. PAP/RAC, in addition to the contribution of the overall structure of the course and the preparation and implementation of the simulation game, is responsible for the preparation and organisation of the field-based component of the programme. The aim of the field-study is to introduce participants to the practical application of coastal area management projects on the ground.



Several co-ordination meetings took place during the reporting period. From June 7-9, 2006 the co-ordination meeting of the Educom@Med project was held at the University of Split. PAP/RAC and other project partners participated in the meeting where the programme curriculum was reviewed, as well as the modules layout. The participants were introduced to e-learning platform and sessions' development tools. On September 20-22, the co-ordination meeting was held at UPO Seville. Representatives of the partners, namely, the University of Seville, the University of Venice, the University of Split, the Faculty of Economics and PAP/RAC participated at the meeting. On this

occasion, the programme curriculum, as well as the modules of the programme, were reviewed. During the module presentation, ideas for integration were discussed and action points for the partners developing the modules defined. The course started in February 2007.

Outputs

- Report of the co-ordination meeting (Split, June 7-9, 2006)
- Field trip programme – PAP/RAC component of Educom@Med course

Expected activities

PAP/RAC will be responsible for organising the field study component of the study. The experiences and lessons learned from CAMP Slovenia will be introduced and presented to the students in the Slovenian coastal area in September 2007.

PAP/RAC Clearing House

Clearing House (CH) has been constantly updated, according to its categories (projects, calendar of events, funding guide, books, research reports and articles, education opportunities, list of experts, etc.). In order to introduce some new technological solutions on CH web-site, a proposal for CH redesign and restructuring was made. The idea is to make CH more attractive, functional and informative. Currently, a web design consultant is working on the redesign and restructuring of the CH web site.



In addition, the idea to produce a regular PAP/RAC "Med alert" newsletter was proposed. The "Med alert" will inform the relevant stakeholders about the current events and issues in the domain of ICZM and alike in the Mediterranean. "Med alert" will consist of 3 or 4 article abstracts, which, at the request, could be bought from the source specified at the bottom of each article. It will be sent to addresses contained in the PAP/RAC e-mailing list twice a month, with the possibility of expanding the list of subscribers. In this way, "Med alert" is hoped to raise awareness on ICZM in the Mediterranean.

PAP/RAC Web Site

The PAP/RAC web site www.pap-thecoastcentre.org was redesigned and restructured. These improvements made the site more user-friendly and informative. The information on the site has been constantly updated with regular news, meetings, introduction of new activities, updating of existing ones, job opportunities, reports/documents and alike.

PAP/RAC Library

The PAP/RAC library has been regularly updated with relevant publications, books and other documents. Acquisition list is available on the web site, which is updated quarterly. Leaflets to promote some of PAP/RAC projects were reprinted and widely distributed at all occasions in order to disseminate and exchange web-available information. In addition, an extensive photo library, as an archive of photographs from various Mediterranean countries and projects, has been prepared. This is a very useful tool shared by all experts in the Centre.

Internships

PAP/RAC is increasingly getting requests to provide internship for the Mediterranean students in PAP/RAC ICZM subjects. During this period, several students had their internships with PAP/RAC.

2.2.1.10 The Adriatic Sea Partnership (ASP)

The Adriatic Sea Partnership (ASP) was launched at the MAP sub-regional conference on the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development, held in Portoroz, on June 5-6, 2006. As of the beginning of 2007 all Adriatic countries have joined the partnership, as well as several international organisations, including UNEP-MAP, CP/RAC, INFO/RAC, PAP/RAC and REMPEC. The First meeting of the ASP took place in Sarajevo, on April 3, 2007. Representatives of the five Adriatic countries of the Partnership, as well as representatives of other partners, such as REC, IUCN, Adricosm, and PAP/RAC, attended the meeting. The meeting discussed fundamental topics of the Partnership, including the legal status of the partnership, the institutional structure and functioning of the ASP, the different roles of the countries and other partners, the main objectives and projects to be implemented in this framework and alike. Also, the representation of the ASP and its contribution to the Environment for Europe conference to take place in Belgrade was on the agenda. In this way, the new Partnership aims at better and more co-ordinated actions for the protection and management of common problems in the Adriatic Sea Region.

PAP/RAC participated at the Partnership meetings and contributed with its ICZM experience and knowledge about the situation in the Adriatic, as well as with the relevant MAP documents, commitments and information on the main projects. The Centre contributed with comments and suggestions to a paper on the Adriatic ecosystem and its preservation through various organizations and initiatives which is currently under preparation.



2.2.2.

CAMP Projects

Activities of PAP/RAC related to Objectives 5, 6 and 7

CAMP "Algerian Coastal Zone", Algeria

CAMP Algeria was concluded at the Final Presentation Conference held in Algiers on 30 January 2006. It was attended by some 200 participants representing various stakeholders, namely ministries, regional and local authorities, governmental institutions, NGOs, MAP and its RACs, and international environmental organisations working in the CAMP area. The importance of this project that proposed a strategy for the protection and a better management of the Algiers coastal area was underlined by the Minister of the Physical Planning and Environment. Precisely, an extensive diagnostic analysis of the situation in several priority fields, accompanied by a participatory definition of sustainability indicators, led to a proposal of a concrete action plan intended to improve the environmental conditions in the CAMP area. This action plan was articulated in 19 objectives and related activities: 8 for the urban development control; 3 for the water resources and liquid waste management; 3

for the solid waste management; 4 for the protection of natural and cultural sites; and 1 for the governance improvement.

