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How to plan for a Sustainable Blue Economy?

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Session 4: How can synergies between  
maritime sectors be promoted through MSP?



# **MSP from the Coastal and Maritime Tourism perspective: the Emilia-Romagna Region case study**

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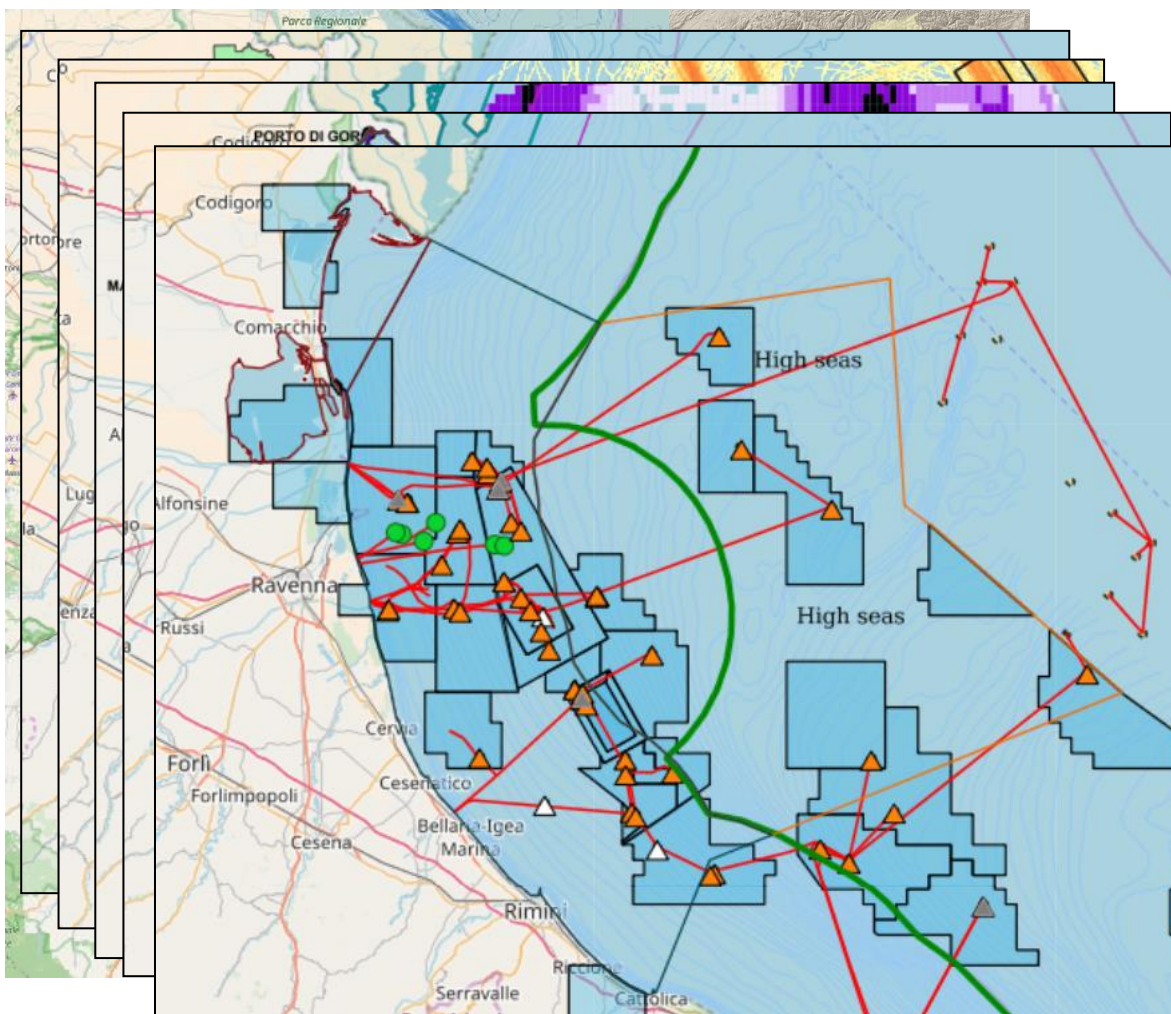
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# The Emilia-Romagna (RER) Coast – Facts and Figures



- 120 km of coastline
- 14 municipalities
- 526.000 residents
- 38.000.000 overnight stays
- 24 marinas with 6.250 berths
- 1 commercial port (Ravenna)
- 9 fishing ports and 650 fishing boats
- Intensive aquaculture (40.000 t/y mussels and clams)
- 60 Gas extraction Platforms and Terminals



