



Agenda

Monday 10h-13h00

1. Opening of the meeting - Greetings from local Authorities
2. Election of the Chairman and of the Reporting group
3. Presentation of the agenda and organization of the EC
4. Objectives and expected outputs of the EC by Fabio Massa, Project Coordinator
5. Introduction by Dino Levi, Scientific Coordinator

Monday 14h-17h00

14:00 – 14:45 List and Discussion of terms to be adopted (definitions) (K. Ben Mustapha)

14:45 – 15:00 Short synthesis of the MedSudMed EC on Demersal Resources (Malta, December 2002) (S. Ragonese and T. Bahri)

15:15 – 15:45 *Coffee break*

15:45 – 16:15 **Marine Protected Areas as Fisheries Management tool**
Alfonso Ramos for Copemed Project

16:15 – 16:45 **Overview of the national implementation plan for 6 new MPAs**
Intervener from APAL (Agence pour la Protection du Littoral - Tunis, Tunisia)

16:45 – 17:15 **Case study: the Maltese 25 mile fisheries conservation zone**
Matthew Camilleri (MCFS – Marsaxlokk, Malta)

Tuesday 09h-13h00

09:00 – 09:20 **The Western Marine protected areas in Libya.**
Amer A. Rawag and Daw A. Haddoud (MBRC - Tajura, Libya)

09:20 – 10:20 **The Castellammare experience:**

1. MPAs: the Gulf of Castellammare case study. Environmental features and fishery structure
D'Anna G., Badalamenti F. & Pipitone C. (IRMA-CNR - Castellammare del Golfo, Italy)

2. MPAs: the Gulf of Castellammare case study. Results after ten years of trawling ban. 1. Biological aspects.
Badalamenti F., D'Anna G. & Pipitone C. (IRMA-CNR - Castellammare del Golfo, Italy)

10:20 – 10:40 Coffee break

10:40 – 11:00 The Tunisian proposals of five National action plans for the conservation of the marine and coastal biodiversity

Mohamed Salah Romdhane (INAT, Tunis, Tunisia), Bradai Nejmeddine (INSTM - Sfax, Tunisia), Karim Ben Mustapha (INSTM - Salammbo, Tunisia) and Hechmi Missaoui (INAT - Tunis, Tunisia)*

11:00 – 11:20 Background analysis of the state of the marine biodiversity of the Tunisian coasts and proposal of new area of conservation management: MPAs and ARs (Synthesis of the study of the three Gulfs)

Karim Ben Mustapha (INSTM - Salammbo, Tunisia) and Ahmed Afli (INSTM - Salammbo, Tunisia)

11:20 – 11:40 Monitoring guidelines for the presence of *Caulerpa taxifolia* and *Caulerpa racemosa*:

1. **Monitoring strategy and results** *Habib LANGAR (INSTM, Salammbo, Tunisia), Aslam Jellouli (FST) and Amor EL Abed (INSTM, Salammbo, Tunisia)*
2. **Economical, ecological and fisheries guidelines**, *Adel Gaamour (INSTM, Tunisia) et Skander Ben Salem (INSTM, La Goulette, Tunisia)*

11:40 – 12:00 Small fish discard caused by trawling activities in Gabes gulf (Tunisia)

Jarboui & al. (INSTM -Sfax, Tunisia)

12:00 – 12:20 Mapping natural and man-induced untrawlable grounds in view of managing the fisheries of the Strait of Sicily.

S. Ragonese, G.B. Giusto, M.L. Bianchini and G. Norrito (IRMA-CNR – Mazara del Vallo, Italy)

12:20 – 12:40 Mapping benthic marine habitats in Zembra MPA.

Karim Ben Mustapha (INSTM - Salammbo, Tunisia) , Jerez Pablo (Alicante), Liman Atef and Rais Chadly (MedMPa, Tunis, Tunisia)

12:40 – 13:00 Indicators for monitoring program in new or existing MPAs (Standard data forms)

Rais Chadly (CARASP, Tunis, Tunisia) and Afli Ahmed (INSTM, Salammbo, Tunisia)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 14:20 Overview of the legal status of Fisheries, marine species and MPAs in Tunisia (including area closures, fisheries reserves etc)

Hattour Abdallah (INSTM, Tunis, Tunisia) and Mohamed Salah Romdhane (INAT, Tunis, Tunisia)

14:20 – 14:40 Marine Protected Areas: a tool for the environmental management of natural resources

Michael Sant (MEPA – Floriana, Malta)

14:40 – 15:00 MedSudMed Data Base and Information System

T. Bahri (FAO-MedSudMed)

15:00 – 15:20 Tunisian experience and expertise in GIS and Information System

M. Belhassen (INSTM, Salammbo, Tunisia)

15:20 – 15: 40 Knowledge and Spatial Management Tools for Environmental Sciences

(C. Agius, MEPA – Floriana, Malta)

15:40 – 16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00 – 17:00 **Synthesis of existing knowledge and available information on the issue**

Identification of gaps by topics

Wednesday 09h-13h00

Discussion of the main topics to be addressed on a Fisheries Management perspective (Socio-economical aspects, spill over, ...)

Discussions of practical guidelines for the Project area / Mediterranean