

Status of MSP implementation in Italy

Legislative Decree n. 201, 17 October 2016, transposing the EU MSP Directive

Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport

- ✓ Competent Authority
- ✓ Annual report to the Parliament on the achievement of the objectives identified by the Decree
- ✓ Monitoring of the implementation of the MSP Plans, with the support of the Technical Committee

Inter-Ministerial Coordination Table

- ✓ Guidelines on criteria for preparing Maritime Spatial Plans
- ✓ Identification of 3 sub-areas corresponding to the sub-regions of the MSFD
- ✓ IMELS

Technical Committee

- ✓ Elaboration of the MSP Plans
- ✓ Initial phase: there is currently no legally-binding MSP plan for Italy
- ✓ Priority: initial recognition of the data and information relevant to MSP
- ✓ IMELS

Guidelines on criteria for preparing Maritime Spatial Plans Legislative Decree 1st Dec 2017

- ✓ Identification of the ecosystem approach as the main mechanism for the correct implementation of MSP, to ensure a connecting role between the MSP and the MSFD/ECAP
 - ✓ Two levels: Strategic and Functional/procedural
- ❖ **Strategic**: appropriate integration and application of the environmental objectives in the MSPs content, by ensuring the alignment with the MSFD GES and Targets (recently updated)
- ❖ **Functional/procedural**: application of the SEA as the operational tool that can concretely define how the Ecosystem approach should be integrated and used for the definition of the MSP plans, with a particular consideration for transboundary processes and contents

Links of MSP with land-use planning and/or ICZM

- ✓ The process of adoption of the ICZM Protocol is on-going
- ✓ Some ICZM regional plans have already been developed
- ✓ Italian Adriatic and Ionian regions have been involved in MSP exercises developed within ADRIPLAN, Supreme and SimWestmed projects
- ✓ Italian support to the development of the Common Regional Framework for ICZM

Main MSP needs of Italy – Transboundary needs

Official data and Information



Finalize their collection and organization



Carry out their evaluation and processing identifying the main gaps, the main issues and the related possible connected actions