

Key question: How to prioritize the necessary actions to promote a reasonable use of (marine) resources?

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Streamline networking and management efforts in Mediterranean Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) as a mechanism to enhance nature conservation and protection in the region.



Ecosystem-based management – ecoregions in the Mediterranean to maintain healthy seas and collective natural resources, including fisheries and biodiversity beyond national jurisdiction.



Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) (Article 11) requires countries to address cross border issues (also between EU and non EU countries), through standardised methods and shared practices, to ensure proper assessment of the regional environmental status of marine waters.

 more connected and well-managed marine protected areas -MPAs (EC Green Deal)

 protection of MPAs to mitigate and adapt marine resources to climate change

 Ecosystem-based management and nature-based solutions for healthy and resilient seas (and oceans) Should the ecoregional platform be way forward for understanding and managing marine areas beyond national jurisdiction and safeguarde transboundary mobile species, mitigate cumulative impacts and allow for adaptation to climate change impacts?

Do we need macro-regional institutional platform and Knowledge and Data Center for efficient and effective transboundary marine spatial planning?