

Invitation to the 3d Community of Practice workshop on EBA in MSP

Overview of good EBA practices in MSP and how it can be utilized to analyse gaps in international EBA framework.

What:

The eMSP project has a learning strand on EBA in MSP which invites the EBA community of practice and project partners to joint an online workshop.

When:

The workshop will be held 2 December 2022 10-13 EET/9-12.30 CET.

Intention and objective:

-To deepen a joint understanding of EBA in MSP based on current best practices.

-To discuss a gap-analysis approach as the next step

The learning strand on EBA terms of reference identifies the main objective of the learning strand is to enhance the ecosystem-based approach in MSP through, among all, strengthening of international framework for EBA in MSP. An overview of good practices of EBA in MSP and respective challenges will lay the basis for a gap analysis and respective proposals for further advancement of international framework for EBA in MSP. In addition, the learning strand involves two study cases, which are intended to complement theoretical investigation, illustrating good EBA practices compiled from North Sea and Baltic Sea regions. **An overview of good EBA practices in MSP will be presented and the workshop will be invited to discuss how it can be utilized to analyse gaps in international EBA framework and address them.** Current state of study case will be presented and their use to illustrate EBA application discussed. Also, since application of ecosystem-based approach in MSP largely depends on data availability, the workshop will be invited to initiate a discussion on a minimum dataset for EBA in MSP.

Programme:

1. Introduction to EBA LS intentions and progress achieved (**Jan Schmidtbauer Crona**, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, Sweden).
2. Overview of good practices in EBA and its use for gap analysis (**Dmitry Frank-Kamenetsky**, HELCOM, Finland).
3. What the Baltic Sea and North Sea could learn from each other? – Ideas based on WWF assessments. (**Helena Rodrigues**, WWF).

Feedback on the overview and discussion on gap-analysis approach

4. Study cases on EBA in MSP:
 - a. MSP for Good Environmental Status (**Ville Karvinen**, SYKE, Finland).
 - b. MSP and Spatial Protection. (**Annica Brink**, Aland)
 - c. In relation to sub-case “MSP and Sustainable Blue Economy”, an example of “maripark” planning in Finland will be presented (**Mari Pohja-Mykrä**, Coordinator of the Finnish Maritime Spatial Planning Cooperation)

5. Learning Strand on Data sharing: Minimum dataset for EBA in MSP (initial discussion). (**Berenice Lequesne**, SHOM, France)

Discussion and future planning – a concept of physical workshop on EBA in MSP in cooperation with MSP4BIO project (provisionally in Mariehamn, Åland).

Registration:

You are kindly invited to register to the workshop **by sending an email by the 28th November** to jan.schmidtbauer.crona@havochvatten.se and dmitry.frank-kamenetsky@helcom.fi.

The workshop agenda will be further developed and invitation to Zoom meeting will be circulated to the participants no later than a week before the Workshop 25 November 2022.