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Monitoring and Evaluation - case of Poland

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Formal requirements



No direct obligation for plan monitoring. However, the law stipulates:

- the need to evaluate the plan at least every 10 years
- the environmental monitoring is to be developed within the MSFD

Evaluation as stipulated in *the Act on Sea Areas of Poland and Maritime Administration of March 21st 1991*:

- In order to assess the validity of plans, the territorially competent director of the maritime office shall apply to the authorities that had legal obligation to participate in elaboration of the plan, for providing information on changes in the spatial development of the area covered by the plan and analyzes changes in this area, taking into account the permits issued for the construction and use of artificial islands and structures and permits issued for laying or maintaining cables or pipelines.
- On those basis, the director of the maritime office prepares a report on the maritime spatial development. The results of this assessment and the report are forwarded to the ministers responsible for: maritime economy, water management, regional development, construction, spatial planning and development, and housing for consideration.
- On the basis of the report, minister competent for maritime economy shall decide on the plan change and the scope of necessary changes.





Experience




SDI4SEB


NEIGHBOURHOOD PROGRAMME


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2008

State of the Coast of the South East Baltic:
an indicators-based approach to evaluating sustainable development in the coastal zone of the South East Baltic Sea

Raport o stanie wybrzeża południowo-wschodniego Bałtyku
Opis zrównoważonego rozwoju w strefie brzegowej – ujęcie wskaźnikowe

PROGRAM MONITORINGU WÓD MORSKICH

2015



Way forward –tentative conceptualisation



Although there is no concrete monitoring and evaluation mechanism discussed yet in Poland:

- the preparation of the plan has showed validity and importance of the stakeholder dialogue at various geographical scales;
- this asset should be used also for monitoring purposes;
- it will facilitate the plan update and will maintain critical mass of trust and stakeholder engagement around MSP so important for the success of public governance.





Way forward –tentative conceptualisation



Following elements might form the cornerstones of the future Polish M&E system :

- a) periodical (bi-annual?) meetings with general public on the outcomes and performance of the plan organized in the same way as the consultations meetings during the plan preparation;
- b) discussions of the intergovernmental committee gathering the ministries responsible for maritime space organized in *ad hoc* manner (according to needs) but at least once every three years;
- c) scientific conferences on MSP based on scientific grants presenting the outcomes of the research on MSP in Poland, organized regularly in cooperation with the Maritime Administration;
- d) interim report on development of maritime space five years after plan's enforcement that might serve as the contextual base for discussions under points (a-c);
- e) it would be also advisable if three directors of Maritime Offices in Poland would make an agreement on joint monitoring of development of Polish sea areas in the same way as they did for the preparation of the draft maritime spatial plan in the scale 1:200 000.





Way forward –tentative conceptualisation



What might help:

- Pan Baltic Scope discussions encompassing both Maritime Administration and academia;
- MSP EU Platform report on monitoring with concrete examples of indicators and monitoring philosophy;
- trust built during MSP process so far in particular reflection fora animated under BaltSpace project;
- consensus that qualitative and quantitative approaches must work together;
- boundary spanning concept as a monitoring starting point.



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Thank you!



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I hope you have visited Polish stand at MSP Fair



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