



Advancing MSP at National Level: National MSP Training

25 November 2025

From **25 to 28 November 2025**, a series of interconnected events will take place in Tunis, bringing together national and regional stakeholders to advance **Marine Spatial Planning (MSP)** as a strategic tool for sustainable maritime governance in the Mediterranean. These activities are organised under the framework of the UNEP/MAP - **Barcelona Convention**, the [MEDIGREEN project](#), the [MED-MSP Community of Practice \(CoP\)](#), and the [WestMED Initiative](#), and aim to foster capacity building, technical exchange, and regional cooperation.

Organised by **PAP/RAC on 25 November, National Training on MSP** will provide Tunisian institutions with targeted training on MSP, exploring how MSP builds on Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) and strengthens national efforts towards a sustainable Blue Economy. Through expert insights and Mediterranean case studies, participants will discuss:

- The linkages between ICZM and MSP governance
- MSP tools and their role in shaping the Blue Economy
- Opportunities for biodiversity protection, fisheries and OECMs through MSP

The workshop is by invitation only and is designed for Tunisian institutions engaged in marine and coastal management. It offers a unique opportunity to deepen understanding of MSP tools and practices while embedding them into the broader regional and global policy frameworks guiding the Mediterranean.



INITIAL AGENDA

25 November 2025	
9.00 – 11:00	1. Setting the Scene <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Welcome & Opening Remarks – Purpose and Objectives of the Workshop
	2. Foundations of Marine Spatial Planning (MSP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – From ICZM to MSP: Building on a Solid Coastal Foundation – Diving into MSP: Concepts, Tools and Relevance – Protecting Biodiversity through MSP: Why It Matters – Towards an Integrated Governance Framework for MSP and ICZM in Tunisia
	<i>Q&A</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Caffe Break
11:30 – 13:00	3. MSP in Action: Countries carrousel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – From Insight to Action: Perspectives on MSP for Tunisia – Italy: The Strait of Sicily – Addressing Land-Sea Interactions through MSP – Spain: A Practical Example of Effective MSP Governance and Implementation – Türkiye: From Training to Practice – Linking ICZM and MSP in Izmir Bay
	<i>Q&A</i>
13:00 – 14:00	Light Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	4. MSP Challenge game
16:00 – 16:30	5. Closing Reflections and Final Discussions