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MSP Conference - Addressing Land-Sea Interactions

Event date:

15/06/2017 (All day) to 16/06/2017 (All day)

The two-day MSP Conference – Addressing Land-Sea Interactions took place in St. Julian’s, Malta on 15 and 16 June 2017 and attracted more than 70 participants. National experts and MSP practitioners exchanged experiences and knowledge during three interactive sessions focusing on key LSI issues in specific countries / contexts, strengths and weaknesses of sub-national approaches to LSI and the LSI issues faced by participants. A total of 13 presentations were given during the panel sessions ‘Introduction to LSI’, ‘Sub-national approaches to LSI’, ‘National and sea-basin approaches to LSI’ and ‘Sectoral approaches to LSI and specific tools’. The presentations can now be downloaded , and the photos taken during the course of the two days are now available . You are also invited to take a look at the conference programme (including the speakers’ bio), the participants list and the conference briefing paper. A conference summary report will follow shortly, including the reports of the interactive sessions.

Maritime Spatial Planning Conference Addressing Land-Sea Interactions

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The Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries of the European Commission is organising a two-day conference to address the topic of Land Sea Interactions within the framework of Maritime Spatial Planning.

Land-sea interaction (LSI) is a complex phenomenon, involving both natural processes across the land-sea interface and the impact of human activities in this area. When carrying out maritime spatial planning (MSP), it is essential to consider the dynamics that occur between land and sea. That is true for sectors such as shipping or offshore wind energy, but also for the management of environmental quality. It is also important to ensure that spatial planning is conducted in an integrated manner across maritime and terrestrial areas through adequate institutional mechanisms. That is why the 'MSP Directive' (2014/89/EU) requires Member States to take LSI into account when preparing maritime spatial plans.

There are different ways of addressing LSI in MSP, involving different spatial scales of intervention. Some planners choose to build on the experience of integrated coastal management, others harmonise terrestrial and maritime spatial plans; and others simply plan at a scale that crosses the land-sea border. The conference will feature both experts and practitioners sharing their experience of addressing LSI in the framework of MSP. The audience will be invited to actively participate in the discussion.

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