

Consultation within TSG 3: Construction Activities in the Sea and on the Seashore and Achieving good environmental status of the Sea

#### Assessment of acceptability and cumulative impacts for spatial arrangements planned with the Maritime Spatial Plan of Slovenia

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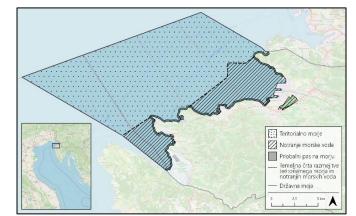


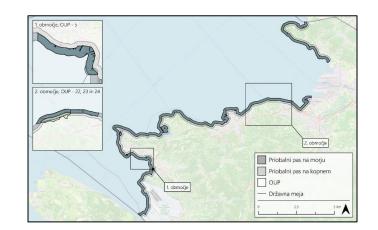
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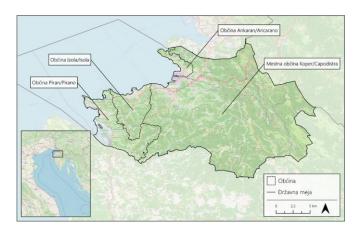
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#### Aim and scope of the assignment

- Implementation of Maritime spatial plan
- A task composed of three sections:
  - Cumulative impact analysis (CEA) spatial analysis of cumulative impacts for the entire sea
  - Carrying capacity of the coastal zone at sea for spatial planning in selected areas – determination of the limits of acceptable changes
  - Economic, social, and environmental carrying capacity of Istrian municipalities for tourism development – a diagnostic model for monitoring and guiding tourism development at the destination level





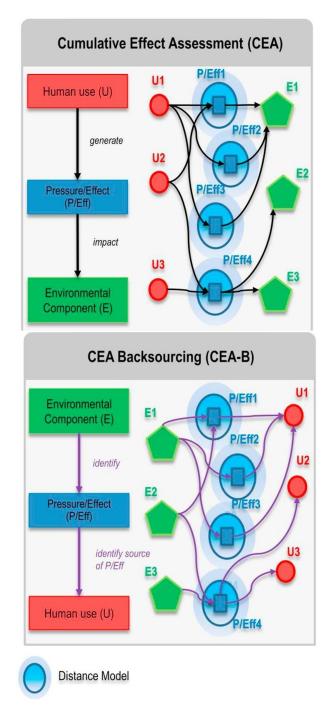


#### Method for section 1

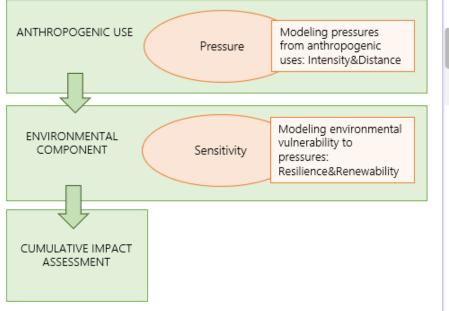
- CEA used within the PORTODIMARE project (INTERREG ADRION, 2021)
- based on an open-source web tool for geospatial analysis in maritime spatial planning: Tools4MSP\*
- It offers:
  - an integrated web platform called the Tools4MSP Geoplatform,
  - includes tools for collaborative geospatial modeling of cumulative effects assessment (CEA)\*\*and
  - a library for the assessment of cumulative effects (CEA) in the Adriatic Sea.\*\*

\*Menegon, S. in sod., 2018. Tools4MSP: an open source software package to support Maritime Spatial Planning. PeerJ Computer Science 4(4), 165 str

\*\*Menegon S, Depellegrin D, Farella G, Gissi E, Ghezzo M, Sarretta A, Venier C, Barbanti A. 2018. A modelling framework for MSP-oriented cumulative effects assessment. Ecological Indicators 91:171181



#### Method for section 1



- 17 pressures
- 24 anthropogenic uses
- 32 environmental components



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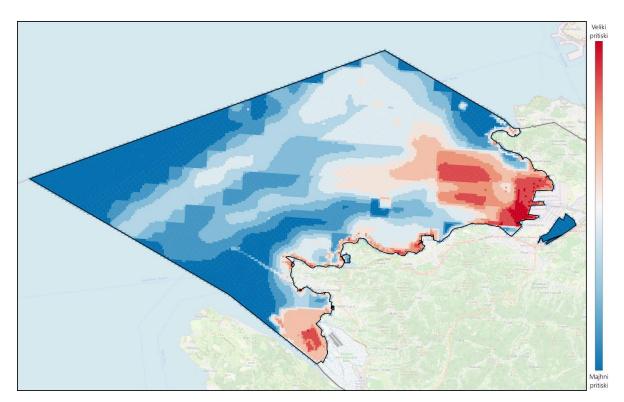
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• Limits of acceptable changes



