

Establishing a stakeholder cooperation and coordination platform for implementing Ecosystem-Based Integrated Coastal Zone Management (EB-ICZM) in the Gulf of Aqaba (Jordan)

First Workshop

Ecosystem Context Analysis: recognizing connections within and across ecological and human systems spanning over the focused area

2nd, 3rd, 8th and 10th of March 2021

Agenda

The workshop is executed in the framework of the of the *Mediterranean Forum For Applied Ecosystem-Based Management* (MED4EBM) partnership project. More specifically, the workshop is part of the project activities functional to the establishment of a stakeholders cooperation and coordination platform for implementing Ecosystem-Based Integrated Coastal Zone Management (EB-ICZM) in the Gulf of Aqaba.

The workshop agenda illustrated in this document refers to the **Workshop Introduction Note**, which provides a summary of the MED4EBM project, as well as of the methods and main steps to establish the said EB-ICZM platform. This introduction note is included in the invitation packet for the workshop, and it is also published on the MED4EBM website at the following link:

[MED4EBM: Implementation of an Ecosystem-Based Integrated Coastal Zone Management to support the Gulf of Aqaba \(Jordan\) | ENI CBC Med](#)

1 - Objective

The First Workshop focuses the participatory thematic scoping for the EB-ICZM-DSS application in the Gulf of Aqaba (Jordan). Relevant actors and stakeholders jointly Identify key biophysical and socio-economic systems, assess the related data availability, and define the spatial domain for the EB-ICZM-DSS application. The first workshop will be organised in four meetings: the first will be plenary, followed by two other dates, one for each of the two working groups. There will be a final plenary meeting.

2 – Meetings

Meeting #1	
Type of meeting	Plenary.
Meeting focus	Introduction to workshop objectives, methods and schedule.
Duration	2 hours and 30 minutes.
Date and time	18 th of February 2021
Webinar link	The link will be sent by email to registered attendees
Time	Subject
10:00 - 10:30	Welcome Remarks. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Mohammed Al-Tawaha (JREDS). ⇒ H.E. Suleiman Al Najadat, Commissioner for the Environment/ ASEZA. ⇒ Nedal Alouran (UNDP), MED4EBM Lead beneficiary; Khulood Tubaishat, MED4EBM Project Coordinator.
10:30-10:45	Brief introduction of the stakeholders to each other
10:45 - 11:10	Technical introduction. Khulood Tubaishat and Marco Falcetta <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ MED4EBM Project (funding framework, partnership, objectives, deployment rationale, time framework). ⇒ MED4EBM Work Packages 3 and 4: methods, phases, activities, and outputs. ⇒ Introduction of the ISP software (video)
11:10 - 12:00	Technical examples and demonstrations of MED4EBM WP3 and WP4 outcomes and methods. Edoardo Scepi and Francesca Pella <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ ISP software. ⇒ Thematic Scoping Matrix. ⇒ System Diagram.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Indicators. ⇒ Planning measures.
12:00 - 12:25	Planning for workshop deployment: discussion and agreement. Edoardo Scepi and Francesca Pella <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Workshop objective, methods, and schedule. ⇒ Multi-disciplinary EBM team (leadership by MED4EBM partner, plenary and sector working groups). ⇒ Schedule of meetings of the first workshop. ⇒ Institutional networking and data collection.
12:25 - 12:30	Closure of meeting.

Meeting #2	
Type of meeting	Working group: Group 1.
Meeting focus	Drafting of Thematic Scoping Matrix: focus on Ecosystems.
Duration	4 hours.
Date and time	1 st March 2021
Local Coordinator/s	Mohammed Al-Tawaha
EBM Team	Edoardo Scepi and Francesca Pella
Webinar link	The link will be sent by email to registered attendees
Time	Subject
10:00-11:30	Ecosystems. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Biophysical systems. ⇒ Flora. ⇒ Fauna.
11:30 - 12:00	Break.
12:00-13:30	Ecosystems. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Biophysical systems. ⇒ Flora. ⇒ Fauna.
13:30-13:55	Revision and finalisation of meeting products.
13:55-14:00	Closure of meeting

Meeting #3	
Type of meeting	Working group: Group 2.
Meeting focus	Drafting of Thematic Scoping Matrix: focus on Socio-Economic aspects.
Duration	4 hours.
Date and time	8 th March 2021
Local Coordinator/s	Mohammed Al-Tawaha
EBM Team	Edoardo Scepi and Francesca Pella
Webinar link	The link will be sent by email to registered participants
Time	Subject
10:00-11:30	Socio-Economic aspects. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Tourist infrastructures, attractions and Aquarium. ⇒ Fishery facilities. ⇒ Port and industrial infrastructures.
11:30 - 12:00	Break.
12:00-13:30	Socio-Economic aspects. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Tourist infrastructures, attractions and Aquarium. ⇒ Fishery facilities. ⇒ Port and industrial infrastructures.

13:30-13:55	Revision and finalisation of meeting products.
13:55-14:00	Closure of meeting.

Meeting #4	
Type of meeting	Working group: Plenary
Meeting focus	Drafting of Thematic Scoping Matrix: analyses and correlations of the matrices, identification of relations between them; focus on available data.
Duration	4 hours.
Date and time	10 th March 2021
Local Coordinator/s	Mohammed Al-Tawaha
EBM Team	Edoardo Scepi and Francesca Pella
Webinar link	The link will be sent by email to registered attendees
Time	Subject
10:00-11:30	Review of the matrices. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Analyses and correlations of the two matrices ⇒ Identification of relations between the matrices
11:30 - 12:00	Break.
12:00-13:30	Review of the matrices and available data. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Review of the matrices ⇒ Focus on the available data
13:30-13:55	Revision and finalisation of meeting products.
13:55-14:00	Closure of meeting.

3 - Schedule of Meetings: Plenary and Working Groups

Participants		Meetings			
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