The Final Integrated Report of the CAMP was presented to the Council of Ministers for examination and approval. Moreover, this CAMP served as a model for starting two similar projects in other parts of the Algerian coast, i.e. Annaba and Oran, where similar strategies will be prepared. All this raises hopes that this successful CAMP, which started to produce effects already during its lifetime, will have a successful and secured follow-up.



After the conference, the text of the Final Integrated Report was revised and slightly amended, and the report of the conference



prepared and disseminated to all the interested persons and institutions. Also, the report was prepared for the MAP Technical Report Series, printed and disseminated.

Outputs (Listed are only those produced in this biennium)

- Programme d'Aménagement Côtier (PAC) de la zone côtière algéroise: Rapport final intégrée, Février 2006;
- Rapport de la conférence de clôture du Programme d'Aménagement Côtier de la zone côtière algéroise (Alger, les 30 et 31 janvier 2006), Alger – Split, février 2006.

Lessons

The timeframe of the project was too short and non-realistic, especially given the number of activities and the extent of the area covered, while the course of the project was affected by the strong dependence on official approvals of all the events by the Minister. However, this had positive effects because the project was well integrated in the system and was receiving the Minister's support in every sense, including a financial contribution largely exceeding the one originally envisaged in the CAMP Agreement.

At the beginning, problems occurred with regard to some national consultants who



were not accustomed to the teamwork or ICZM way of thinking. Insisting on monthly co-ordination meetings among national project teams and frequent co-ordination

meetings with PAP/RAC staff and/or consultants, was one of the keys of the success of this CAMP.

Another element that influenced the quality of the CAMP results was the choice of international consultants, who have proved to be highly professional and responsible, and have worked as a well synchronised and motivated team.

CAMP Slovenia

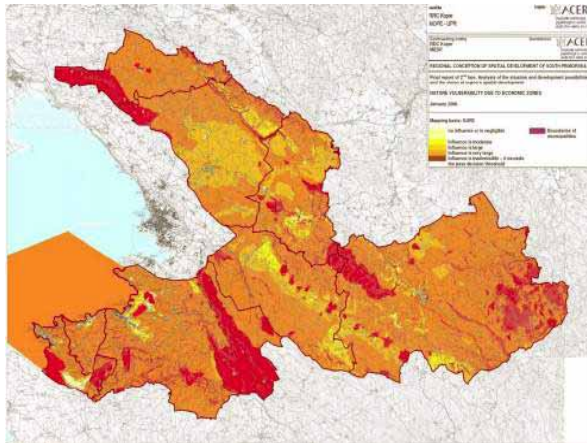
The CAMP Slovenia project was in the full-scale implementation phase during the reporting period and will be concluded in June 2007. All the project activities have been completed. The Final Integrated Report is currently under finalisation and will be presented at the Final Presentation Conference to take place in June 2007.



The activity "Regional Conception of Spatial Development" was one of the most important CAMP activities, closely linked to the legal procedures of spatial planning legislation. The Law on Spatial Planning was under revision during the project implementation, and consequently caused unexpected delays. There was also some uncertainty related to the unspecified methodology for SEA by MoE requested for such regional plan. However, the completion of this major activity was discussed several times at the MoE, and solutions were found in order to overcome this problem and complete this major activity. In spite of this, all these activities and results were well integrated in the



Regional Development Programme for 2007-2013, which was in preparation in parallel to the CAMP activities in the Primorska region. This showed a good level of co-ordination among the various ministries at the national level and administration at local communities, as well as other institutions responsible for economic development and environmental protection, which resulted in harmonised and well elaborated CAMP outputs.



Regular meetings with the local communities, the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning and consultants were convened by the National Project Co-ordinator. Outputs of most of the individual activities were submitted for revision to the members of the Project Committee, and their comments were regularly presented at the Steering Committee Meetings, which instructed the Team Leaders on the necessary improvements.

Outputs

- Regional Programme of Environment and Water Resources Protection – Final Report
- Sustainable Tourism Development Strategy of the South Primorska Region – Final Report
- Detailed Spatial Planning Conception of The Coastal Area – Final Report
- Conception of Spatial Development of South Primorska; and the Programme of Measures of its Implementation – Phase

2 + Analysis of Spatial Vulnerability and Attractiveness – as Annex to Phase 2

- Concept of Spatial Development of South Primorska; and the Programme of Measures of its Implementation – Final Report
- Programme of Public Participation, Training and Promotion in CAMP Slovenia – Final Report
- Regular activity reports of the National Project Co-ordinator
- Web-site in English and Slovenian
- Draft Final Integrated Report

Expected activities

Currently, the Final Presentation Conference is being organised, scheduled for June 20-21, 2007, including the preparation of the Final Integrated Report. After the conference the Report of the Final Conference will be prepared, as well as a report to be published within the MAP Technical Report Series.

Lessons

Procedures for the preparation of the Regional Conception of Spatial Development were linked to the formal procedures requested by the Law on Spatial Planning, including public participation, involvement of municipal councils (eight all together), and therefore all the formalities were also much more time consuming than envisaged. The same was with the institutional co-ordination of this CAMP that has the Project Committee (40 members) and the Steering Committee (approximately 25 members), both with specific duties. On the other hand, all these assured better integration of the project activities into various national schemes, better involvement of stakeholders and the public, which resulted also in better implementation and use of the results, as well as the follow-up activities.

Most of the CAMP activities, and in particular those related to regional spatial development, were prepared in parallel and

in close co-ordination with the preparation of the regional development programme 2007-2013. Therefore, the harmonisation took place at various levels and the organisational structure used for the preparation of both plans was the same.

