Implementation of the Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) principles and practices in the ENP South region

ENI SEIS South Support Mechanism (2016-2019)

Environment assessment and indicator-based reporting activities

1st Steering Committee meeting 12-14 December 2016, Athens







The project timeframe



H2020 initiative for a **Cleaner Mediterranean**

Athens Declaration (May 2014)

- H2020 programme of work 2015-2020
- H2020 Indicators and assessment

- NAP implementation
- IMAP set of common indicators

UNEP/MAP Barcelona

Convention

Ecosystem approach, SEIS principles

MSSD

Indicator management, data service

2nd H2020 indicator based assessment

UNEPMAP SOED

2020/2021 **Next reporting** cycle

NATIONAL

REGIONAL

Inception phase

Establishment of national work plans

Anchoring the work in national setting

Quality Status Report

IMAP InfoSystem

National Team (mandate, objectives)

2017

- National pilot/case
- National support
- Links to other initiatives
- **H2020 Indicators**
- Assessment framework

Results available

Sharing of experiences among countries

2018

- National achievements in regional setting
- Data quality
- **H2020 Country Profile**
- **Endorsement of results**

"Evidence-based policy making"

2019

Country level assessments

- Contribution to H2020 report
- Reporting/availability of indicators
- Policy briefs

EU **Euro-MED** Global

Discussion 1 – Key messages for policy makers (Group 1 & 2)

If we consider the regional H2020 indicator-based assessment as a instrument to influence national priorities and/or agenda which elements/messages should it content?

What should be the key topics?

Shall it focus on problems or on solutions, looking at transition?

What it is the best format – long, short, web-based, paper, etc?

Should it be country specific or regional?

Should it the narrative comes as textbook or with visuals (using infographic)?

How to ensure proper visibility, dissemination?

Group 1: Egypt, Libya, Montenegro

Group 2: Israel, Jordan, Turkey

45 minutes

1 rapporteur per group – 5+5 minutes





Discussion 2 – Outline of H2020 assessment (group 3 & 4)

If the overall question of the H2020 Indicator-based assessment is "What is the progress in depolluting the Mediterranean"?

Which analytical framework should be applied (DPSIR, PSI only, thematic, etc)?

What should be the main headings?

What it is the best format – long, short, web-based, paper, etc?

Should it be country specific or regional?

Should it the narrative comes as textbook or with visuals (using infographic)?

How to ensure proper visibility, dissemination?

Group 3: Lebanon, Palestine, Albania

Group 4: Morocco, Tunisia, Italy

45 minutes

1 rapporteur per group – 5+5 minutes





Thank you for your attention!

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Key elements from the meeting

H2020 RM programme of work 2015-2020

- Slower progress than anticipated before dedicated project funding, optimistic that objectives can be achieved
 - Lot of progress at country level
 - Proposal to collect an overview of activities at country level

Merging of ENI SEIS South SCM and H2020 RM beneficial to enhance coordination, common understanding and engagement

Confirm commitment of the different networks involved

Agreement to keep that model for future meetings

Commitment to ensure finalisation of National Work Plans as early as possible, by February 2017 at the latest to ensure operationalisation of the identified actions





Key elements from the meeting

Proposal to establish a Working Group on Indicator to identify a core set of Mediterranean indicators

to contribute and validate an essential core set of indicators – securing full convergence among all initiative and facilitate a common response and communication around it – not to confusing with multiple reporting. Responsibility of the group to secure this discussion. EG, JO, LB, MA, TN, CEDARE volunteered to contribute to this WG

Website – invite to start populating and to use it as an interactive forum, facilitate exchange, visibility of national activities

Country are invited to look at it and provide feedback on it's use, functionalities, user-friendliness

Feedback to be provided by the end of the year

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Research component — to ensure visibility of EU initiative on project website

Recommendations



