



The Mediterranean Marine Protected Areas Network Steering Committee of North-East Asian Marine Protected Areas Network (NEAMPAN), 19-20 March 2014, Incheon

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History of the MedPAN network

- 1990 : MedPAN launched
- 1996 : activities stopped
- 2001 : Port-Cros National Park delegates the relaunching of the network to WWF-France
- 2005 - 2007 : INTERREG III C MEDPAN project with 23 partners
- 2007 : 1st conference of the Mediterranean MPA (Porquerolles – France)
- 2008 : Creation of the MedPAN Organization at the request of MPA managers
- 2009 : Permanent secretariat of the Organization based in Hyères (France)
- 2010-2012 Strategy and 2013-2017 MedPAN network strategy
- 2013 : Permanent Secretariat based in Marseille (France)



- « bottom-up » approach
- Project: common actions
- Governance of the network



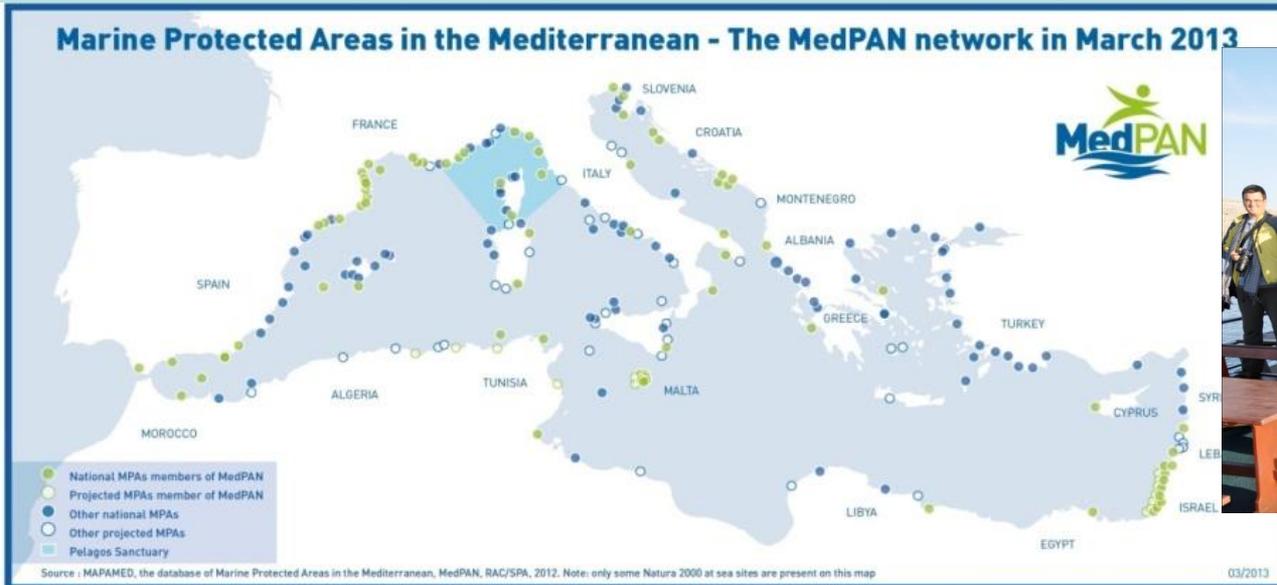


MedPAN network Mission

Promote, through a partnership approach, the **sustainability and operation of a network of Marine Protected Areas** in the Mediterranean which are ecologically representative, connected and effectively managed to help reduce the current rate of marine biodiversity loss.

Thus, it contributes to achieving the objectives of international conventions: CBD (Aichi targets), Barcelona Convention (Protocol SPA/DB, Protocol ICZM), ACCOBAMS and European policies (Marine Strategy Framework Directive, Habitats and Birds Directives).

Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean - The MedPAN network in March 2013





The MedPAN organisation – a snapshot

- **A legally independent structure** with an international governance
- **8 founding members**, 45 members, 28 partners – 18 countries – More than 80 MPAs
- **Secretariat** 7 persons
- **Main donors:** Mava Foundation, Albert II Foundation, FFEM, European Commission, local territories, French Water Agency & MPA Agency



- **Strategic partners:** CBD, RAC/SPA, RAC/PAP, Plan Bleu and UNEP/MAP, WWF, IUCN Med, Conservatoire du Littoral, GFCM, ACCOBAMS, ...
- Link with **other networks in the world:** CaMPAM, Rampao, Maia, WIOMSA, Panache...