As this organisational structure has proved to be a successful one, although established temporarily for this project only, it is proposed to formalise it to become a permanent body at the regional level. This is also the main objective of the CAMP Spain project where such a co-ordination structure is envisaged to be established by the CAMP project.

During the project implementation many other activities related to the topics dealt with in the CAMP emerged, such as PlanCoast project or PolyDev project, both being Interreg III B CADSES projects of the EU project.

The main problem related to reporting was translation in English as the original language is Slovenian. The time needed for the translation was much longer than originally envisaged, which caused some delays in reporting.

The idea of PAP/RAC to increase the financial contribution from the CAMP countries in order to improve the ownership of the project and to increase the chances of the follow-up activities has proved very useful in the Slovenian case. This was the case also in the CAMP Algeria where we experience a better use of the CAMP outputs, and that will be the case in other up-coming CAMP projects, too.

CAMP Cyprus

Currently, the project is in the full implementation phase. The Inception Workshop of the CAMP Cyprus was held in January 2006 with over 60 participants representing RACs, MEDU, national government officials, various national experts and other stakeholders. Regular CAMP Steering Committee meetings have been organised to monitor the progress of

the CAMP implementation. The procedure for the selection of the national experts engaged in the CAMP has been successfully concluded. In September 2006 contracts were awarded to six national experts.



The ICAM Methodology activity started with a two-day workshop in October 2006 presenting and discussing the key elements and principles of the ICAM Methodology and relevant international, European and Mediterranean experiences. The Second ICAM Methodology activity workshop was held in January 2007 identifying policy gaps towards ICAM in Cyprus as well as main areas of concern regarding tourism, water, agriculture, land-use planning, sea-use and land-use interactions, etc. Also, a draft report on the ICAM Methodology was discussed in order to allow the key results of other CAMP activities to be included under this umbrella activity.

Some basic information on the CAMP Cyprus and several relevant outputs have been put on a trial web-site of the CAMP Cyprus.

In order to contribute to the public participation process and make ground for pilot project activities several meetings were organised with the representatives of the village councils in the Larnaca Pilot Case Study area (Pervolia, Meneou, Kiti and Dromolaxia). The CAMP Cyprus National Co-ordinator and Task Manager participated in a bi-communal conference on coastal management in Cyprus in March 2007.



April 2007 was marked by the start of the second phase of the CAMP, which is to complement the underlying ICAM methodology activity with the ICAM tools activities: Environmental Economics, Tourism Carrying Capacity Assessment, and Strategic Environmental Assessment.

On February 16, 2007 a mid-term review meeting on the CAMP Cyprus was co-organised by the Cypriot Ministry for Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment, and PAP/RAC. The CAMP activities' Team Leaders, the CAMP Task Manager and the national experts participated in the meeting as well. Detailed information on the CAMP work programme accomplished so far was presented, an agreement was made with the team leaders and national experts on the expected final achievements of the CAMP, and the follow-up actions until the termination of the CAMP were discussed.

Outputs

- Report of the CAMP Cyprus Inception Workshop (19-20 January 2006)
- Report of the Workshop on ICAM Methodology activity within the CAMP Cyprus (30-31 October 2006)
- Interim Activity Document (ICAM Guidelines Document); January 2007
- Draft Final Activity Document (proposed ICZM strategy Document); April 2007
- First report on Tourism Carrying Capacity Assessment (CCA)
- Report of the Mid-term review meeting of CAMP Cyprus (Nicosia, 16 February 2007)
- Trial web-site of the CAMP Cyprus
<http://www.moa.gov.cy/moa/agriculture.nsf/All/04B9487405A22B96C2257149002957C9?OpenDocument>

Expected activities

- Within the ICZM activity, the Draft Final Activity Document (proposed ICZM strategy) will be presented at the

Workshop, planned for May 2007, and will later be finalised and submitted.

- Several consultant missions in order to define the CCA needs, pilot case studies, guidelines and a workshop are envisaged within the CCA activity. The final document with proposals for the incorporation of CCA in the national policy and institutional framework will be produced.
- The Pilot Application Case Study Document on the use of Environmental Economics (EE), showing the scope and limitations of EE in Cyprus, together with the related workshop and the preparation of the Final document "Strategy for Application of EE in Cyprus" with proposals for the incorporation of EE to the national policy and institutional framework are envisaged.
- Within the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) activity, guidelines, a case study, a workshop and the Final Document with proposals for the incorporation of SEA to the national policy and institutional framework will be prepared.

Lessons

The process of tendering and recruiting of the national experts took much longer than envisaged. The delay is related to the demanding national legislation for such procedures.

Government officials undertaking the CAMP are mostly mid-level civil servants. They easily communicate and exchange information with top-level decision-makers, which should make policy reforms envisaged by the CAMP easier to achieve. MAP RACs contribution to the CAMP is valuable and mostly in line with the Government expectations. International experts brought to the CAMP international experience and relevant innovative theories and practices. The national experts possess appropriate qualifications and experience.

The CAMP Task Manager is a strong focal point of the CAMP, managing successfully to co-ordinate and negotiate among all the parties involved.

The CAMP visibility is very high in the national governmental and intergovernmental bodies. Some additional efforts are needed (and have already been proposed) to share the CAMP ownership with public in general and with some specific stakeholder groups. Exchange of information among the Government, MAP RACs, international and national experts should also be somewhat strengthened.

