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Internal Governance and budget

- Do you have a political delegate specially dedicated to ICZM / WFD / FISHING / ACC / CMD policy ?
- The political delegate which is dedicated to the areas involving the Maritime Policy is the Minister of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment which at the time is Mr Demetris Eliades.

- Do you have an official policy identified with a publishable document in a website for the following Maritime Areas **ICZM** / **WFD** / **FISHING** / **ACC** / **CMD** ?
- Some of those Maritime Areas they have identified policies which are also publishable in English in websites.
 1. **ICZM** – For the Integrated Coastal Zone Management as a country we have the CAMP (Coastal Area Management Programme) which is publishable in English in the website of the Environmental Department.
 - <http://www.cyprus.gov.cy/moa/agriculture.nsf/All/04B9487405A22B96C2257149002957C9?OpenDocument>

CAMP Cyprus adopts three overriding principles:

1. It is a country-driven project designed to respond to national and local priorities perceived and defined according to the experiences, realities and problems of the Cyprus legal, administrative and cultural institutions and policy issues.
2. It is based on an integrated approach to coastal environment and development problems in Cyprus cutting across sectorial policy areas to address the diverse pressures and constraints that affect the coastal environment.
3. It focuses attention on the socio-economic aspects of coastal management given the importance of coastal development to the national and local economy.

2. **WFD** – The policy that we used in Cyprus is the Water Framework European Directive **2000/60/EC** and is publishable in English in the website of the Water Development Department of the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment.

- **WFD 2000/60/EC** - Establishes a framework for Community action in the field of water policy, reforming the current European legislation and sets the legal framework for proper management and protection of water resources. The main objective is to prevent further deterioration of all waters and to achieve "good water status" by 2015.

- <http://www.moa.gov.cy/moa/wdd/Wdd.nsf/all/462E24C7DDBE1BB4C225772700260C03?opendocument>

3. **FISHING** – For the Fishing Policy we have the Legislations only in Greek in the website of the Department of Fisheries and Marine Research.

- http://www.moa.gov.cy/moa/dfmr/dfmr.nsf/DMLlegislation_gr/DMLlegislation_gr?OpenDocument
- The Cypriot fishing policy aims to enhance the economic contribution of the fisheries sector, safeguard the income of those dependent on fishing and sustainably manage marine resources so that they are maintained at high levels on a long-term basis.
- Fisheries management involves institutional, economic and financial interventions and control measures. In the trawl fishery, vessel numbers are restricted, mesh sizes are regulated and fishing depths and seasons are controlled.

4. **ACC** – For the Adaptation of the Climate Change in Cyprus did not have any policy which is specific for the Coastal Areas. The Legislation that they used in the Environmental Department in the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment is the **Kyoto Protocol** which is an international agreement linked to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The major feature of the Kyoto Protocol is that it sets binding targets for 37 industrialized countries and the European community for reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

5. **CMD** – Cyprus has not yet developed the Coastal Maritime Data Policy.

- **Which offices are responsible for the Maritime Areas ICZM / WFD / FISHING / ACC / CMD?**
- For all the Maritime Areas responsible is the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment with different departments of the Ministry.
 - ICZM - Environmental Department, and for the constructions for the improvement of the coastal areas responsible is the Public Works Department (Ministry of
 - WFD - Water Development Department
 - FISHING - Department of Fisheries and Marine Research
 - ACC - Environmental Department
 - CMD – No department

- **Do you have a specialized budget for the Maritime Areas ICZM / WFD / **FISHING** / ACC / CMD?**

- From the above Maritime Areas the only area that has specific budget is the **Fishing** because of the Operational Programme for the Fisheries for 2007-2013 which is 39,5 millions which aims to motivate all interested parties to receive funding under the sectors of fisheries, aquaculture, processing and marketing of fishery and aquaculture products as well as measures concerning fishing infrastructure works. Additionally the OPF aims to the sustainable development of fisheries areas and protection of the marine environment.
- For the rest Maritime Areas the budget depends from the needs that they may have every year.

