

STAGES (CSA)

Science and Technology Advancing Governance of Good Environmental Status

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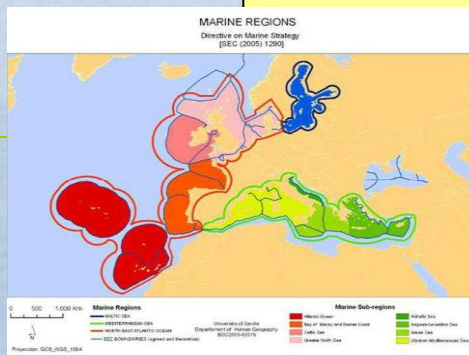
The context

Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD)

Delivery of Good Environmental Status (GES)
in EU marine waters by 2020

The challenge

- ✓What actually constitutes GES?
- ✓Need to develop additional scientific understanding for assessing GES in a coherent and holistic manner
- ✓Relevant research results should be synthesized and passed to policy makers to Bridge the MSFD science-policy gap
- ✓Improve Scientific Knowledge base to support MSFD implementation



Budget

1 million Euros



The project

STAGES project (2012-14)

7FP: ENV: 2012 (Ocean of tomorrow)

Identify and **synthesize the information**
from MSFD research projects

Develop a **Science/Policy Platform** to channel
the knowledge from EU science and Technology
to relevant end users

Partnership

STAGES partners

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EurOcean

IFREMER

Marine Board

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Key objectives and results (I)

1. Identify and synthesize the knowledge generated through EU and national research funded activities with relevance to MSFD objectives and make it widely accessible to policy and decision makers and to MSFD stakeholders

Expected Results	Lead User(s)	Dissemination Plan
Inventory of relevant EU and national research projects and results State of the Art Synthesis Reports on Major MSFD Themes	EU Commission, MS, EU researchers and MSFD stakeholders	Information will be uploaded on the On-line "Knowledge Gate Portal".

2. Identify the needs for further research to improve the scientific underpinning for the implementation of the MSFD

Expected Results	Lead User(s)	Dissemination Plan
MSFD Knowledge Gaps Reports and Science-Policy	EC DG Research & Innovation Horizon 2020 JPI Oceans Regional, national and sub-national research programmes	Horizon 2020 National Science and Technology research funding programmes



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3. Provide concrete, pragmatic and ready-to-use recommendations on the development of an **European science-policy platform to support implementation of the MSFD**

- ❖ Identify relevant MSFD stakeholders at national, regional, and pan-European level.
- ❖ Implement a structured stakeholder consultation
- ❖ Identify platform deliverables to policy makers in line with timing of MSFD implementation
- ❖ Organization of a Stakeholder Consultation Workshop

Expected Results	Lead User(s)	Dissemination Plan
Proposal for a European science-policy Interface platform	European Commission DG ENVIRONMENT Directorate D - Water, Marine Environment & Chemicals	Position paper targeted at European Commission Services European Commission Services Member and Associated States



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Some comments and clues for the success...

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