Since its inception the CAMP has been tailor-made and constantly reshaped to the requests of the host country government for some policy and institutional reforms that would contribute to the effective coastal zone management. However, there is still no consensus on what the final output of the CAMP should be - a National Policy Statement on ICAM, a Code of Conduct on ICAM, a Coastal Law or some legal amendments in several coast-relevant laws. CAMP activities and outputs have been well structured to comply with any such request, but the Government should come with their proposal soon enough so that contributions of all CAMP activities may be properly incorporated in the final output.

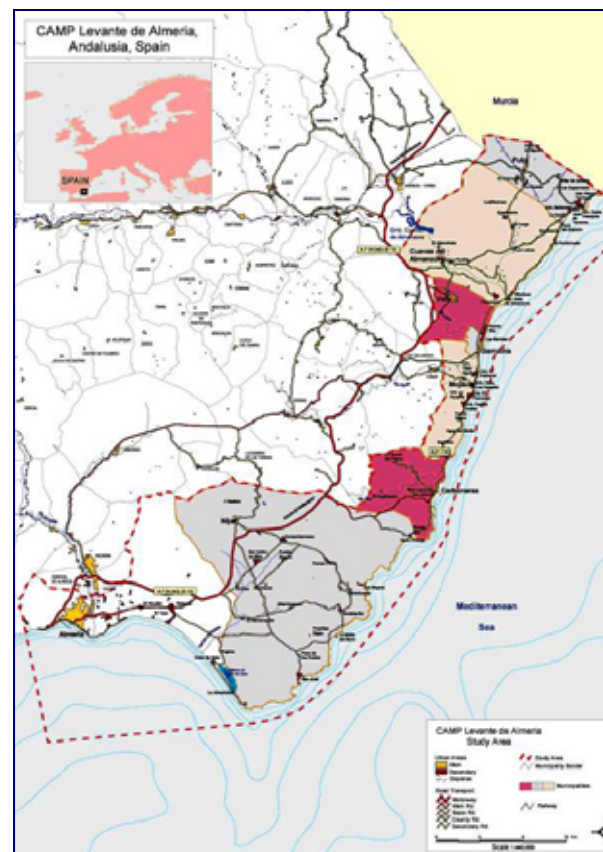
CAMP "Levante de Almeria", Spain

In early 2006, after the completion of the Feasibility Study for CAMP "Levante de Almeria", Andalucia, PAP/RAC started to prepare the Agreement for this project in collaboration with the Spanish counterparts. On the occasion of the CAMP Algeria Final Conference (end January 2006), a delegation of the Regional Ministry of Environment of Andalucia and the PAP/RAC consultant for the preparation of the Agreement were present, and a meeting with PAP/RAC took place to discuss the details of the Agreement. By the mid-March 2006 the final text was sent

to the national Ministry of Environment for final approval. It was expected that by summer 2006 the Agreement for the CAMP "Levante de Almeria" would be signed, but the translation of the text into Spanish and revision of the Agreement by the International Legal Advice Office of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation were more time consuming than originally envisaged. On several occasions PAP/RAC tried to speed up the process, but due to some legal aspects the Agreement was pending its signature. Also, the recommendation of this Office was to convert the Agreement into a MoU and to separate the financial clauses from this document. Currently, the MoU and the related financial agreement between the Spanish authorities (national, regional) and MAP are being finalised.

Output

- Final draft text of the project Agreement in English, translated to Spanish.





Expected activities

As soon as the MoU is signed all the preparatory activities for the CAMP should commence. By end 2007 the nomination of the Project co-ordinator and preparation of the Inception Report should be the main activities.

Lessons

Legal inspection of the Agreement by the International Legal Advice Office of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation was a very time consuming process, delaying the signing of the document and project launching.



CAMP Morocco

This CAMP is in a preparatory stage, i.e. after the Diagnostic Analysis had been completed the preparation of the Agreement was the main focus in this CAMP. Upon request of the Moroccan Ministry of Physical Planning, Water and Environment (MATEE), a "Prior-to-CAMP" Workshop was organised in Fes on February 14, 2006. The main objectives were to sensibilise the relevant local actors to the preparation of CAMP in the coastal area of Al Hoceima (Central Rif), to introduce the ICAM approaches and the benefits of formulation and implementation of CAMP in this area. Participants were from different institutions of the Tanger-Tétouan and Al Hoceima region, from the central ministry and relevant scientific institutions. The workshop allowed the local actors to

express their views and positions with regard to the future CAMP and to define activities to be implemented in this frame. These suggestions and comments were taken into account when formulating the Agreement.

The first draft of the Agreement was sent to the Moroccan authorities for comments in July 2006. Their comments and some additional information regarding national financial contribution reached PAP/RAC by the end of the year.

Finalisation of the Agreement including negotiations with other RACs is currently on going. At the request of the Moroccan ministry, CAMP was presented and discussed at the national SMAP III meeting with high-level decision makers to be held in Rabat on May 7-8, 2007. Prior to the SMAP meeting a working meeting of PAP/RAC and Moroccan representatives was held to finalise the Agreement.

Outputs

- PAC-Maroc: Rapport de l'atelier de sensibilisation et de préparation (Fès, le 14 février 2006), Février 2006;



- Projet d'Accord relatif au Programme d'Aménagement Côtier pour la zone côtière du Rif central (Maroc).

Expected activities

The Agreement is supposed to be signed before the summer this year. Later, the arrangements for the project implementation (nomination of national co-

ordinator, consultants, etc.) are envisaged, and should be followed by the preparation of technical specifications for individual CAMP activities (autumn) and of the Inception Report (end of this year).