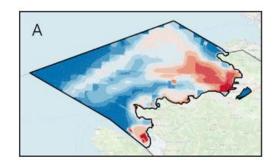
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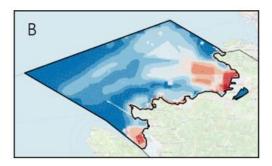
- The highest values the port for international traffic and on the area of urbanized coast + areas with high density of env. components
- Areas with moderate values are widely distributed throughout the studied region result of traffic from vessels and fishing
- Lowest values -coastal areas distaned from ports and areas with forbiden fishing

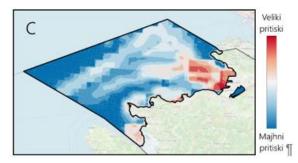


#### Results – CEA (work in proccess)

- The strongest pressure groups:
  - Material, waste, and energy pressures (37%) A
  - Biological pressures (33%) B
  - Physical pressures (30%) C
- The strongest individual pressures:
  - Disturbance of species due to human presence (16%)
  - Physical disturbance of the seabed (14%)
  - Marine litter input (10%)
- The most impactful use: Maritime traffic
- The most sensitive env. Component fish

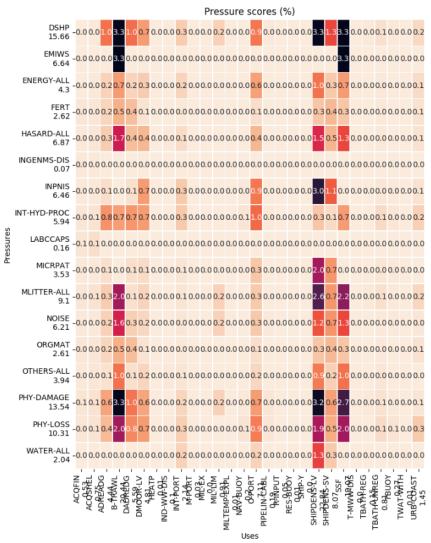






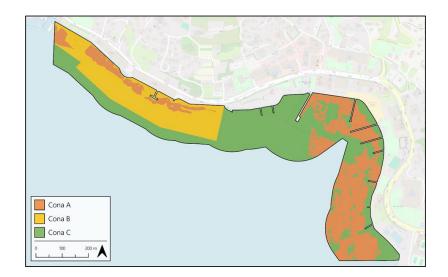
#### Construction activities in the context of CEA

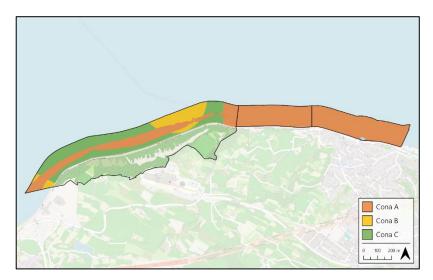
- Directly not addressed, indirectly considered through pressures:
  - Input of subtances, input of litter, input of noise, physical disturbances and phisical losses of seabed, disturbance of species due to human presence
  - Physical disturbances and losses common pressure in construction activities
  - Highest weigts of pressure *Physical* disturbances and losses – fishing and maritime traffic, also present in Urbanisation of the coast



### Results-LAC (work in proces)

- Spatial scope 2 short areas of the coast
- Deskwork analysis, workshop, survey
- Set of values defines and described
  - Important habitats, cultural, touristic, recreational, aestetic, spatial etc. Values
- Classes of opurtunity
  - bathing, diving, sport, recreation, maritime traffic, culural haritige
- Indicators of environmental changes
  - Habitat areas, physical loss and disturbance area, water and descriptor status, bathing water quality, cultural heritage status
  - Area of piers, area of ports and berths, bathing areas, no. of. WW outflows
- Standards for environmental changes
  - legally prescribed, implementation on local area
  - Use of zoning
- List of locally needed measures





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- Adressed through indicators
  - physical loss and disturbance area, water and descriptors status, bathing water quality
  - area of piers, area of ports and berths, bathing areas, area of changed coast
- Adressed through standards of indicators different for each zone
- Adressed through measures
  - Restrained and targeted coastal encroachment, exclusively pointfixed piers, customized pier form, construction techniques for prevention of siltation and suspended sediments propagation (eg. silt courtains), sedimentation monitoring, erosion control, use of noise abatement techniques

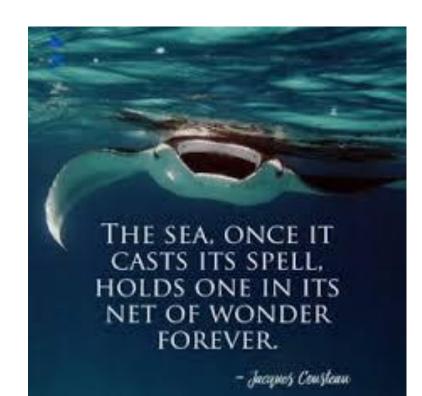




## Construction Activities in the Sea and on the Seashore - conclusions

Key recommendations include:

- Mitigation of Physical and Noise Disturbances
- Zoning and Area-specific Standards
- Collaborative Monitoring
- Sustainable Coastal Development



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