Tools of Maritime policies

- **Do you have a database or a GIS or a part of your global GIS dedicated to the Maritime Areas ICZM / WFD / FISHING / ACC / CMD?**
- The only database for the above Maritime Areas that Cyprus has is the Legislation information in the website of the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment.

- **Do you have a consultation structure with maritime activities representant for the ICZM / WFD / FISHING / ACC / CMD?**
 - The maritime activities representant for the above maritime areas is the Directors of every Department of the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment.
- **Do you have a regular consultation event for Maritime Areas theme or a regular publication for professional or public?**
 - Usually we are not doing regular consultation event for the Maritime Areas but once a year every Department of the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment publicate the annual reports in their website. Some departments publicate the reports also in English.

- **What are the National and regional laws you use for ICZM theme; are they publishable on the website? (English version) or do you have a link on a website?**
- **ICZM** – The CAMP of Cyprus (Coastal Area Management Programme) which is publishable in English in the website of the Environmental Department and the Legislation for the Protection of the Beach which is publishable only in Greek.
- <http://www.cyprus.gov.cy/moa/agriculture.nsf/All/04B9487405A22B96C2257149002957C9?OpenDocument>
- <http://www.ucm.org.cy/Depository/Document/518/Document.pdf>

Bottom up governance; for Maritime Areas theme

- **Do you have common tools, formal relations, or data exchange on Maritime Areas thematic within your State?**
- The Departments of the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment which are involved with the Maritime Areas they cooperate between them with common tools and data exchange for researches and for new constructions for the improvement of Maritime Areas.

Top down governance; for Maritime Areas theme

•In Cyprus except from the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment which is the main responsible Ministry for the protection of the coastal areas we have also the Ministry of Communications and Works which is responsible for the hard infrastructure for the Marine Protection.

•The following departments they are responsible for different areas of Maritime:

- Environment Service
- Forestry Department
- Public Works Department
- Department of Fisheries and Marine Research
- Water Development Department
- Union of Municipalities

Relations with the research organisations

•Did you create programs of exchange of needs and results with your searchers in the Maritime themes?

•Mostly they work with searches for research for the needs of improve in the Maritime sector. The CAMP of Cyprus for the Coastal Zone Management Protection is a cooperation between private searchers and the Environmental Department of Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment.

•For the Water Framework Directive they are cooperating with the MEDRC which is a Centre of Excellence in Desalination and Water Reuse Technology.

Transnational governance;

- **Are you involved in thematic networks for Maritime themes or inter-regional or inter-state agreements?**

Water Framework Directive

- **Med - Hycos** - Mediterranean Hydrological Cycle Observing System (Med - Hycos) which is an information system based on a World Wide Web to Database connectivity dealing with managing and numerical/graphical processing of Hydro-Meteorological data.
- **GEMS** - Water United Nations Program provides scientifically-sound data and information on the state and trends of global inland water quality required as a basis for the sustainable management of the world's freshwater to support global environmental assessments and decision- making processes.

Transnational governance;

Fishing

- **MedMPA** – The project's general objective is to strengthen the conservation and sustainable management of the elements that make up the Mediterranean marine and coastal biological diversity. The actions advocated have been designed to act as models and thus play a pilot, demonstrational part. They also aim at strengthening the concerned countries' national capacities, to guarantee the future of marine resources; particularly those, which are of particular interest or are being threatened.
- **MedPOL** - is responsible for the follow up work related to the implementation of the LBS Protocol, the Protocol for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution from Land-Based Sources and Activities (1980, as amended in 1996), and of the dumping and Hazardous Wastes Protocols. MED POL assists Mediterranean countries in the formulation and implementation of pollution monitoring programmes, including pollution control measures and the drafting of action plans aiming to eliminate pollution from land-based sources.

Transnational governance;

Inter-regional or inter-state agreements

Water Framework Directive

- **INBO** - International Network of Basin Organizations

Fishing

- **ICCAT** – International Commission for the conservation of Atlantic Tuna.
- **Oceans and Law of the Sea** – Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the sea.