Lessons

It was envisaged that the CAMP Agreement would be finalised and signed by the end of 2006. Since the national counterpart informed us that the national contribution could only be in kind, the Agreement had to be revised and modified as far as the activities and budget are concerned. Re-negotiating the Agreement postponed its signature and the beginning of CAMP activities. However, this situation is positive in view of the implementation of another PAP/RAC project on sustainable tourism development, the so called "Destinations" project, which will in this way be better integrated with the CAMP activities.

CAMP Montenegro

In accordance with the decision of the Contracting Parties at their Ordinary Meeting in Portoroz (November 2005) to start preparatory activities for the CAMP project in Montenegro, PAP/RAC organised a meeting in Split on December 18-19, 2006. The main objectives of the meeting were to discuss the issues related to coastal zone management in Montenegro, to get acquainted with the gaps and the need for CAMP and to discuss the next steps in the preparation of the project. One of the main conclusions was that as soon as the Montenegrin Ministry nominated a consultant for the preparation of the Feasibility Study for CAMP Montenegro, PAP/RAC would make the relevant contract. PAP/RAC will also provide for the Terms of Reference and some case studies to facilitate the preparation of the report.

On this occasion, some other related topics were also discussed, such as the preparation of the National ICZM Strategy

for Montenegro, preparation of the legislation on the definition of the set back zones in coastal areas and alike. During the weeks that followed this meeting PAP/RAC provided comments to the draft National ICZM Strategy and assisted Montenegro in organising a workshop to discuss the definition of the set back zones. PAP/RAC provided two experts on this matter to participate at the meeting.



Output

- Report of the Meeting on the Initiation of ICAM Activities in Montenegro, held in Split on January 18-19, 2007.

Expected activities

The end 2007 envisages the preparation of the relevant TOR and contract for the preparation of the Feasibility Study.

CAMP Italy

On the occasion of the Second Meeting of the WG for the preparation of the ICZM Protocol in Loutraki (September 6-9, 2006) the first ideas for the CAMP Italy were exchanged with the Italian delegation. In this way the preliminary talks for this project were initiated and some documents related to the formulation and implementation of CAMP provided. Examples of already completed CAMPS were also given to the Italian delegates. It is expected that a formal proposal to implement the CAMP in Italy will be presented at the relevant MAP meetings.



2.3. Integrating Environment and Development

Objectives of the Activity set by the Contracting Parties²

1. To support the MCSD working group on local management and sustainable development.
2. To assist the Contracting Parties in their endeavours to implement the MCSD's recommendations on urban management and sustainable development through the development of appropriate urban management tools and instruments, further developing the methodology for urban regeneration.
3. To promote the use of carrying capacity assessment as a tool for the sustainable development of tourism, through the enhancement of the capacity of Mediterranean national and local institutions, and to continue providing technical assistance.



4. To provide support to local authorities for the implementation of guidelines for the sustainable management of urban water resources (Guidelines for Integrated Urban Water System Management in Coastal Areas of the Mediterranean).

² Report of the 14th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Portoroz, 8-11 November 2005) UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.16/13, Annex III

5. To continue activities related to land degradation management and to establish new partnerships with international and regional organisations and institutions in this field.

2.3.1. Support to the Implementation of the MSSD

In the Priority Field of Action 2.7 of the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development (MSSD) the main objective related to integrated management and development of coastal zones is the adoption of a new legal instrument for ICZM in the Mediterranean, i.e. ICZM Protocol. PAP/RAC, in relation to this objective, put all its efforts in the continuation of the preparation of the draft Protocol. This included the nomination of the WG and organisation of the WG meetings envisaged in order to present the final text of the Protocol to the CPs in 2007.

PAP/RAC has been active in the implementation of other ICZM related recommendations, particularly with respect to the best use of the EU/SMAP programme. The details of the SMAP III project that is under responsibility and overall co-ordination of PAP/RAC "Promoting Awareness and Enabling a Policy Framework for Environment and Development Integration in the Mediterranean with Focus on Integrated Coastal Management" were specified above.



2.3.2. Tourism Development Harmonised with the Environment

Destinations project

PAP/RAC was successful in getting the grant for the application of the project entitled Destinations to the EU financial scheme LIFE – Third Countries. The Grant between EC and PAP/RAC was signed in September 2006 and the project will be implemented between February 2007 and November 2009. Besides PAP/RAC which is the Lead Partner, the other partners involved in the project are Info/RAC and the Mediterranean Programme of WWF/MedPO in Rome, as well as three national partners from the Maghreb countries where the project will be implemented, namely Algeria (Ministry for Physical Planning and Environment – MATE), Morocco (Ministry for Physical Planning, Water and Environment – MATEE) and Tunisia (Agency for Protection and Management of Coastal Areas– APAL).



Several preparatory meetings took place after the project was approved. On December 4, 2006 the PAP project co-ordinator assisted to a meeting in Algiers with the representatives of LIFE-Third countries and MATE. This was an opportunity to discuss various practical aspects of the project implementation. Early in 2007 the public tender for recruitment of consultants was announced.

Also, preliminary contacts were made with Tour Operators' Initiative (TOI) for sustainable tourism development, which has shown interest in this project. Since TOI offices are in the WTO building in Madrid, the information was forwarded to WTO officials who are ready to support the project. PAP/RAC representatives attended the kick-off meeting of LIFE projects held in Brussels on March 19-20, 2007. After that the organisation of the three national kick-off meetings started, including the preparation of a leaflet. The first kick-off meeting took place in Tunis on May 10-11, 2007.



