Marine Policy and Regional Coordination

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Joint MSProadmap
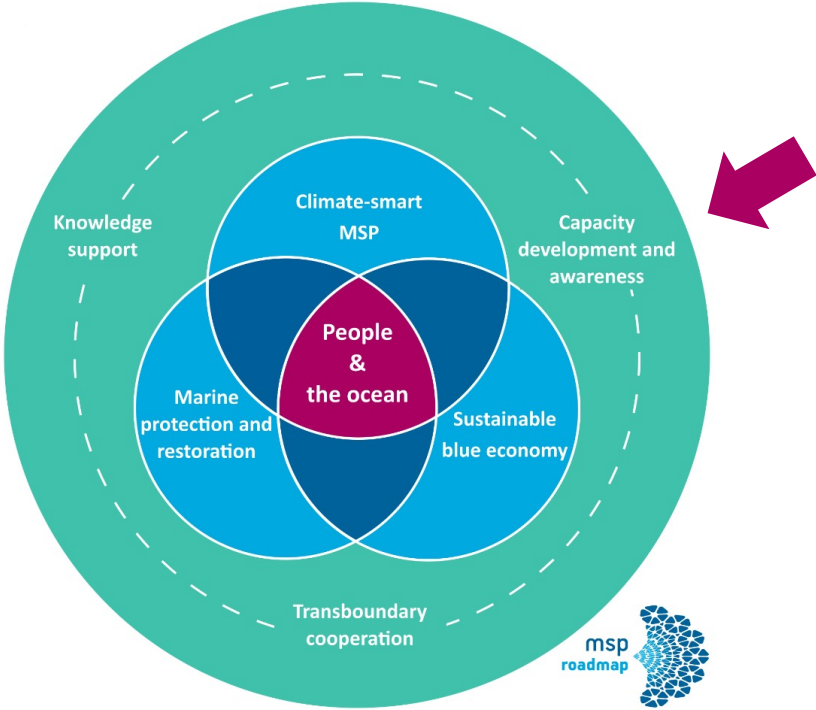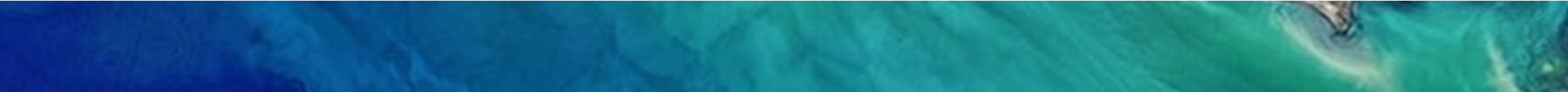
IOC CD Strategy: Key components related to MSP work

1. Human resources developed at individual and institutional levels

  1.2 Continuous professional development

  *1.2.1 Promote and assist with the organisation of **training courses** (…)*

  *1.2.5 Promote the development and sharing of **training materials and tools***

2. Access to technology, physical infrastructure, data and information established or improved

  2.2 Facilitating equitable access to and sharing of ocean data and information

  *2.2.1 Promote the development and wide use of regional and global **data and information systems***

3. Global, regional and sub-regional mechanisms strengthened

  3.3 Identifying specific national and regional capacity development needs through regular needs assessment

  *3.3.1 Organise and conduct biennial **capacity development needs survey***
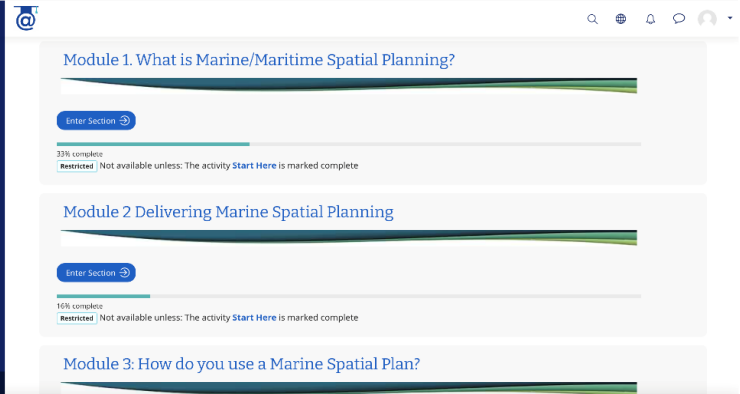
| Output | Activity | Action |

Action 1.2.1 **Training courses:** Online at OTGA

- **Status: Implementing**

- **EN:** https://oceanexpert.org/event/4573

- **FR:** https://oceanexpert.org/event/4575

- **ES:** https://oceanexpert.org/event/4580

- **Online**, self-paced, open continuously to anyone

- Can also be used as pre-course before F2F training

- Based on all **IOC guidelines** on MSP & **testimonies from +15 MSP practitioners** from around the world

- **3 modules**: Easy-to-read text, figures and videos explaining concepts and processes as well as case studies and quizzes

Action 1.2.1 Training courses: In-person with MSP Challenge

- **Status:** **Implementing**
- **Languages:** EN | FR | ES
- **MSP basics** and related topics (e.g., blue economy)
- **Target:** Mainly representatives of governmental authorities involved in MSP discussions
- **Next trainings in the pipeline (co-funded by EU, GEF, Government of Sweden):**
  - **National**
    - **Pacific SIDS:** 1
    - **LAC:** 4
    - **Africa:** 2
  - **Regional** *(together with IW:LEARN, other regional organisations and initiatives)*
    - LAC
    - West Africa
    - WESTPAC