2013-2017: MedPAN Strategy





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3 strategic axis:



5 major transverse intervention areas:



Some MedPAN activities

**MPA database
(MAPAMED)**
MPA Status

**Call for small
projects**

**Sharing-experience
annual workshops**

**Tools
Exchange visits
Trainings**

**Projects results and
good practices
capitalization and
feedback**

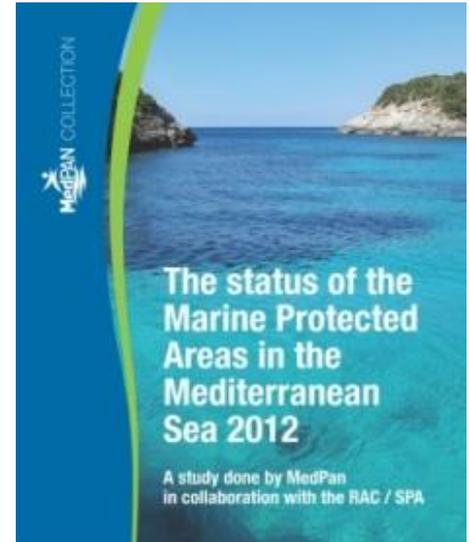
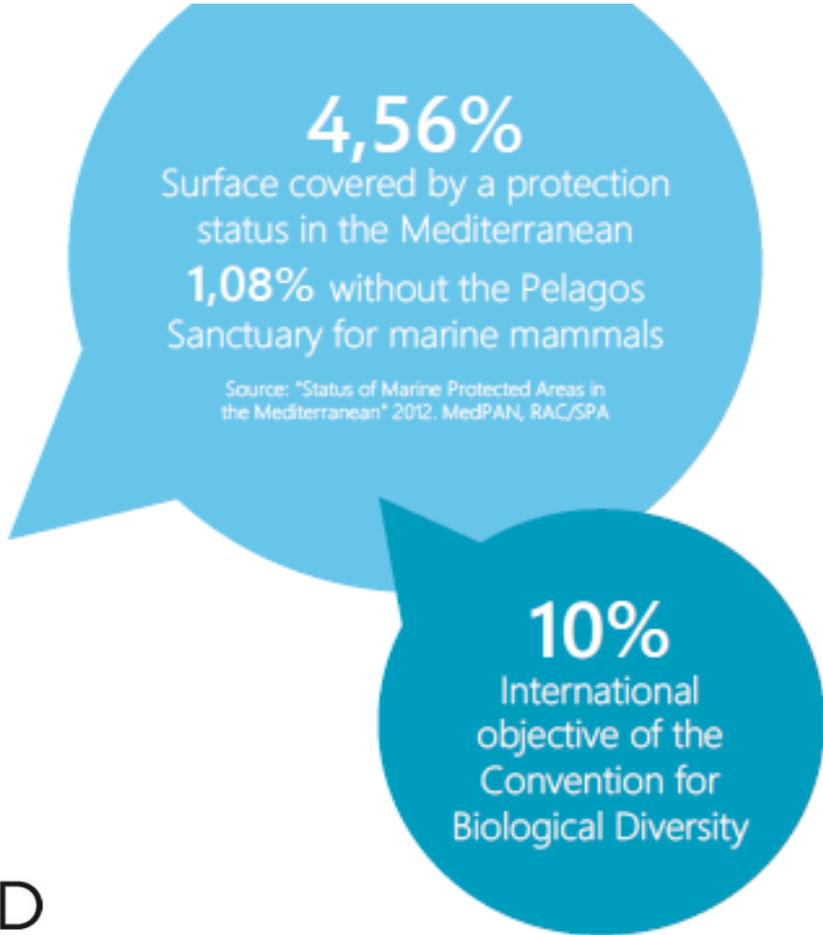
**Website,
E- newsletter
Resources center
(documents,
directory...)**