With this project, PAP/RAC has enriched the 'seed money' allocated for the Sustainable Tourism activity within the MAP work programme. The EU project will allow the Maghreb countries and PAP/RAC to analyse much more thoroughly the carrying capacity for tourism and to achieve more objectives than in the case if only MAP resources were available. Among the main outputs of the project is the strategy related to development of tourism in the three pilot areas selected by the national partners, and the creation of the demonstration centres for the use of various instruments of environmental management (EMAS, ISO 14001, EU Ecolabel and alike).

Outputs

- The complete project proposal as submitted to the EC
- The project leaflet



- Report of the kick-off meeting for the Destinations project (Tunis, May 10-11, 2007)

Expected activities

The second kick-off meeting will take place in Algeria on May 20-21, 2007. Tentatively, the kick-off meeting for the Destinations project in Morocco is scheduled for June 19-20, 2007 in Al Hoceima. The implementation of the activities, according to the project work programme, will follow these initiation meetings.

2.3.3. Water Resources Management

The document "Guidelines for Urban Water System Management in Mediterranean Coastal Areas" Volumes I and II was edited and printed. The text of the Volume I was translated in French and is being prepared for printing.

This activity also contributes to implementing the MSSD orientation on improving integrated water resource and demand management.



Outputs

- "Guidelines for Urban Water System Management in Mediterranean Coastal Areas" Volumes I and II, both in English, and Volume I in French

Expected activities

The end of 2007 envisages a translation and printing of the Guidelines Volume II in French. Also, a regional workshop to

present the Guidelines (in English) is tentatively scheduled for October 2007 in Split. Both publications, once printed, will be disseminated and will also be published at the PAP/RAC web-site for download.

Nostrum project

PAP/RAC is a partner in the Nostrum-DSS project, funded by the EU under the Sixth Framework Programme. This is a Network on Governance, Science and Technology for Sustainable Water Resources Management in the Mediterranean. The main objectives of the project are to contribute to the achievement of improved governance and planning in the field of sustainable water management, by establishing a network between the science, policy, and civil society spheres, by fostering active involvement of the relevant stakeholders, and through the development and dissemination of Best Practices Guidelines for the design and implementation of Decision Support System (DSS) tools for IWRM in the Mediterranean Area.



PAP/RAC edited the National Report on Assessment of Water Management Practices, Use and Needs for Croatia that was prepared in 2005, and disseminated it to the stakeholders in the country. Also, during the biennium, PAP/RAC has acted as a dissemination office for all the newsletters and informative documents received by the Lead Partner and distributed them to the Croatian stakeholders.

PAP/RAC participated at the Science and Policy Workshop that took place in Bari, Italy, on February 15-16, 2007. The objective of the workshop was to discuss the draft Guidelines for DSS design and implementation, as one of the main outputs of the project. The Final Dissemination Conference of the project will take place in September 2007, in Cyprus.

2.3.4. Soil Erosion and Land Degradation

A watershed in Cap Bon, Tunisia, was chosen for the application of the PAP-FAO consolidated methodology for soil erosion control. This particular watershed was chosen to complement two other PAP/RAC activities that are being carried out in the Cap Bon region, i.e. landscape typology as one of the thematic studies under landscape management activity and activities under the "Destinations" project. Although independent and financed from different sources, these activities are complementary and we could say that these three projects form a sort of a small CAMP for this region.

The mapping phase of the project was carried out in 2006. Draft maps and a report were prepared by the Tunisian team and submitted to PAP/RAC in December 2006. These were examined by a PAP/RAC consultant who found them of a very good quality and needing only minor adjustments.

Immediately after the submission of the final documents of the first phase, a contract was signed with the Tunisian team and PAP/RAC consultant for the second phase, i.e. the formulation of a programme for combating soil erosion and of a technological package needed. This second phase will result in a consolidated document including a summary of the results

of the first phase and proposals of measures to be taken to prevent or reduce erosion processes in the Oued Lebna watershed.

PAP/RAC keeps good contacts and collaboration with FAO and UNCCD on the issues related to land degradation and desertification. In July 25-27, 2006, PAP/RAC participated in the Regional Meeting for Northern Mediterranean, Central and Eastern European and other Affected Parties in Preparation to the 5th Session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the UNCCD (CRIC 5), Bonn, Germany. The main objective of the meeting was to present country reports on the implementation of the UNCCD and to prepare inputs for the CRIC5. On the basis of these reports and the discussions that followed, recommendations were drafted. PAP/RAC activities in the field were presented. Also underlined were the objectives of the MSSD related to rural areas, poverty, desertification, and some specific provisions from some MAP Protocols (such as LBS) and findings from the Environment and Development Report.

Output

- Application des Directives CAR/PAP pour la formulation d'un programme de gestion de contrôle de l'érosion et de la désertification: Cas du bassin versant de l'Oued Lebna, Décembre 2006

Expected activities

- The work on the second phase related to prevention or reduction of erosion processes in the Oued Lebna watershed should be finished by September 2007.
- The Photo-Library on Soil Erosion Processes; Pictorial annex to the Guidelines for Mapping of Erosion Processes will be reprinted at the request of FAO.





3. Proposal of Recommendations and Programme for 2008-2009

The major goal of the Priority Actions Programme is to support the implementation of the Barcelona Convention and its protocols, which aims at protecting the environment and contributing to the sustainable development of the Mediterranean Sea Area. The Priority Actions Programme is specifically concerned with sustainable development of coastal areas and coastal regions of the Mediterranean Basin, by promoting the Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) as a major tool to achieve the Convention's goals.