Action 1.2.1 Training courses: Next steps

- **Status: New tools under development -> New trainings to be developed**

- **MSPglobal 2.0 (Jul 2023 – Jun 2024) tools:**

  - Rapid Assessment Methodology (RAM)

  - Good practices for engaging Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in MSP

  - Data Toolbox I: How to develop a Spatial Data Infrastructure for MSP

  - Data Toolbox II: How to integrate ocean observation into MSP

  - Guide on biodiversity inclusive MSP (MSP & CBD's Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework)

  - Guide on climate-smart MSP (MSP & UNFCCC's Paris Agreement)

- **MSPglobal 3.0 (Jul 2025 – Jun 2027) potential trainings*:**

  - Data for MSP

  - Biodiversity inclusive and climate-smart MSP

2.2.1 Promote the development and wide use of regional and global data and information systems

*Note: To be defined according to assessment of capacity development needs on MSP as well as future IOC-wide Strategy on Sustainable Ocean Planning and Management (SOPM) & Decade Programme on Sustainable Ocean Planning (SOP).

Action 1.2.1 **Community of Practices:** Intl and Regional MSPforum

- **Status: Implementing**

- **International** (co-funded by EU)

  - 6th edition, Oct 2024: Bali, Indonesia (first time outside EU)

  - 7th edition, 2026: Country tbc (LAC or Africa)

- **Regional**

  - **LAC**

    - 2nd edition, 2025: Country tbc (co-funded by Gov. of Sweden)

  - **Africa**

    - 3rd edition, 2025: Country tbc (co-funded by Gov. of Sweden)

  - **WESTPAC**

    - 2nd edition: ?

Action 1.2.5 Training materials: MSP Challenge training network

- **Status: Implementing**

- **Training material** (game + handbook + video tutorials)

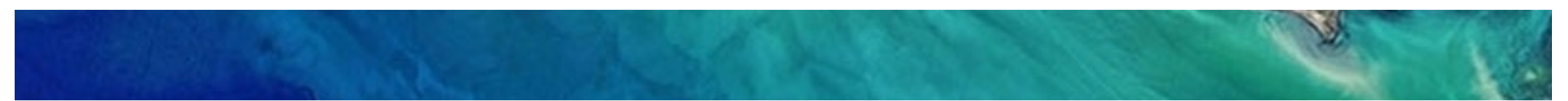- Languages developed with the support of IOC and members of the network:

  - **AR | CN | EN | ES | FR | PT | RU**

- IOC HQ + IOCARIBE + IOCAFRICA + 10 organisations

- *Note: WESTPAC is using EN and CN versions donated to FIO*

Abidjan Convention

First Institute of Oceanography, Ministry of Natural Resources, China – FIO

Interministerial Commission for Sea Resources, Brazil – CIRM

International Ocean Institute, South Africa - IOI SA

IOC's Sub Commission for Africa & the Adjacent Island States - IOCAFRICA

IOC's Sub-Commission for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions - IOCARIBE

Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia - PEMSEA

Permanent Commission for the South Pacific – CPPS, Executive Secretariat of the Action Plan for the Southeast Pacific

Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity Centre - PAP/RAC

Regional Organization for the Conservation of the Environment of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden – PERSGA

Scientific and Research Institute of Maritime Spatial Planning "Ermak NorthWest", Russia – ErmakNW

University of the Republic of Uruguay – UdelaR

Action 3.3.1 CD needs survey: Global & National

- **Status:** **Under development**
- **Global:** Questions will be included in IOC survey on Status of MSP (November 2024)
- **National:** Through Rapid Assessment Methodology (RAM), which map priority actions including CD needs

IOC Wide-Strategy on
Sustainable Ocean Planning and Management

Process

31ˢᵗ IOC Assembly: Launched the process to develop a comprehensive framework to deliver knowledge and capacities to meet the needs of IOC Member States for sustainable ocean planning and management.

EC-57: Presentation of Draft IOC Wide-Strategy on Sustainable Ocean Planning and Management (IOC/EC-57/4.3.Doc(1).Rev.)

Intersessional period: IOC Working Group on Sustainable Ocean Planning and Management (IOC/WG-SOPM) -> Finalise Strategy + Develop Implementation Plan

Draft IOC Wide-Strategy on SOP

Strategic objectives:

(i) Increased integration and mainstreaming of ocean planning and management

(ii) Improved observations, data, data frameworks and knowledge management for ecosystem-based management and sectoral applications

(iii) Strengthened cross-sectoral and transboundary coordination

(iv) **Expanded capacity development**

- Enhance stakeholder capabilities through comprehensive **training programmes, workshops, information materials and ongoing education**, tailored to meet the needs of diverse users and widely distributed through platforms such as Ocean CD-Hub;
- Establish **knowledge exchange platforms** to effectively disseminate best practices and innovations, promoting a global community of practice that enables continuous improvement and adaptation of ocean management strategies;
- Engage with **ECOPs** to foster hands-on learning and leadership in ocean governance and science.

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