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Workshop on Identification of Libyan
Priority Indicators to Assess the State of Marine Environment

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Introduction

- The coastline of Libya extends over 1,970 kilometers and is one of the longest coasts on the Mediterranean.
- Large part of the coast is still in its natural condition.
- Some parts of the coast are under anthropogenic pressure generated by different sources mainly from various petroleum exploration process and export, Sewage and untreated industrial water, fisheries and urbanization and uncontrolled development of the coast...etc.
- There are various Libyan government institutions that play a role in the field of marine environment protection and monitoring in Libya.

Relevant Institutional Framework in the Field of Marine Environment Protection

- There are various Libyan government institutions that deal and are closely related to the marine environmental affairs.
- Their roles and functions and responsibility vary and range from scientific advisory body to monitoring, inspection, and implementation and enforcement of the laws.
- The Environment General Authority (EGA) and the Marine Biology Research Centre (MBRC) are the two main competent authorities that monitor, assess and evaluate the quality and state of the marine environment.

Institutional framework

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Environmental General Authority (EGA)

Supervision

Universities & Researcher Centers

Government body

- Marine Biology Research Centre
- Libyan Petroleum Institute
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Legislative Framework

- The legal framework that governing the marine environment and insuring its protection is specifically indicated in the following laws and legislations:
- ***Law No.15/2003 the Protection and Improvement of the Environment. It includes a section for the Protection of Sea and Marine Wealth (Articles 18– 38).***
- ***Law No 14/1989 on Fishery Resources.***
- ***Law No 13 of 1984 for Public Cleaning and its executive regulation.***

Regional and International Conventions

Barcelona Convention and its Protocols

Barcelona Convention and its Protocols	Signature date	Date of Ratification, Acceptance, Approval, or Accession
Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea Against Pollution (Barcelona Convention)	31/01/1977	31/01/1997 Ratification
Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean (Barcelona Convention Amendments)	N/A	12/01/2009 Ratification
The Protocol for the Prevention of Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by Dumping from Ships and Aircraft (the Dumping Protocol)	31/01/1977	31/01/1997 Ratification
Protocol Concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency (Emergency Protocol)	31/01/1977	31/01/1979
Protocol Concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency, Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea (Prevention and Emergency Protocol)	25/01/2002	N/A
Protocol for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution from Land-Based Sources and Activities (LBS Protocol)	17/05/1980	06/06/1989 Approved
Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas in the Mediterranean (SPA Protocol)	N/A	06/06/1989 Accession
Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and Biological Diversity in the Mediterranean(SPA and Biodiversity Protocol and Annexes)	N/A	N/A
Protocol for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution Resulting from Exploration and Exploitation of the Continental Shelf and the Seabed and its Subsoil (Offshore Protocol)	N/A	16/06/2005 Ratification
Protocol on the Prevention of Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (Hazardous Waste Protocol)	01/10/1996	N/A
Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean (ICZM Protocol)	N/A	N/A

International Maritime Organization Convention	Date of Signature	Date of Ratification, Acceptance, Approval, or Accession
International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Disposal of Wastes and Other Materials (London Convention) 1972	N/A	22/11/1976 Ratification
International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships 1973, amended by the Protocol of 1978 (MARPOL 73 / 78) and its Annexes	N/A	28/04/2005 Ratification
International Convention for the Preparation, Response and Cooperation in the Field of Oil Pollution (OPRC 1990)	N/A	18/04/2004 Ratification

Thanks

