

1. European Legislation



2. Research on integration challenges



3. Contributions to real-life practice

Influence ongoing MSP processes



Transnational impacts



Training the next generation



Using new tools



Impacts beyond the Baltic Sea Region



1 In Poland, the study of fishermen's experiences and opinions generated a better understanding of how to involve fishers in the MSP process currently underway.

Through participating in various events, the project provided input for the work of transnational MSP institutions, such as the HELCOM-VASAB Working Group on MSP. Patterns of transboundary interaction were analysed, and recommendations were made for sharing and transferring MSP experience more effectively.

A one-week summer school was organised in Klaipeda in August-September 2016 with the aim of training young researchers and professionals in analysing how trans-boundary integration challenges play out in various MSP situations. Besides gaining new knowledge, the students expanded their network.

A range of tools and approaches have been assessed to assist planners on how to address integration challenges. **3** Marxan was used to identify MPAs in Denmark, and a new tool "Spatial Economic Benefit Analysis" was developed which is able to map the distribution of economic benefits associated with specific maritime uses.

Results are currently informing the development of MSP in Namibia through a project facilitated by the German Development Corporation GIZ. Information is shared on a broader sustainability perspective, transboundary integration and stakeholder participation.

Using Marxan to identify prospective Marine Protected Areas in Denmark

Analysing the alignment between federal and regional MSP

Increasing trust of Polish fishermen by analysing stakeholder expertise and fostering dialogue