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Marine protected areas
in the Atlantic arc

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1^{re} Conférence du réseau d'aires marines protégées de l'arc atlantique

3 - 6 décembre 2012

Palais des Congrès
Boulevard Veyrier Montagnères
Arcachon, France

First Conference
of the Atlantic Arc
Marine Protected Areas Network

PROGRAMME


Agence des
aires marines protégées

Monday 3rd December

13:30 Meeting, greeting and inscriptions

MAIA Side Event

Marine habitats mapping for MPA management, highlighting MeshAtlantic project results

Chairman: Jacques Populus, MeshAtlantic project manager, Ifremer (France)

14:00 Welcome

14:15 Producing benthic habitat map, *Ibon Galparsoro, AZTI-Tecnalia, San Sebastian (Spain)*

14:30 Q & A

14:40 Video surveying techniques for seafloor habitat mapping, *Fernando Tempera, department of Oceanography and Fisheries, University of the Azores - DOP/UAz (Azores, Portugal)*

14:55 Q & A

15:05 Marine habitat mapping for the enhancement of MPA and Natura 2000 network: MeshAtlantic case study on south west European coasts, *Jorge Gonçalves, CCMAR, Faro University (Portugal)*

15:20 Q & A

15:30 MeshAtlantic – Mapping for Management and Supporting Directives (MSFD / WFD / "Birds" and "Habitats" Directives), *Fergal Mac Grath, Marine Institute, Galway (Ireland)*

15:45 Q & A

16:00 Tea & coffee

16:30 The MeshAtlantic web GIS: what can we find there? *Julie Tourolle, Ifremer (France)*

16:45 Q & A

16:50 CARTHAM, what contributions for managing Marine Protected Areas? *Benjamin Guichard, Agence des aires marines protégées (France)*

17:05 Q & A

17:15 Developing empirical professional fishermen knowledge, what perspective for marine habitats mapping? *Pascale Fossecave, IMA (France)*

17:30 Q & A

17:40 Discussion and feedback. Key points. How to transfer this knowledge to MPA managers and practitioners? Best Use? Cost / Efficiency? Update?

18:30 MAIA welcome cocktail and MAIA exhibition opening

Tuesday 4th December

8:30 Tea & Coffee
Meeting, greeting and inscriptions

MAIA achievements and role in the political context of the Atlantic arc

9:00 Welcome
Olivier Laroussinie, Director of the Agence des aires marines protégées (France)

Session 1: the MAIA project outputs

Chairman: Purificación Canal, MedPAN network

9:30 Introduction to the MAIA project, *Laurent Germain, Agence des aires marines protégées (France)*

9:45 Understanding the legislative drivers that have shaped the MPA network of the Atlantic area, *Laurent Germain, Agence des aires marines protégées (France)*

10:00 Q & A

10:05 Developing common monitoring strategies in MPAs, *Yorgos Stratoudakis, IPIMAR (Portugal)*

10:30 Q & A

10:35 Tea & coffee

11:00 Status of MPA management plans in the Atlantic arc, *Xunta Galicia, Conselleria do Mar (Spain)*

11:25 Q & A

11:30 Experiences and lessons learned in involving international stakeholders in MPA planning and management, *Jon Davis, JNCC (UK)*

11:55 Q & A

12:00 Discussion and feedback. Key points for success of such cooperation project. Presentation of the MAIA project's evaluation questionnaire

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch time

Session 2: MPA practitioners and stakeholders expectations for the future

14:00 Working groups

Session 3: MAIA connections with European policies and Regional Conventions

Chairman: Helena Maria Gregório Pina Calado, Departamento de Biologia, Campus Universitário de Ponta Açores, (Portugal)

16:30 MAIA achievements for European and Regional policies implementation. *Laurent Germain, Agence des aires marines protégées (France)*

17:00 MAIA connections with European policies and regional convention (Round table)

- David Johnson on behalf of Dr Darius Campbell, OSPAR Executive Secretary
- Fotios Papoulias, DG ENVI – Nature and Biodiversity, European Commission
- Luis Cuervo Spottorno, DG MARE – Maritime Policy – Atlantic, outermost regions and Arctic, European Commission
- Laurent Germain, Agence des aires marines protégées (France)

17:45 Summary & Close

MAIA Side Event

Announcement of the IUCN categories assignation to the French Atlantic MPAs

18:30 French IUCN Committee (IUCN Experts)