Policy guidelines to the PAP/RAC programme are embedded in the following:

- Barcelona Convention and its protocols that are adopted and/or ratified;
- the forthcoming Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean, which was negotiated on the basis of the recommendation of the 14th Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Portoroz, 8-11 November 2005);
- Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development (MSSD), its Chapter 2.7. "Promoting sustainable management of the sea and coastal zones and taking urgent action to put an end to the degradation of coastal zones", in particular section on the integrated management and development of coastal zones;
- MAP Phase II;

- Recommendations of the MCSA on ICZM; and
- Operational Strategic Action Plan for ICZM in the Mediterranean.

The PAP/RAC programme for the biennium 2008-2009 will be predominantly concerned with the implementation of activities related to ICZM. This will remain the core of the Centre's activities, something that has made PAP/RAC recognizable not only in the Mediterranean but all over the world as well.

However, the role and position of PAP/RAC will be significantly changed once the **Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management** will be signed. The negotiation process is reaching its final stages and there are very good signs that the Protocol will be signed by the end of 2007. This fact will require restructuring of the Centre's activities, since a "sub-programme" related to the Legal Component will have to be expanded in order to respond to the requirements of the Protocol's implementation. To that end, immediately after the signing of the Protocol, the action plan for its implementation will have to be drafted. However, although the Protocol has not yet been signed, and the action plan for its implementation has not yet been prepared and adopted, the PAP/RAC 2008-2009 programme of work will have Protocol in its programme and budget, albeit not on a large scale.

The large majority of PAP/RAC activities in the coming biennium will be related to the implementation of two major components: Integrated Coastal Zone Management, and Coastal Area Management Programme (CAMP). These two activities have become the “brands” of PAP/RAC. They continue to attract plenty of interest by the Contracting Parties. New subjects in ICZM will be introduced reflecting, thus, new concerns of the Contracting Parties. The objective is to assist countries to deal with the emerging issues in the Mediterranean coastal Areas, such as risk of global changes, marine spatial planning, financing sustainable coastal development, ICZM marketing, etc. CAMP projects are a successful exercise of MAP, where PAP/RAC takes the leading role. New projects will start, while several other are in the pipeline.

PAP/RAC also continues to attract external sources of funding for the projects that complement its “regular” activities. Thus, in the coming biennium it will be among the major partners in large projects, such as EU SMAP III, which is aimed at awareness raising on ICZM in the south of the Mediterranean and, if the project will be approved, the Regional Strategic Partnership of the Large Marine Ecosystem in the Mediterranean. In addition, PAP/RAC will participate in a number of smaller projects as a partner.

The PAP/RAC 2008-2009 programme of work will be divided in the following sub-programmes:

- Legal Framework;
- Integrated Coastal Zone Management; and
- Integrating Environment and Development.

Legal Framework

Policy Relevance	Activities/ Planned Actions	Expected Outputs	Responsibility (Essential tasks for Parties, MAP components, other Partners)	Indicators of Achievements/ Effectiveness	Related Initiatives/ Partnership	Budget	
						2008	2009
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Barcelona Convention ▪ MSSD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implementation of ICZM Protocol (Article 28 of the Protocol) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Action Plan for the implementation of the Protocol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MAP Coordination Unit: support in the development and adoption of the Action Plan ▪ Other MAP Components: support within their field of expertise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Action Plan prepared, discussed and adopted ▪ Priority activities implemented 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MAP Coordination Unit ▪ MAP Components 	MTF	Ext
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Integrated Coastal Zone Management

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Barcelona Convention ▪ MSSD ▪ Operational SAP for ICZM ▪ ICZM Recom mendations of the MCSD ▪ MAP Phase II ▪ ICZM Protocol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Co-ordinating role; implementation of ICZM activities in Cyprus, Morocco and Spain; ▪ natural resources management; ▪ participatory programmes; ▪ capacity building; environmental assessment; ▪ CCA for tourism; ▪ preparation of ICZM strategies, programmes and plans; ▪ implementation of economic instruments for coastal zone management; ▪ integration of activities; preparation of final integrated reports; ▪ preparation of bankable projects as a follow-up of CAMP activities; ▪ preparatory activities for CAMP projects in Montenegro and Italy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Feasibility study (FS) for CAMP Italy ▪ CAMP Agreements for Montenegro and Italy ▪ Inception reports and related workshops in Montenegro and Italy ▪ Individual activities reports (water resources, tourism, plans, strategies, EI) ▪ Regular progress reports of National Coordinators ▪ Final Integrated reports ▪ Final Presentation Conference in Cyprus ▪ Follow-up programme ▪ MAP Technical Report Series for CAMP Slovenia and Cyprus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MAP Coordination Unit: overall supervision ▪ Other MAP Components: support with their field of expertise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FSs prepared ▪ Agreements signed ▪ Activity reports submitted ▪ Participatory programmes implemented ▪ Final integrated reports finalised ▪ Final Presentation Conferences held ▪ MTS Reports prepared and published 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National teams of experts ▪ Project Steering Committees ▪ Other MAP Components ▪ Other external institutions/ organisations/ donors 	MTF	EC
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Capacity building of stakeholders in CAMPs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Training courses and workshops ▪ Capacity building initiatives ▪ Participatory programmes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Relevant MAP Components: support with their field of expertise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of training courses/ workshops organised ▪ Number of participants, diversity of stakeholders present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Training courses and workshops organised in cooperation with other partners (FAO, UNESCO, UNCCD, METAP, etc) 	Ext	Ext