**Link with
research/scientific
newsletter
Ecological and Economic
monitoring protocols**

**MPA Forum
and roadmap**



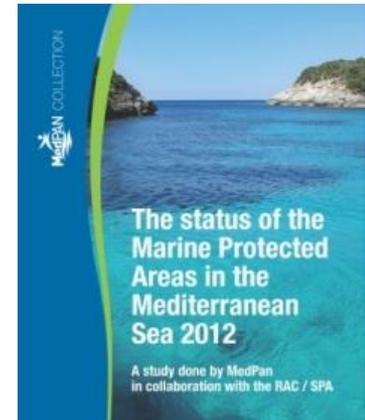
The Status of MPAs in the Mediterranean



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- Insufficient management (sample: 80 MPAs)**

42% with management structure and plan

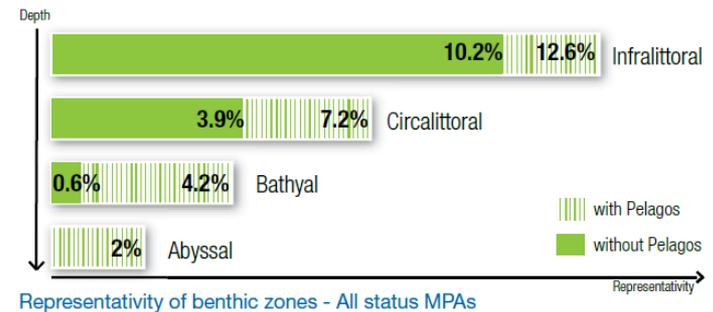
Weak enforcement

Weak **financial** resources to cover recurring costs

Need for capacity-building

Need for socio-economic studies

- Variable representativity of habitats & species**



- Weak ecological coherence**



2012 Mediterranean MPA Forum



THE 2012 FORUM
of Marine Protected Areas
in the Mediterranean

MARINE PROTECTED AREAS:
Everyone's Business.

*Boosting the Marine Protected Areas network
for the benefits of the Mediterranean society.*



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➔ **2016**

MPA Forum main objective

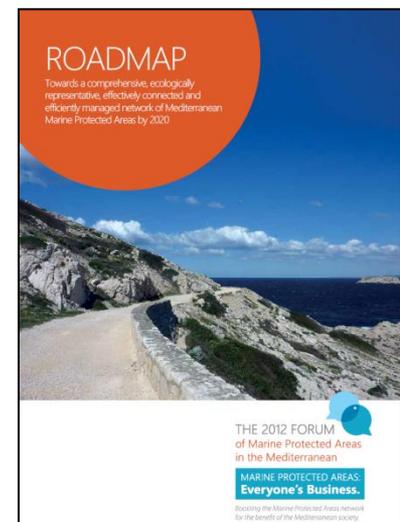
Bridging the gap

between field actions / political commitments / science

Unique opportunity for dialogue/partnerships among all MPA stakeholders (*scientists, decision-makers, private sector, managers, civil society...*)

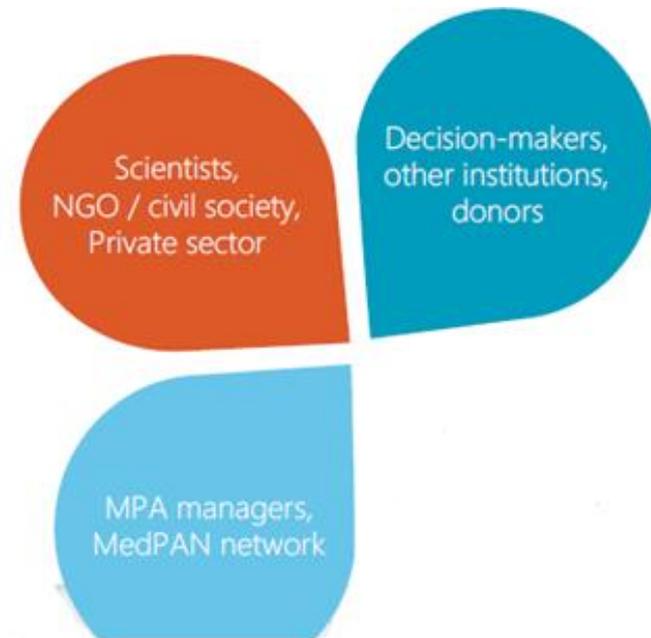
To contribute elaboration of better informed decisions and provide for efficient implementation at all levels

ROADMAP TO 2020 and Antalya Declaration calling for urgent action to achieve, by 2020, International, Mediterranean and European commitments