# Trends of Tourism in the area

- Increase of arrivals and overnight stays
- Decrease of average length of stay
- Diversification of the touristic offer (not only *beach & sun*, a mature sector)
- Distribution of the touristic offer on wider areas (enlarge Destinations)
- Deseasonalisation
- Recovery of the nautical sector
- Wide area branding (Northern Adriatic, EUSAIR brand)



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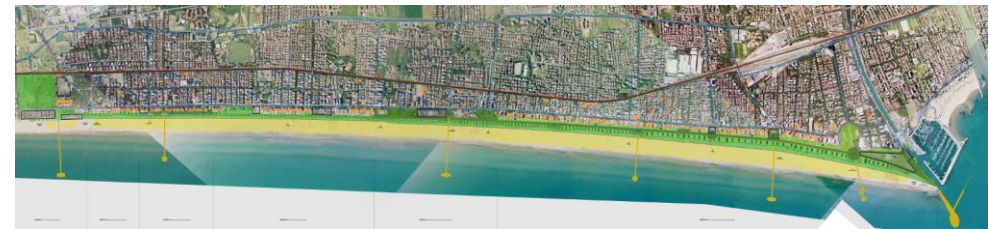
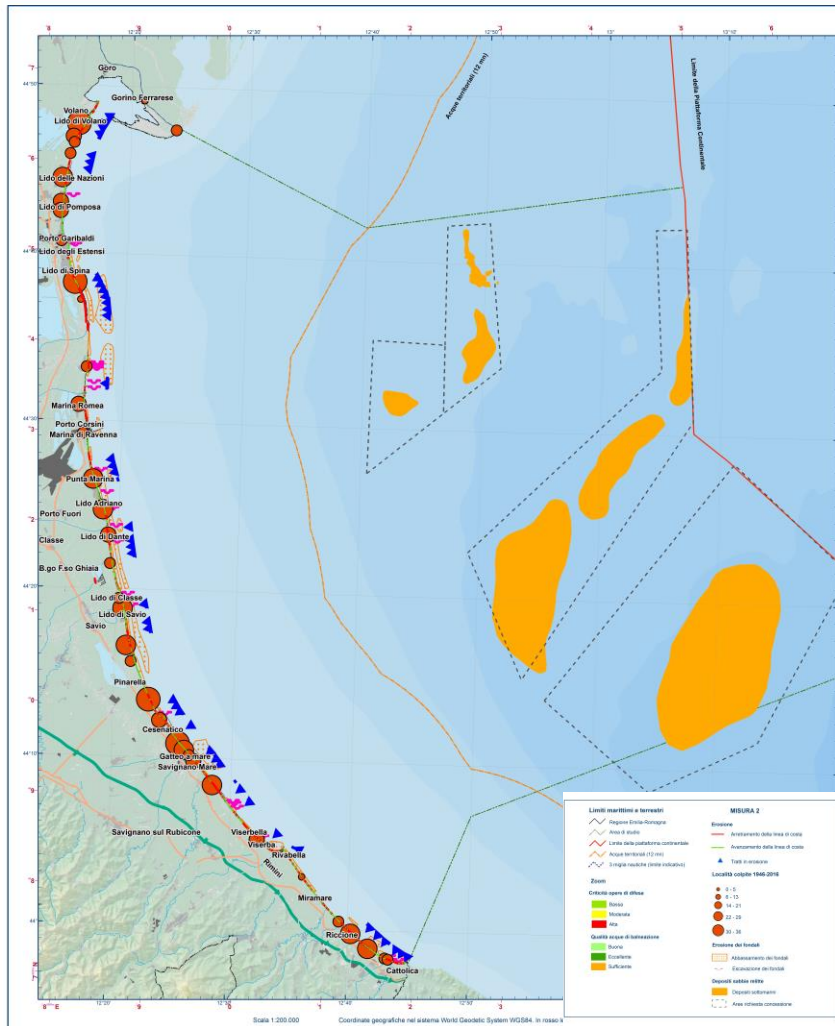
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# Synergies with onshore activities and coastal defense

- Land-Sea Interactions
- Climate Change Scenarios and adaptation plans
- Onshore Spatial Planning and valorization (incl. Infrastructures)



