

Tuesday, 15 May: STEERING COMMITTEE DAY 1:

- 09:00 – 09:30 **Registration of participants**
- 09:30 – 09:45 **Opening of the meeting and welcome addresses**
The meeting will be opened by a representative of the Ministry of Environment and Urbanization of Turkey, and by co-chairs, the President of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (France) and Mr. Habib El-Habr, the MAP Deputy Coordinator.
- 09:45 – 10:00 **Election of officers**
The meeting shall elect from among the representatives of the members of the Steering Committee two Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur.
Decision: *The meeting's officers elected.*
- 10:00 – 10:15 **Adoption of the agenda of the meeting**
The Provisional Agenda was distributed to the participants. The meeting may wish to adopt the proposed agenda and timetable amended as appropriate. Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be available in all plenary sessions throughout the meeting.
Decision: *Agenda of the meeting adopted*
- 10:15 – 10:30 **Introduction to the meeting: Objectives, structure of the meeting, method of work, expected results**
The participants will be given information on the purpose, objectives, structure, organization, method of work and expected results of the meeting (Mr. Habib El Habr).
Decision: *Meeting's objectives, structure and work methods approved and note taken on expected results.*
- 10:30 – 11:15 **Introduction to the 2011 Annual Report, followed by general discussion**
The 2010-2011 Project Implementation Review (PIR) and the 2011 Annual Report will be presented with a view of informing the members of the Steering Committee on its structure, objectives, background and expected impacts. (Ms. Virginie Hart).
The GEF eligible countries' representatives, as well as representatives of other Mediterranean countries present at the meeting, donors and other participants are expected to briefly reflect on the presentation of the Annual Report. Their suggestions and proposals to improve the project's implementation will be welcome. Countries may also present their position on the current and new priorities in the context of the Mediterranean Sea Large Marine Ecosystem. The UNEP DEPI representative may give its view on how the project's 2011 achievements fit into wider perspective of the UNEP's broader strategy in International Waters (Countries' and donors' representatives).
- 11:15 – 11:45 Coffee break

11:45 – 13:00 **Aquifer, Water and Coastal management: Regional and national highlights followed by discussion**

The achievements and future planning for Component 1 will be presented by UNESCO-IHP, PAP/RAC and GWP-Med (30 minutes). The presentation shall remind Steering Committee on the vision and objectives of the component, to highlight one or two good case studies, and to present the important issues for the Steering Committee to discuss. The focus will be on the progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the MedPartnership. (Mr. Jose Luis Martin-Bordes, Ms. Daria Povh Skugor and Mr. Vangelis Constantianos).

The participants shall discuss the achievements of the Component 1 of the Regional Project of the MedPartnership and propose measures for their improvement.

Decision: *Recommendations and agreement on future planning of Component 1 activities.*

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 15:45 **Pollution reduction from land based sources: Regional and national highlights followed by discussion**

The achievements and future planning for Component 2 will be presented by MEDPOL, UNIDO and CP/RAC (30 minutes). The presentation shall remind Steering Committee on the vision and objectives of the component, to highlight one or two good case studies, and to present the important issues for the Steering Committee to discuss. The focus will be on the progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the MedPartnership. (Ms. Tatjana Hema, Ms. Carolina Gonzalez-Castro, Mr. Enrique de Villamore Martín).

The participants shall discuss the achievements of the Component 2 of the Regional Project of the MedPartnership and propose measures for their improvement.

Decision: *Recommendations and agreement on future planning of Component 2 activities.*

15.45 – 16:15 Coffee break

16:15 – 16:30 **Announcements**

A evening event and dinner in Istanbul will be organised by the Ministry of Environment and Urbanization of Turkey for participants

Wednesday, 16 May: STEERING COMMITTEE DAY 2

09:00 – 10:15 **Marine Protected areas and Fisheries management: Regional and national highlights followed by discussion**

The achievements and future planning for Component 3 will be presented by SPA/RAC, WWF-MedPO and FAO (30 minutes). The presentation shall remind Steering Committee on the vision and objectives of the component, to highlight one or two good case studies, and to present the important issues for the Steering Committee to discuss. The focus will be on the progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the

MedPartnership. (Ms. Souha El Asmi, Mr. Giuseppe Di Carlo, Mr. Pedro de Barros).

The participants shall discuss the achievements of the Component 3 of the Regional Project of the MedPartnership and propose measures for their improvement.

Decision: *Recommendations and agreement on future planning of Component 3 activities.*

10:15 – 10:45

Coordination and stakeholder involvement: Regional and national highlights followed by discussion

The MedPartnership PMU and MIO-ECSDE will present highlights and issues related to the coordination of the MedPartnership (20 minutes), current activities for the involvement of NGOs and future planned activities. The participants shall then discuss the achievements and propose measures for their improvement. (Ms. Virginie Hart, Ms. Thomais Vlachogianni)

Decision: *Recommendations and agreement on future planning of Component 4 activities.*

10:45 - 11:15

Coffee break

11:15 – 11:50

The implementation of the Communication Strategy so far: Results and discussion on future focus

MIO-ECSDE will present highlights and issues related to the communication activities (20 minutes). The participants shall then discuss the achievements and propose measures for their improvement. (Ms. Thomais Vlachogianni)

Decision: *Recommendations and agreement on future planning of communication activities.*

11:50 - 12:30

Introduction to the expanded Mediterranean Environmental Replication Strategy “MEReS”: Presentation of draft and discussion.

Based on recommendations made in the 2nd Steering Committee meeting of the MedPartnership, the replication strategy will coordinate with other EU initiatives (SWIM and Horizon 2020). The proposal for this coordination and provisional plan of activities will be presented (20 minutes) and discussed with participants.

