

Draft Marine Research Plan, Atlantic Remarks on economic dimension

- Focus on: Marine economic assessment (5.4.1)
 - Rightly mentioned as a cross-cutting approach
 - Methodology: indicators, models, non-market values: very broad picture. Need for being more specific.
- Proposal:
 - Mention links with many marine topics, including:
 - Marine Leisure and Tourism: § 5.3.6 (OK) but also:
 - MSFD
 - GMES and marine components
 - R&D and Maritime Clusters
 - CO2 impacts & mitigation
 - Refer to Maritime Basin Approach

Linkage with marine topics

➤ MSFD

- Article 8.1 requires Economic & Social Analysis.
- WG on Economic & Social Assessment published Guidance in 2010:
 - Economic analysis of marine water uses, cost of degradation, valuation methods

➤ GMES / marine components (e.g. InterRisk), operational oceanography (GOOS)

- Under public budget constraints
- Costs and benefits from observing systems and data
 - Natural and industry hazards : costs and avoided costs
 - System Cost Sharing: data providers/processors/end users

Linkage with marine topics

- R&D and maritime clusters
 - Performance of clusters: critical. Need for:
 - Economic data : size of clusters, products, benchmark
 - Assessment of economic impacts on industry (complex issue)
- CO2 & Climate Change: mitigation and impacts
 - Linked to GMES topic and maritime clusters
- Maritime Basin Approach (Atlantic, Baltic, N Sea, West Med)
 - Backdrop: refer to EU maritime economy database (Integrated Maritime Policy 2007, action 6.5 of Action Plan 2008-2010)
 - Analyse economic growth generated by Maritime Basins
 - Combine Sector and Spatial dimensions
 - Link with MSFD, through Maritime Basin water uses