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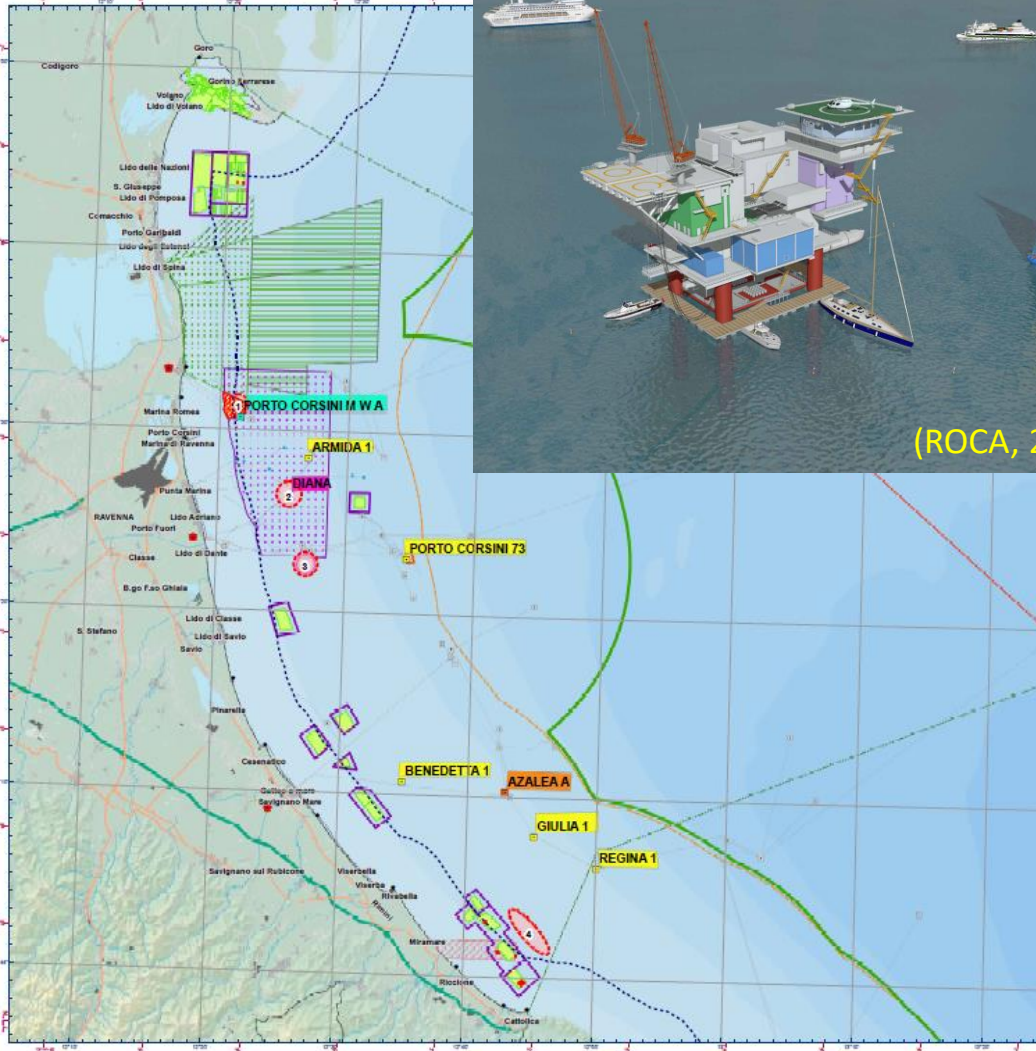
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- A group of people are on a small white boat with blue stripes, floating on the ocean. They appear to be participating in a marine conservation activity, possibly related to the 'Blue Planet' project mentioned in the text. The boat is equipped with ropes and buoys, and the water is a deep blue-green color. The sky is clear and blue.

# Synergies with Oil & Gas



**Coexistence without conflicts since the 60's (not considering induced subsidence)**

- **Operating Platforms:** env monitoring; mussel farming; recreational fisheries; use of fishery fleet for ass. & maint.
- **Decommissioned Platforms:** potential multi-uses (aquaculture, renewables, recreational); artificial reefs and related touristic uses



