

PAP/NFP/2007/2

**JOINT MEETING OF THE FOCAL POINTS OF BP, INFO AND PAP
RACs**

Palermo, June 5-7, 2007

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Tuesday, 5 June

► Meeting Room A) Plenary Session (PAP, BP and INFO RACs)

09:00 – 10:00	Registration of participants
10:00 – 10:15	Welcome addresses by the Authorities
10:15 – 10:30	Introduction by the Co-ordinator
10:30 – 11:00	Opening statements by the RACs
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break

► Meeting Room A) PAP/RAC Session 1: Reporting on the Progress

11:30 – 11:45 **Item 1: Introduction to the PAP/RAC session**

The objectives of the PAP/RAC session of the Joint PAP-BP-INFO RACs National Focal Points meeting will be given. The Agenda will be presented with a view to be approved by the delegates. The Officers of the meeting will be elected. Presentation by Mr. I. Trumbic.

11:45 – 13:00 **Item 2: Progress Report of activities in biennium 2006-2007**

According to the work programme for the current biennium PAP/RAC is implementing a number of activities. They are related to the development of the ICZM legal framework, sustainable management of coastal zones, and in integrating environment and development. Most of them are in line with the objectives and goals of the MSSD and the Operational Strategic Action Plan for ICZM approved at the last Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties. Progress and outputs will be presented, and the discussion will follow with a view to adopting the report. Presentation by Mr. M. Prem.

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 16:00 **Item 3: Presentation of other PAP/RAC activities related to core programme**

In this biennium PAP/RAC was engaged in the implementation of a number of projects financed from other sources. All these projects have been related to the work programme approved by the Contracting Parties. The projects will be briefly presented with an emphasis on the value added achieved. Presentations by I. Trumbic, D. Povh-Skugor, A. Bjelica, M. Prem and Z. Skaricic.

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

16:30 – 18:00

Item 4: Preparation of draft text of ICZM Protocol

Following the decision of the Contracting Parties in Portoroz in November 2005, the Working Group of the governmentally designated experts was established in

early 2006 with the task to prepare the final draft of the ICZM Protocol. PAP/RAC and MEDU jointly organised and carried out all related activities. The progress,

the main achievements and still open Articles will be presented. The discussion should help assist in finding the solutions and achieving the consensus on the articles where some countries have expressed their reservations. Also, proposals will be sought to guide PAP/RAC in the implementation of the Protocol once it is adopted. Presentation by I. Trumbic.

Wednesday, 6 June

► **Meeting Room A) PAP/RAC Session 2: Future orientations**

09:30 – 11:00

Item 5: Impact of global changes on coastal zones

Mediterranean coastal areas are under development trends and pressures that will in the coming decades inevitably change their economic and environmental values. These include intensive economic pressures (tourism, urbanisation) that request more and more coastal space and use of other natural resources without respecting their carrying capacity, vulnerability or scarcity. On the other hand, the global changes, such as the climate change and increasing environmental risks, have finally been recognised as the most serious threat to mankind if the natural limits are not taken seriously into account. Coastal areas and their populations will probably be the major victims of such global changes. How shall MAP and in particular PAP/RAC together with the Mediterranean countries respond to these challenges in a long run? How to define and prioritise the activities oriented at better management of coastal areas? Do the MSSD, the new ICZM Protocol and the Operational Strategic Action Plan for ICZM provide sufficient guidance? Participants are invited to reflect on the future long-term orientation of PAP/RAC activities. Introductory presentation to stimulate the debate will be done by Mr. R. Billé, consultant.

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00

Item 6: Awareness raising and ICZM Marketing

Specific importance in responding to global changes is linked to the role of the local actors where the proactive initiatives are mostly needed. Here, with the help of local stakeholders the problems can be managed at their roots. In this context the role of awareness of the public in general is crucial. The ICZM Marketing Strategy will be presented. Participants will be asked to reflect on the ICZM Marketing Strategy and to propose concrete activities for PAP/RAC to undertake. Presentation by Mr. B. Shipman, PAP/RAC consultant.

13:00 – 14:30

Lunch break

14:30 – 16:00

Item 7: CAMP lessons and future activities

Local interventions as designed by MAP and implemented through CAMP in the past decades have proved to be a very concrete and positive activity strongly supported by the Contracting Parties. Without doubt such projects should remain among the priorities of PAP/RAC. However, the question is how we should tailor those projects in order to best respond to the country needs, how we should improve their effectiveness and value added, as well as make the follow-up

process efficient? What could be the new generation of CAMP projects and how to take into account the common issues of transboundary or sub-regional nature?

How to implement new approaches, such as the ecosystem approach? To stimulate the discussion, Mr. G. Constantinides, PAP/RAC consultant and Mr. A. Bjelica will make presentations on the lessons learned in CAMP, and on the vision of the future type of these projects.

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee break

16:30 – 18:00

Item 8: Programme, Budget and Recommendations for biennium 2008-2009

Proposal of the PAP/RAC activities in the coming biennium, based on the main commitments or approaches of MAP and the Centre, such as MSSD, Operational Strategic Action Plan for ICZM, and the activities related to the ICZM Protocol if adopted, will be presented by Mr. I. Trumbic. On the basis of this draft and the discussions during the session on the future orientation of PAP/RAC, the final Work Programme and Recommendations for the biennium 2008-2009 will be prepared and proposed to MAP Focal Points at their Meeting in Spain in October 2007.

Thursday, 7 June:

► **Meeting Room A) Plenary Session (PAP, BP and INFO RACs)**

09:00 – 11:00

Presentation of the conclusions of the RAC Meetings and identification and planning of joint BP-INFO-PAP/RAC activities
Presentation of the Ecosystem Approach

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00

Conclusions and closure of the meeting