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Barcelona Convention ▪ MSSD ▪ Operational SAP for ICZM ▪ ICZM Recom mendations of the MCSD ▪ MAP Phase II ▪ ICZM Protocol 	<p>Assistance to Mediterranean countries in application of ICZM and ICARM methodologies and development of tools and instruments for ICAM - marine spatial planning, SEA, coastal hazard assessment and risk management, ecosystems approach in coastal management</p> <p>Assistance to Mediterranean countries in preparing their national reports on coastal management</p> <p>Application of landscape management methodologies and tools in Mediterranean coastal areas</p> <p>Update and improvement of the Regional Clearing house mechanism for documentation, information dissemination and awareness on coastal area management initiatives in the Mediterranean countries</p> <p>Financing sustainable development of coastal areas: methodological approaches and "state-of-the-art" in the Mediterranean countries' practice</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Report on the current state of the planning systems ▪ Methodology for application of ecosystem approach in coastal areas ▪ Methodology for the risk vulnerability assessment in coastal areas ▪ Guidelines for the implementation of SEA in coastal areas ▪ National reports on ICZM in Egypt and Albania ▪ Thematic studies applying different methodologies ▪ Synthesis Report on all thematic studies implemented ▪ Redesign and restructure of the web site ▪ Updating of existing information ▪ Introduction of new components ▪ Report on the state of different methodologies used in the Med countries, including recommendations on how to improve the current approaches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Other MAP Components with relevant expertise ▪ Countries providing information on the current planning systems and their shortcomings ▪ International organisations ▪ Countries will provide relevant information ▪ Other MAP components ▪ Countries providing updated information on ICZM topics, projects and issues ▪ Countries providing information on the current methodologies and approaches used, and their shortcomings ▪ Other MAP Components with their relevant expertise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of countries participating in the analysis ▪ Number of reviews prepared ▪ Expert meetings ▪ National reports prepared, printed and disseminated ▪ Report on the thematic study prepared ▪ Synthesis report prepared ▪ Restructured Clearing House web site is operational ▪ Number of visitors to the site and number of requests, downloads ▪ report prepared ▪ number of countries involved in the analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SMAP III, EU Interreg (PlanCoast project), GEF (Large Marine Ecosystem Partnership), LIFE Third Countries (Destinations project) ▪ IOC (risk) ▪ Council of Europe 	MTF	EC
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Barcelona Convention ▪ MSSD ▪ Operational SAP for ICZM ▪ ICZM Recom mendations of the MCSD ▪ MAP Phase II ▪ ICZM Protocol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ICZM educational activities: ▪ Preparing for the new run of Educom@med; ▪ development of an ICZM tool kit; ▪ ICZM marketing; ▪ Implementation of the MedOpen internet-based training course on ICZM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New run of MedOpen course in English and French ▪ Training documents, case studies, selection of candidates, helpdesk, discussion groups, basic and advanced courses, examinations ▪ Update of new Educom@Med Programme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Partners of Educom@Med project; tasks according to the project agreement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of students involved and completed the basic and advanced MedOpen course. ▪ Training material prepared. ▪ New Educom@Med programme approved 	Educom@Med project partnership		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of SMAP project on raising awareness and enabling implementation of activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Policy Briefs and related leaflets Regional ICZM Workshop ▪ Coast Day ▪ TV advert Regional policy workshop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ BP/RAC and METAP: implementation of joint activities according to the MoU ▪ National NGOs: support / organisation of the Coast Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Representation of high level stakeholders at the workshops ▪ Number of countries where the TV advert is shown ▪ Number of participants at the Coast day initiatives 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of ICZM activities of the "Regional Component of Large Marine Ecosystem Project" (Implementation is pending approval by the GEF Council) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Demonstration projects ▪ Assistance in the implementation of ICZM Protocol Preparation of national ICZM Strategies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National counterparts; tasks designated according to ToR ▪ METAP ▪ Other MAP Components 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional workshop to discuss and adopt the good practices guidelines on beach management in the Mediterranean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Final text of the Guidelines translation into French, ▪ printing, dissemination 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of copies printed and disseminated ▪ Implementation of the Guidelines in practice (feed back from the countries) 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional workshop to propose measures to improve spatial planning in Mediterranean coastal areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Workshop report ▪ Recommendations on the measures for improvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Countries providing feed back information on the usefulness of the measures proposed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of stakeholders contacted and participating at the workshop ▪ Level of consensus on the proposed measures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EU Interreg PlanCoast project 		

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Integrating Environment and Development

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MSSD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assistance to countries in implementation of the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development (MSSD) - Implementation of Chapter 2.7. of the Strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SEA and EIA studies ▪ local management in coastal areas ▪ development of methodology for island coastal management plans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National counterparts ▪ Other MAP Components within their fields of expertise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of SEA and EIA studies prepared ▪ Number of island plans prepared ▪ Local stakeholders involved 							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MSSD ▪ ICZM Protocol ▪ Operational SAP for ICZM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implementation of the "Destinations" project on tourism carrying capacity assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Strategies for tourism development in the three pilot areas ▪ Creation of three demonstration centres (Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ INFO/RAC, National counterparts; tasks according to the MoU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ WWF 							
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional TC on application of guidelines for sustainable urban water resources management in French 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Training course ▪ Report of the training course 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of participants/countries ▪ Report prepared and disseminated 							
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional TC to implement the Guidelines for Carrying Capacity Assessment for Sustainable Tourism in the Mediterranean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional training course ▪ Report of the training course 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of participants and countries ▪ Report prepared and disseminated 							
Other											
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Barcelona Convention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National Focal Points Meeting of PAP/RAC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Report of the meeting ▪ Final proposal of the Work programme for the next biennium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MAP Coordinating Unit: overall coordination 								