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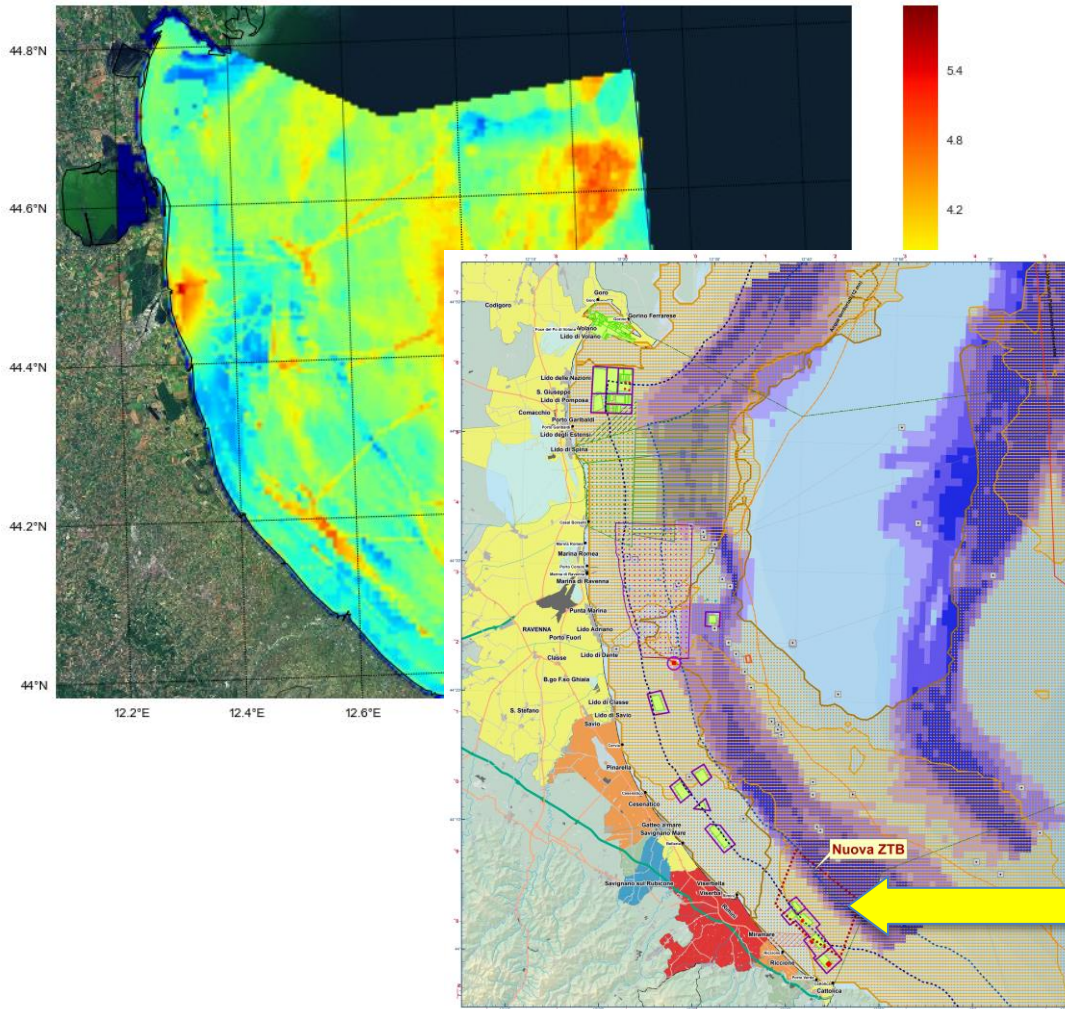
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# Synergies with Environmental Protection



Provided that all uses should reduce their impacts on ecosystems, and that a good environmental quality is a must for all touristic activities...

specific protection measures can activate specific synergies with tourism (recreational fisheries, diving, nautical, ecotourism)

- Regulated fishery areas (BPZ)
- Artificial reefs (in ATB or SCI)



# What are the enabling factors for delivering such synergies through MSP?

**Not only an issue of spatial demands and spatial planning**, but of overall improved synergies among sectors, for mutual benefits and according to a shared vision.

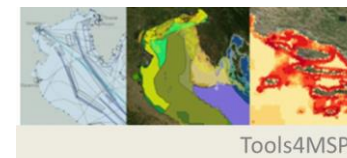
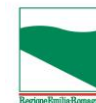
## Five Key Enabling Factors:

- Consistent Vision, Management Objectives, Measures (*actually, the Plan*)
- Coupled / coordinated land and sea planning (*LSI*)
- Safeguarding environmental objectives (*water quality, ecosystems*) and landscape
- Full engagement of all stakeholders (*several sectors involved; many small-to-medium size stakeholders*)
- Dialogue and proactive attitude of central and local administrations, promoting dialogue among the sectors and sustaining actions (*Governance*)

# Thank you for your attention

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