

## Objectives

The specific objectives of the project are :

- ◆ Assess whether and how MSP plans have considered the EGD objectives
- ◆ Assess what are the major gaps, challenges and trade-offs in mainstreaming EGD into MSP
- ◆ Identify and exchange valuable practises of incorporation of EGD elements in MSP plans
- ◆ Identify, design and start implementing additional actions to strengthen the implementation of EGD-related objectives
- ◆ Provide recommendations to EU countries on how to use MSP in fostering the achievement of the EGD goals
- ◆ Engage regional sea communities including non-EU countries – in a dialogue on the EGD ambition and the role of marine planning for a Sustainable Blue Economy



The Sea horizon, is green.

## Partnership

The partnership of MSP-GREEN is composed of 12 institutions that are Competent Authorities or endorsed entities in MSP from 7 different countries: Italy, Spain, France, Bulgaria, Finland, Latvia, Germany.



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Maritime Spatial Planning as enabler of the  
European Green Deal

The new project MSP-GREEN contributes to align maritime spatial plans to the ambition of the EGD by creating a framework for plans as marine enablers of the EGD. The framework will provide a cross-cutting approach to the EGD key topics relevant for marine environment and sustainable transition of blue economy: climate change, circular blue economy, marine biodiversity, marine renewable energies, sustainable food provision.

Recommendations on how to strengthen the EGD ambition of EU MSP plans will be prepared. The sea basins' dimension will be promoted by considering environmental, socio-economic, and cultural specificities also, via dedicated Ocean Literacy driven communication.

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## Structure and scope

The project is structured around five Work packages:

**WP1 “Project management and coordination”** leads the project to operational and financial achievements

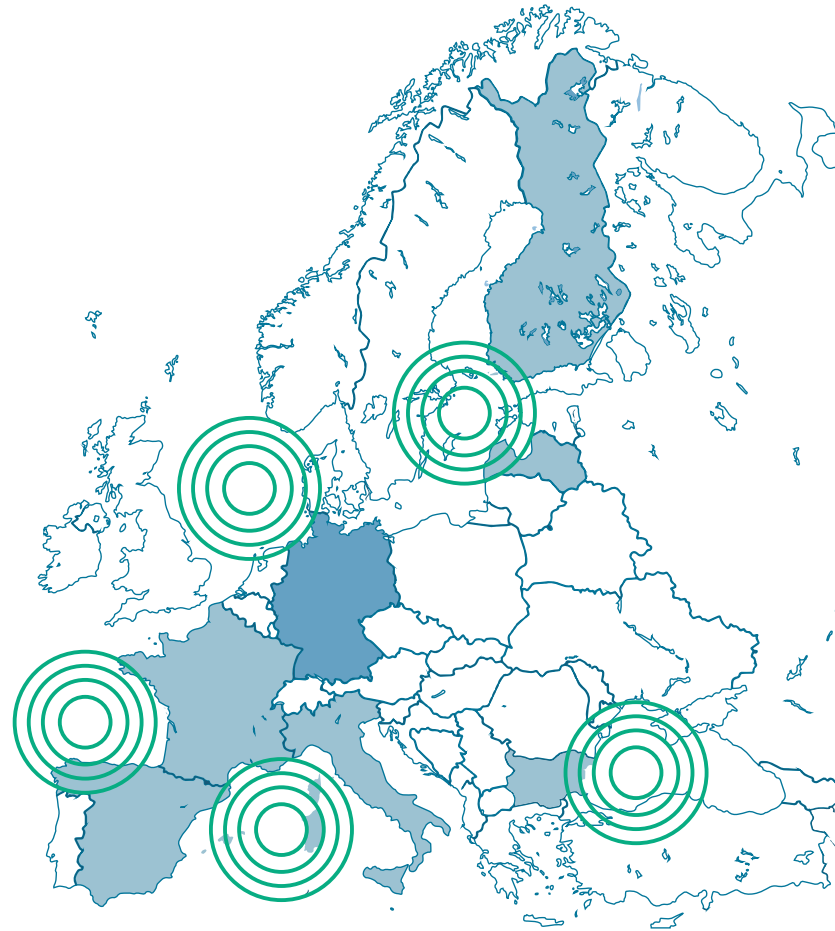
**WP2 “Analysis and evaluation of EGD ambition integration into MSP plans”** evaluates whether and how MSP plans have considered the EGD objectives and identify the major gaps. (Feeding WP3 and WP4).

**WP3 “Strengthening MSP contribution to EGD”** fosters the role of national MSP Plans in contributing to EGD objectives (WP2). (Feeding WP4).

**WP4 “Towards a Greener MSP for Europe: scaling-up and innovating”** gathers the outcomes from WP2 and WP3 and elaborate them to be shared across the EU and the sea-basins. Recommendations will be prepared, addressed to EU MSP Authorities of the five regional sea-basins.

**WP5 “Communication and dissemination”** shares project outcomes and promote MSP, the EMFAF actions and maritime EGD.

The project considers **five sea basins**: the Mediterranean Sea, the Black Sea, the Atlantic Ocean, the North Sea and the Baltic Sea.



The project will run from **November 2022** to **November 2024**.

Total budget of the project, co-funded at 80% by the European Maritime Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund is of: **1 933 490.03 €**

## Topics

Based on a cross-cutting approach, MSP-GREEN will systematically investigate the **most relevant key marine and maritime pillars of the EGD**:

**Carbon neutrality**, including production of marine renewable energy, contribution of maritime sectors to climate change mitigation and protection and restoration of blue habitats

**Climate change adaptation** of ecosystems and maritime and coastal activities

**Sustainable sea-food production** (i.e. through aquaculture, incl. macroalgae production, sustainable fisheries etc.)

**Biodiversity and ecosystem protection**, including marine habitat restoration

**Circular economy** in the diverse maritime sectors

**Zero pollution**

Additional, horizontal components of the EGD as just, fair and inclusive transition will be addressed across all the analysed topics.



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