Objectives of the roadmap

- The roadmap is not legally binding,
- but aims to define steps that Mediterranean States, relevant organisations and other stakeholders could individually and/or jointly undertake to achieve, by 2020, the objectives set for the network of MPAs.
- It will also contribute to identifying measures to be taken during future discussions (the Barcelona Convention COP, SAP BIO review, European policies, IMPAC III, etc.).
- It is addressed to national, European, Mediterranean and International stakeholders who are involved in MPA policies, planning and management in the Mediterranean region;



• The representativity of species and habitats is improved

“To achieve by 2020 a connected, ecologically representative, effectively managed and monitored network of Marine Protected Areas which ensures the long term conservation of the key components of the marine biodiversity and gives solid support to the sustainable development of the region.”



FOUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES OF THE ROADMAP FOR 2020

Strategic objective 1

Establish an ecological network of MPAs which is representative and connected.

Strategic objective 2

Establish in Mediterranean MPAs an effective, efficient and sustainable management as well as a good governance.

Strategic objective 3

Develop a Mediterranean MPAs governance which is integrated on a territorial level and with other sectors while promoting the sharing of environmental and socio-economic benefits.

Strategic objective 4

Increase the allocation of financial resources to establish and maintain an ecological network of effectively managed MPAs.

ACTIONS AT EVERY LEVEL WITH EVERY STAKEHOLDER



Activities implemented **on a local level**

The actions led in the MPAs and their surrounding areas will be implemented by MPA managers, but local populations, NGOs, local communities and authorities, socio-economic stakeholders, researchers and other stakeholders will also be involved.



Activities implemented **on a national level**

The actions will be implemented mainly by local/national authorities with support from NGOs, research institutes, national MPA agencies and organisations and networks representing the civil society, international organisations and donors.



Activities implemented **on a Mediterranean level**

The actions will be mainly implemented by the competent international organisations (IGOs and NGOs), in partnership with donors and funding agencies with the support of national policies and local stakeholders. Mediterranean level actions are essential to support and harmonise the actions suggested on a national and local level.

The TRUST FUND INITIATIVE: 4th STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE OF THE ROADMAP FOR 2020

Increase the allocation of financial resources to establish and maintain an ecological network of effectively managed MPAs

- Analysis of MPAs financial needs/gaps and regular evaluation of funding schemes
- Reinforce national policies and institutional frameworks (local, national, international) to improve the funding and diversification of financial resources



- New sustainable financial mechanisms (**trust funds**, payment for ecosystem services, earmarked taxes, etc.) need to be tested and developed on a local, national and **regional level**.
- New donors should be identified and mobilised to support MPAs.
- Donors will be invited to support the development of long term sustainable financing mechanisms



The purpose of creating a Mediterranean MPA trust fund would be:

- To help existing MPAs secure means to function in the long-term
- The support to the regional networks of Mediterranean MPAs,
- To encourage countries to reinforce their national MPA development strategies
- To bring complementary financial resources
 - To existing or future national funds in Mediterranean countries
 - To support countries in developing new innovative financing mechanisms at national level



IMPAC 3 – Ajaccio Declaration

Launch by the governments of Monaco, France and Tunisia of a Trust Fund for Mediterranean MPAs



MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN

18th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean and its Protocols

Istanbul Declaration :

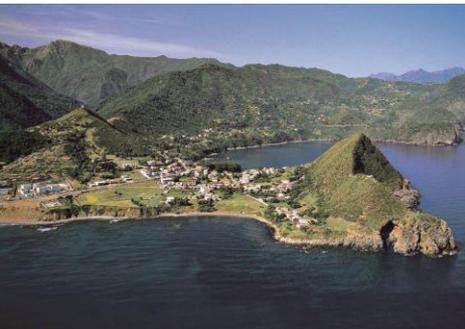
Contracting Parties « *Invite international organizations, bilateral and multilateral donors, foundations and the private sector, with the interest and capacity to do so, to encourage the **creation and the support of the activities of the trust fund for Mediterranean marine protected areas** »*



Management models of coastal, insular and marine areas in the Mediterranean

Contributing to create ICZM models and achieving sustainable financing mechanisms

- pilot sites
- CB / knowledge improved
- decision-makers/stakeholders aware/committed





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Thanks for your attention

