



PAP RAC, Mediterranean ICZM Protocol and Coastal Plan for Šibenik-Knin County in Croatia

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ICZM is a dynamic process for the sustainable management and use of coastal zones, taking into account at the same time the fragility of coastal ecosystems and landscapes, the diversity of activities and uses, their interactions, the maritime orientation of certain activities and uses and their impact on both the marine and land parts.



Coastal Population 122 million



1989...



the Coastal Area Management Programmes (CAMPs),

1989 MAP's programmes for sustainable coastal management are launched

In 2001 time had come to take one further step to ensure more effective application – to develop and adopt a legally binding regional instrument





Coastal Population 140 million

ICZM Protocol

2001...

Madrid, January 2008 Protocol signed

a unique legal instrument internationally

the first, and a model for other regional seas

 15 signatories
 11 ratifications (Slovenia, France, Spain, Albania, EU, Syria, Croatia, Montenegro, Morocco, Israel and Lebanon)

Entered into force in 2011





Coastal Population 153 million

2011...



ICZM Protocol



ARTICLE 8: PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF THE COASTAL ZONE

.. Parties shall establish in coastal zones, as from the highest winter waterline, a zone where construction is not allowed. Taking into account, inter alia, the areas directly and negatively affected by climate change and natural risks, this zone may not be less than 100 meters in width, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (b) below. Stricter national measures determining this width shall continue to apply.

ARTICLE 18: NATIONAL COASTAL STRATEGIES, PLANS AND PROGRAMMES

.. Each Party shall further strengthen or formulate a national strategy for integrated coastal zone management and coastal implementation plans and programmes ... which may be selfstanding or integrated in other plans and programmes, shall specify the orientations of the national strategy and implement it at an appropriate territorial level ...





Mediterranean – "medius terrae"

- Around 33% of the population concentrated in coastal regions, on less than 12% of surface*
- South-east and North population distribution changed form 41% in 1960' to 60% today**
- Average income per capita in south-east 4.6 times lower than north***
- Largest global destination with 1/3 of the world tourists, half of which reside on the coast
- Most of countries experienced an overall increase in international tourism receipts*
- The HDI constantly progressed since 1990, but all countries had an Ecological Deficit in 2012*
- Total water use efficiency from 2005-2010 lies between 40% and more than 80%*
- . 80% of total pollution affecting the Mediterranean sea is from land-based sources
- identified as one of the main climate change global hotspots; "highly vulnerable to climate change and will suffer multiple stresses and systemic failures due to climate changes" ****

* Plan Bleu (2013)

- ** UNEP/MAP/MEDPOL (2005)
- *** EEA-UNEP/MAP: Horizon 2020 (2014)
- **** IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (2013-2014): Impacts, Adaptation, and Vulnerability. Part B: Regional Aspects. Chapter 21.5.1.2. Hotspots





- Average municipal solid waste production in north is twice as much as the south-east, but the rate of the solid waste management treatment is around 97% in north, while this rate for SE is not known. For example in Egypt it is 19%, for Palestine 31%, Jordan 50% and Lebanon 70%. As for the treatment, 50% disposed at open dumps.*
- In some tourist areas, more than 75% of annual waste production is generated during the summer*
- Global carbon footprint of tourism is about 4 times larger than previously thought, causing about
 8% of GHG emissions.**
- The carbon flows between 160 countries from 2009 2013 were identified and found out that tourism related emissions increased by cca 15% over that period.**
- On per-capita basis small island destinations have the highest per-capita footprints; tourists are responsible for 30-80% of the national emissions of island economies.**



^{*} Horizont 2020 **Manfred Lenzen, Ya-Yen Sun, Futu Faturay, Yuan-Peng Ting, Arne Geschke, Arunima Malik **The carbon footprint of global tourism**. *Nature Climate Change*, 2018; DOI: 10.1038/s41558-018-0141-x