19:00 End of the day

20:00 MAIA official dinner
Restaurant Diego
2 boulevard Veyrier Montagnères
Registration required



Wednesday 5th December

8:30 Tea & Coffee
Meeting, greeting and inscriptions

Improve cooperation to promote the deployment of a well-managed MPA network in the Atlantic arc

Session 4 : Cooperation and collaboration in managing and planning high seas, off shore and cross borders MPAs

Chairman: Sébastien Mabile, Docteur en Droit public, droit de l'environnement

8:45 Introduction to the session

9:00 International stakeholder's involvement in offshore MPAs

• Benoit Guerin, Executive Secretary of the South Western Waters Regional Advisory Council (SWW RAC)

• Alexandre Rodriguez, North Western Waters Regional Advisory Council (NWW RAC)

9:15 Q & A

9:20 International stakeholder's involvement in high seas MPAs, Gwenaëlle Le Gurun, International Seabed Authority (ISA)

9:35 Q & A

9:40 Parc marin international des Bouches de Bonifacio experience (Corsica, France): creation of a European group for territorial cooperation to co-manage the Bouches de Bonifacio cross border MPA between France and Italy, Maddy Cancemi, Parc marin international des Bouches de Bonifacio director (France)

9:55 Q & A

10:35 Tea & coffee

10:30 Introduction to the round table: shared habitats and species, shared management

• Laurent Germain, Agence des aires marines protégées (France)

• Annabelle Aish, Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle (France)

11:00 What kind of tools to enhance high seas, off shore and cross border MPAs planning and management considering international stakeholders involvement? (Round table)

Expert witness : José Antonio Ruiz De Casas, Desk Officer, DG Regional Policy, Unit European Transnational and Interregional Cooperation, Atlantic Forum, European Commission

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch time

Session 5: Perspectives for the MAIA network

Chairman : Rob Angell

14:00 Introduction to the session

Olivier Musard, Agence des aires marines protégées, (France)

14:05 Importance of human networks in implementing ecological network, MedPAN MPA managers network experiences and lessons learned. Medpan network experience, Purificación Canal, MedPAN Network

14:25 Q & A

14:35 Rampao network experience, Dominique Duval-Diop, Secretary General Regional Network of Marine Protected areas in West Africa (RAMPAO)

14:50 Q & A

15:05 Tea & coffee

15:30 A forward vision for the MAIA network and open discussion

Final conclusion

16:30 Conclusion of the 1st conference of the Atlantic arc MPAs network - Introduction to the 3rd International Marine Protected Areas Congress (October 2013, Marseille, France), Olivier Laroussinie, Director of the Agence des aires marines protégées (France)

17:00 Explanation of plans for the next day (site visits)

Thursday 6th December

Site visits

6:30 Visit to the Arcachon fish auction

8:15 Meeting at the Arcachon Marina for the morning visits

13:00 Lunch at the restaurant
The Cercle de voile d'Arcachon

14:00 Departure for the afternoon visit

16:30 End of the day



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SYNTHETIC PROGRAMME

	Monday 3 rd December 2012	Tuesday 4 th December 2012	Wednesday 5 th December 2012	Thursday 6 th December 2012
		First Conference of the Atlantic Arc Marine Protected Areas Network		
Morning		9:00 Session 1 MAIA project outputs	9:00 Session 4 MAIA connections with European policies and Regional Conventions	06:30 Visit to the Arcachon fish auction 08:15 Meeting at the Arcachon Marina for the morning visits
		Free Lunch		Lunch in the restaurant of the Cercle de voile d'Arcachon (CVA).
Afternoon	14:00 MAIA Side Event Marine habitats mapping for MPA management in cooperation with the MeshAtlantic Project	14:00 Session 2 MPA practitioners and stakeholders expectations for the future MAIA network - Working groups 16:30 Session 3 MAIA connections with European policies and Regional Conventions 18:30 MAIA Side Event French IUCN Committee	14:00 Session 5 Perspectives for the MAIA network	Afternoon visit
Evening	18:30 Press Conference MAIA welcome cocktail and exhibition opening	MAIA Official Dinner		

No fees required but compulsory registration on www.maia-network.org

LANGUAGES

The conference will be translated simultaneously in French, Spanish, English and Portuguese.

PARTICIPANTS

MAIA project partners, MPA managers and stakeholders, decision makers for MPA planning and management, competent institutional representatives, organisations, academics.