Decision: *Recommendations and agreement on replication strategy and actions.*

12:30 – 13:00

The Sustainable Med: Presentation of achievements

Sustainable Med is a major initiative of the World Bank in the Mediterranean Region and one which is directly related to the implementation of the project, as the Sustainable Med has replaced the Investment Fund. The achievements of Sustainable Med in 2011 will be presented (20 minutes), as well as the current status of activities and prospects in 2012 and subsequent years. (Ms. Nathalie Abu-Ata).

13:00 – 14:30

Lunch break

14:30 – 15:30

Presentation of the 2012 Work-plan

The revised Regional Project's overall work-plan and 2012 work-plan will be presented together with the List of Meetings and events in 2012. Special reference will be made to the changes in the partners' programmes of work (Ms. Virginie Hart).

The participants will discuss the revised Regional Project's overall work-plan and 2012 work-plan and List of Meetings.

Decision: *Revised Regional Project's overall Work-plan and 2012 Work-plan approved.*

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00 – 16:30 **Presentation and adoption of the 2012 budget**
The Regional Project's revised budget will be presented (Mr. Giorgos Petridis), followed by discussion.
Decision: *The Regional Project's revised budget approved*

16:30 – 17.00 **Presentation: Introduction to organizing greener events in the Mediterranean**
CP/RAC will present tools for organizing events in line with sustainability principles and demonstrate the benefits of holding a 'green' event and outlined concepts such as the "Life Cycle" approach and carbon and water footprints, along with the online toolkit: <http://www.sustainableeventstoolkit.net/> (Ms. Maria Serentill)

17:00 – 18:00 **Presentation of MedPartnership Film and iPad and iPhone applications**
The MedPartnership PMU and MIO-ECSDE will present the short film on the MedPartnership and the iPad application, launched at the International Water Conference in Dubrovnik in October 2011, and recently developed iPhone application.

Thursday 17 May STEERING COMMITTEE DAY 3

09:00 – 09.30 **Date and place of the next Coordination Group (CG) and Steering Committee (SC) meeting, and any other business.**
Discussion and proposals on the date and place of the next CG and SC meetings.
Decision: *Date and place of next CG and SC meetings approved.*

09:30– 10.30 **Conclusions and recommendations of the meeting**
Meeting's co-chairs will propose conclusions and recommendations.
Decision: *Conclusions and recommendations adopted.*

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

INCEPTION ACTIVITIES FOR THE “INTEGRATION OF CLIMATIC VARIABILITY AND CHANGE INTO NATIONAL STRATEGIES TO IMPLEMENT THE ICZM PROTOCOL IN THE MEDITERRANEAN”

- 11:00 - 11:15 **Opening of the meeting and welcome addresses**
The Meeting will be opened by Mr Habib el Habr, Deputy Coordinator of UNEP/MAP, who will chair the meeting, and Ms. Kelly West, UNEP.
- 11:15 – 11:30 **Adoption of the agenda of the meeting**
The Provisional Agenda was distributed to the participants. The meeting may wish to adopt the proposed agenda and timetable amended as appropriate. Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be available in all plenary sessions throughout the meeting.
Decision: *Agenda of the Meeting adopted*
- 11:30 – 11:45 **Introduction to the meeting: Objectives, structure of the meeting, method of work, expected results**
The Chairman will introduce Mr. Ivica Trumbic, Regional Advisor to the MedPartnership, who will explain the purpose, objectives, structure, organization, method of work and expected results of the meeting. The objectives of the Inception Phase and Inception Report will be also presented.
Decision: *Meeting’s objectives, structure and work methods approved and note taken on expected results.*
- 11:45 – 12:30 **Introduction to the Roadmap for the Implementation of the Climate Variability Project**
The document Roadmap for the Implementation of the Climate Variability Project will be presented. The document is intended to be the introductory paper for the preparation of the Inception Report. It will outline the main issues of climate variability and change in the Mediterranean, its impacts, and ways and means for its integration into ICZM. It will also present the Roadmap of the project, starting with the finalization of the Inception Report and ending with the completion of project’s activities in 2014. The presentation will be followed by a discussion (Mr. Ivica Trumbic).
Decision: *The Roadmap adopted.*
- 12:30 – 13:00 **Presentation of main regional complementary initiatives**
Main complementary initiatives/projects in the Mediterranean Region, dealing primarily with the issue of climate change and ICZM, will be presented and the possibility for linkages with the Climate Variability Project examined (Mr. Ivica Trumbic).
- 13:00 - 14:30 Lunch break
- 14:30 – 15:30 **Presentation of main national initiatives by country focal points**
Country representatives will present main findings from the national communications on climate change, with an emphasis on coastal areas,

and the state of integration of climate issues in ICZM in their respective countries.

15:30 – 16.00

Presentation of project activities

Project Partners (UNEP-MAP, PAP/RAC, BP/RAC and GWP) will present in components of the project and their revisions including: detailed account of activities, overall work-plan (including detailed first annual work-plan) and overall budget (including detailed first annual budget (Mr. Ivica Trumbic, Ms. Daria Povh, Mr. Antoine Lafitte, Mr. Vangelis Constantianos).

Decision: *Approved overall and 2012 Work-plan and Budget*

16:00 - 16:15

Coffee break

16:15 – 17:30

Presentation of project activities (continued)

17:30 – 17:45

Date and place of the next meeting, and any other business

Discussion and proposals on the date and place of the next SC meeting.

Decision: *Date and place of next SC meeting approved.*

17:45– 18:15

Conclusions and recommendations of the meeting and

Closure of the meeting

Meeting's chair will propose conclusions and recommendations.

Decision: *Conclusions and recommendations adopted.*