Barcelona Convention

7 Protocols:

Dumping Protocol LBS Protocol SPA Protocol Prevention and Emergency Offshore Hazardous Wastes ICZM Protocol Marine litter regional plan

Regional Climate Change Adaptation Framework for the Mediterranean Marine and Coastal Areas

- The number of parties where the protocols are entered into force is from 7 to 21.
- ICZM Protocol: Article 8) "Setback article"; article 12) Islands; article 18) Coastal strategies and plans; article 20) Land policies and notion of carrying capacity (6, 9 18, 19)
- Countries lack sustainable and regular funding for biodiversity and ecosystem protection*
- * Plan Bleu (2013)

Coastal Population 174 million **2025...**





Coastal Plan for the Šibenik-Knin County

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WHAT IS A COASTAL PLAN?



- a guide towards sustainable development and towards building resilience to climate change
- based on the Article 18 of the ICZM Protocol
- adopted in ŠK County Assembly in 2016
- a new generation plan, one of the few around the Mediterranean





ABOUT ŠIBENIK-KNIN COUNTY

- 10% of the territory under some form of protection
- 19% of all Croatian islands; cca.30% of nautical tourism revenues
- First and the largest wind power company
- 77% of Croatia's average per capita income
- 0.54% of the agricultural land is irrigated
- experiencing floods in winter, shortage of water in summer months
- high seasonality of tourism, combined with limited economic opportunities...
- Short peak season dictates the dimensions of the whole infrastructure





WHO WILL BEAR THE COST?





WHY A COASTAL PLAN?

DIVA assessment for Croatia shows that the highest expected damages of sea floods in • Croatia in 2100 are expected in Zadar and Šibenik.



Expected damages caused by the sea flooding



- Local Assessment of Vulnerability shows that tourism, agriculture, fisheries and aquaculture, • water management, forest fires, human health & cultural heritage are likely to be affected by CVC.
- Still, the greatest potential impacts will be on coastal assets. •







WHO ARE WE CONSTRUCTING FOR?





COASTAL PLAN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS





COASTAL PLAN FOR ŠIBENIK-KNIN COUNTY





MEASURES: SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT

- I Preservation of integrated landscape values of the coastal area;
- II Improvement of the built-up landscape quality;
- III Securing a rational use of coastal land; and
- IV Capacity building







MEASURES: NARROW COASTAL BELT





- Adaptation of the existing coastal objects, waterfronts, marinas and entire coastal infrastructure, including beaches, promenades, etc. to the sea-level rise and extreme weather events;
- II Protection of hydro-dynamic features of the coastal sea, biodiversity and positive natural processes of sediment transport; and

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III Integration of these considerations in planning and realisation of any coastal intervention

MEASURES: WATER MANAGEMENT





- I Secure sufficient quantity and good quality of water for all purposes;
- II Improve quality of wastewater disposal;
- III Secure protection against flooding and droughts;
- IV Ensure quality of water infrastructure management; and
- V Ensure integrated approach to the management of all waters of the river basin and the coastal zone.

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PRIORITY LOCATIONS





Integrated projects:

- solving rain water & sea floods in an integrated manner
- Innovations
- Bringing back permeable surfaces
- Applying green infrastructure measures
- Fighting against urban heat islands
- Improvement of the built-up landscape quality



CONCLUDING REMARKS



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- Coastal Plan represents a platform for building resilience and sustainable coastal future for the Šibenik-Knin County
- A new Coastal Committee will be a key leader in this endeavour
- Members of the Coastal Committee trough joint development of the Coastal Plan experienced the benefits of integrated approach
- Coastal Plans and Strategies are a tool that may mobilise actors in defining the coastal future we want, in defining the strategies how to get there, and in leading us to make the future that we want – to happen.
- Integrated approach enables to take on board adaptation and mitigation measures.
- Participatory approach enables raising awareness, one of the key prerequisites and most needed ingredient for facing the challenge of climate change.





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