Technical Meeting on MSSD Monitoring, Dashboard and Indicators

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Objectives of the meeting

To continue the design of

- a new monitoring process
- a dashboard for the MSSD 2.0.

To collect opinions and ideas on:

- The process needed for an efficient monitoring of the MSSD 2.0
- An useful dashboard based on a core set of relevant indicators
Build on existing experiences

The existing systems inc Infomap,

The existing indicators sets, targets and goals:

- **SDG** for the global level
  [http://unsdsn.org/resources/publications/indicators/](http://unsdsn.org/resources/publications/indicators/)

- ECAP indicators, Pollution indicators for the Mediterranean region.

- MSSD 1.0 indicators
Inter-Agency and Expert Group on the SDG Indicators Possible timeline

- 1–2 June 2015: First meeting of the IAEG-SDGs
- June/July 2015: First round of consultations
- July 2015: Review of status of discussion and decision on next steps
- August/September 2015: Second round of consultations
- September 2015: Discussion of open issues
- 25–27 September 2015: UN Summit to adopt the post-2015 Development Agenda
- October 2015: Third round of consultations
- October/November 2015: Second meeting of the IAEG-SDGs – Finalisation of the indicator proposal
- 8–11 March 2016: 47th Session of the UN Statistical Commission
- March 2016: Third meeting of the IAEG-SDGs
In synergy with existing initiatives and projects

This initiative have to consider the international projects and programs such as SEIS (Shared Environment Information System) in order to strengthen the efforts and the capacities of the Mediterranean countries in providing and sharing the information for monitor the progress of the sustainable development in the region.
What to monitor?

- The implementation of the actions recommended in the MSSD: the level of implementation and gaps in the objectives in terms of actions (for example, the number of countries complying with an action).
- The progress of sustainable development issues: A sustainability dashboard in relation to the objectives in terms of sustainability (for example, reduction in greenhouse gas emissions).

Both
What kind of Indicators?

Performance or projects indicators for monitoring the actions promoted in the MSSD / objectives of the implementation of the actions

A core set of indicators related to the MSSD actions: Project or Performance Indicators (PI)

Indicators for monitoring the progress in terms of sustainable development / SD goals:

A core set of indicators (~40 indicators) related to SD Issues: Sustainable Development Indicators (SDI)

Both
A core set of indicators related to the MSSD actions PI

210 indicators are already proposed in the MSSD according 29 strategic directions:

Most of these indicators (180) are expressed in Nb of Med countries having implemented the action, status of projects ...

They need to be complemented by a description of these actions.

Who will provide these indicators? The MCSD FP?

What next when a country has implemented the action?

What next when 100% of the Med countries have implemented the action

Need to be complemented by some SD indicators
A core set of indicators related to the SD progress

30 indicators are already proposed in the MSSD (see also the list proposed by Maltese experts)

In link with the MSSD 1.0 indicators, the MDGs and the SDGs.

Need for a selection process with selection criteria, related to the Issues/policies
SDGs indicators selection criteria: Relevance and availability are the main criteria for a concrete monitoring

1. Relevant:
   Linked to the target, Policy relevant, Applicable at the appropriate level of monitoring; Consistent with international law

2. Methodologically sound:
   Based on sound methodology; Tested to be valuable; Coherent and complementary to other indicators in the framework.

3. Measurable:
   Sustainable and of high quality; Allowing disaggregation; Managed by one or more responsible agencies

4. Easy to communicate and access:
   Easy to interpret and communicate; Easily accessible.

5. Limited in number and outcome focused at the global level
   Limited in number; Flexible; Outcome focused
MSSD indicators versus SDGs indicators

Differences with SDGs indicators:
1. SDGs are mainly National issues
2. MSSD issues are mainly “sea and coastal” issues

- Avoid duplications
- Strengthen complementarities
What kind of dashboard?

A core set of indicators presented graphically?

A communication tool easy to communicate to general public

A monitoring tool useful to strengthen, to reorient the actions

Both
How to monitor?

Who will be in charge of the monitoring process?

MoE, Observatories, MCSD Members

How to convince the contracting parties and the stakeholders:

1. To contribute to the monitoring

2. To provide or to share data and information for the calculation of the indicators

3. How to organise this contribution at the national and subnational levels

Without any reporting obligations
A dashboard is a graphic representation of the most useful indicators, a small number of indicators.

An information system could be a comprehensive set of data.

The Dashboard could be an extract of the Information system.

Don’t wait for a comprehensive set of data

Need to prioritise on the indicators
How to proceed for the population of the indicators: Monitoring process

**Short term**
- the best available data (national and international)

**Long term**
- National compilation and reporting

**Global modelling or estimates**
Next steps

1. Setting up a working group with national and international experts for the selection of a core set of indicators

2. Confirm the selection and the data availability using questionnaires/interviews

3. Start with data easily available/accessible in the international agencies, national agencies and in the modelling exercises

4. Start to share existing data/information and indicators among countries (using Infomap and MAP Reporting System)

5. Strengthening the data sharing among the national institutions on the indicators in synergy with the
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