



Mediterranean Action Plan Coordinating Unit
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Agenda Item 3. Mediterranean Quality Status Report (QSR2017)

**PAP/RAC Meeting of the Ecosystem Approach
Correspondence Group on Monitoring (CORMON), on
Coast and Hydrography
Madrid, Spain, 3 March 2017**

Mandate of the QSR2017

UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.22/28

Decision IG.22/7: Integrated Monitoring and Assessment Programme of the Mediterranean Sea and Coast and Related Assessment Criteria

“The 2017 Status Quality Report will be based on the common indicators, and common indicator assessment fact sheets established for them, following a model to be developed by the Secretariat in cooperation with the Contracting Parties through CORMONs by the end of 2016, and will consider the data from the most recent national monitoring and relevant scientific projects and pilots undertaken relevant to the IMAP.”

UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG.427/3

The UNEP/MAP Programme of Work Output 1.4.1 “Periodic assessments based on DPSIR approach and published addressing inter alia status quality of marine and coastal environment

The specific activity for 2016-2017 is to “Prepare and publish Quality Status Report (QSR) based on MAP EcAp-based EO and related common indicators”



IMAP: From data to assessments (future)

Indicator Guidance factsheets (2016)

Revision of National Monitoring Programmes

Revised templates for data and meta-data
(2016-2017)

IMAP Data Reporting System (2016-2017)

Data Assessments to feed into future QSRs

*Not possible
for the
QSR2017*



QSR2017 based on available information

- ✓ QSR2017 is too soon to be based on new data as a result of revised national monitoring programs following IMAP adoption in 2016;
- ✓ It will be therefore based on available data within MAP, plus additional information, projects, initiatives provided by Contracting Parties and partners;
- ✓ Assessment Factsheets to be completed for each indicator, based on available information, and building upon recent and past assessments (i.e. 2011 EcAp Assessment, SoEr's, PAP/RAC reports and others);
- ✓ In addition to the Assessment Factsheets, case studies will be developed based on proposals, where data and information is available, from national monitoring, projects or initiatives (either at the local, national or regional level as appropriate); and
- ✓ In parallel, all elements required for future QSR's and assessments to be fully based on indicator reporting to the INFO-MAP system will be developed for adoption at COP 20 (Dec, 2017), including data and meta data templates, support to countries to revise national monitoring programmes, INFO MAP database system and data flows.



QSR2017 Structure (online)

1. Introduction	
2. Environmental Characteristics	
3. Socioeconomic characteristics of the Mediterranean	
4. Core theme 1: Land and Sea-based Pollution	
4.1 Eutrophication (EO 5).....	2 Indicators
4.2 Pollution (EO 9).....	5 Indicators
4.3 Marine Litter (EO 10).....	3 indicators
4.4 Underwater energy; noise (EO 11).....	2 indicator
5. Core theme 2: Biodiversity and Ecosystems	
5.1 Biodiversity and ecosystems (EO 1).....	5 Indicators
5.2 Non-indigenous species (EO2).....	1 indicator
5.3 Harvest of commercially exploited fish and shellfish (EO3).....	6 indicators
5.4 Marine Food webs (EO4).....	tbd
5.5 Sea floor integrity (EO6).....	tbd
6. Core theme 3: Land and Sea Interaction and Processes	
6.1 Hydrography (EO7).....	1 indicator
6.2 Coastal ecosystems and landscapes (EO8).....	2 indicators
7. Ecosystem assessment outlook	
8. Conclusions and recommendations	

*Assessment
Factsheet
developed per
IMAP
Indicator*



Final Comments

- ✓ First Quality Status Report to be developed based on IMAP indicators. Ambitious task, especially as IMAP indicator reporting not in place
- ✓ Requires full commitment of UNEP/MAP (including MEDPOL, SPA/RAC, PAP/RAC and Plan Bleu)
- ✓ Cannot be achieved without full support from Contracting Parties
- ✓ CORMONs and the expert online working groups to provide the technical review and support with additional information, and develop case studies
- ✓ Component Focal Points to review and comment on revision in May 2017
- ✓ EcAp Coordination Group and MAP Focal Points to provide overall coordination and vision, and final review.



Thank you



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