

Creating products and knowledge for the Mediterranean

MARINOMICA END-USER SERVICES & CONTRIBUTION TO POLICY PROCESSES

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Mediterranean policy challenges



- Vulnerable ecosystems
- Overexploitation
- Pollution
- Climate change
- Extreme events
- Limited coastal protection



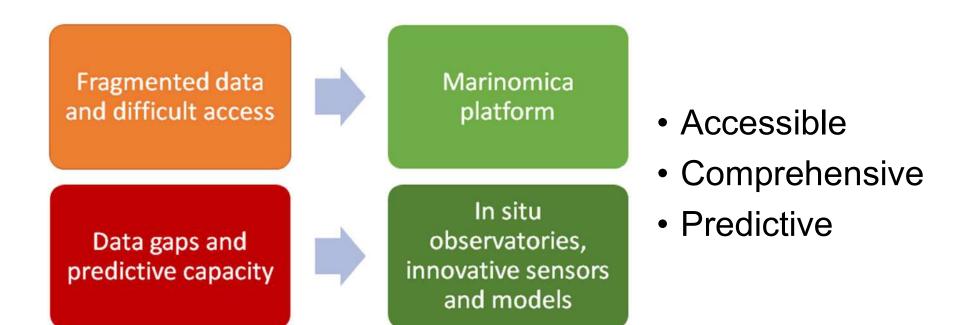




Images taken from UNEP/MAP MedQSR 2017

Knowledge base for policy processes



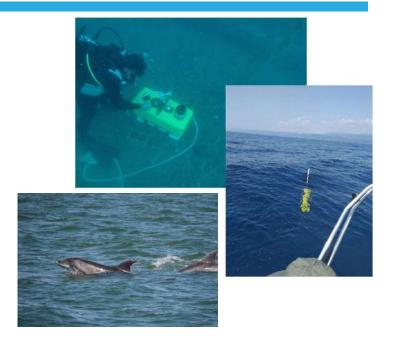


Contribution to policy challenges



Ecosystem resilience

- Jellyfish biophysical model
- Understanding seagrass habitats
- · Bioacoustics for marine mammals



Sustainable fisheries

- Ecosystem status assessment
- Fish species distribution dynamics



Contribution to policy challenges



Pollution monitoring

- Microplastics sensor
- Ballast water monitoring
- Eutrophication indices



Coastal protection

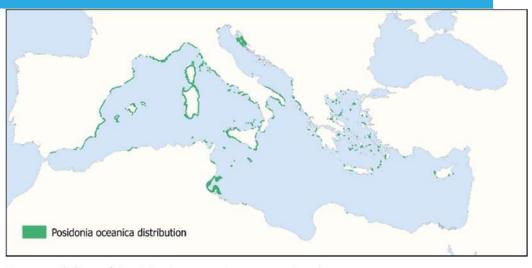
- Shoreline evolution and coastal erosion indices
- Tracking extreme events



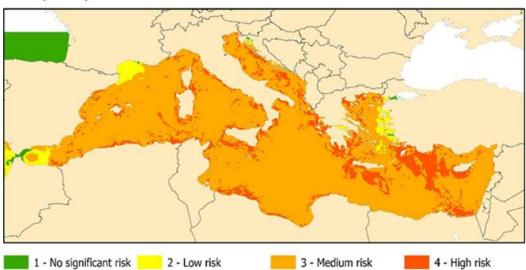
Mitigating climate change impacts

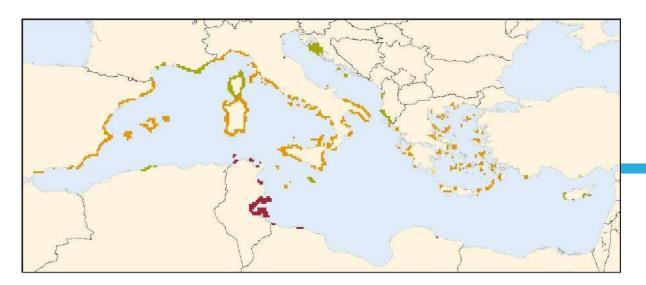


Applying Environmental Sensitivity Mapping to the potential impact of marine heatwaves on seagrass in the Mediterranean



Susceptibility of Posidonia oceanica to marine heatwaves

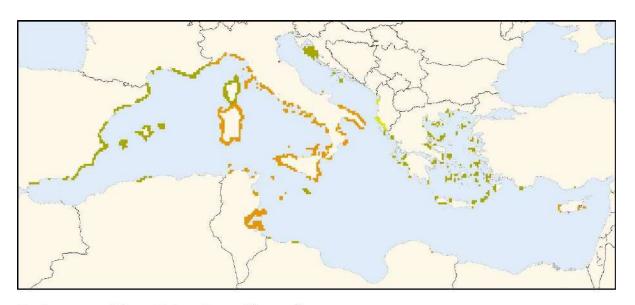






Environmental Sensitivity: Fisheries

Very high
High
Moderate
Low



Environmental Sensitivity: Coastal hazards

High
Moderate
Low

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Engagement at three levels



Regional policy processes

- Monitoring under UNEP/MAP Integrated Monitoring and Assessment Programme (IMAP) and EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD)
- Knowledge base for BlueMed

2017 QSR clusters	IMAP Ecological Objectives	IMAP Common Indicators	ODYSSEA data, sensor systems and models
Biodiversity and ecosystems	Biodiversity and ecosystems (EO1)	Species distributional range of marine mammals (CI3 MM)	In situ sensor: hydrophone
Land and sea- based pollution	Eutrophication (EO5)	Chlorophyll a concentration in the water column (CI14)	In situ sensor: Chlorophyll a Delft3D-WAQ water quality model
	Marine litter (EO10)	Trends in the amount of litter in the water column including microplastics and on the seafloor (CI23)	In situ sensor: microplastic count and classification
			Delft3D-PART plastic dispersion model, MEDSLIK-II plastics/ microplastics tracking model
Land and sea interactions and processes	Hydrography (EO7)	Location and extent of the habitats impacted directly by hydrographic alterations (CI15)	Delft3D-FLOW hydrodynamic model, Delft3D-WAQ-SPM suspended sediment model
			Machine learning: Seagrass dynamics and distribution

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- Environmental Protection Agencies, Italy: microplastics

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Blue Economy sectors

- Oil and gas
- Aquaculture
- Marine renewables

Criteria for successful platforms





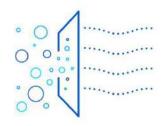
Recommendations for Marinomica's future



- Demonstrate clearly applied public and private use cases
- Continue to report on uptake to demonstrate relevance
- Ensure transparency on methodologies and data sources
- Communicate authoritativeness
- Conduct further user testing to check usability
- Align more closely with policy needs (e.g. IMAP indicators)

Marinomica Services





Ocean Data Access



Water Quality



Jellyfish



Waves & Currents



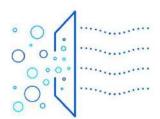




Balllast Water

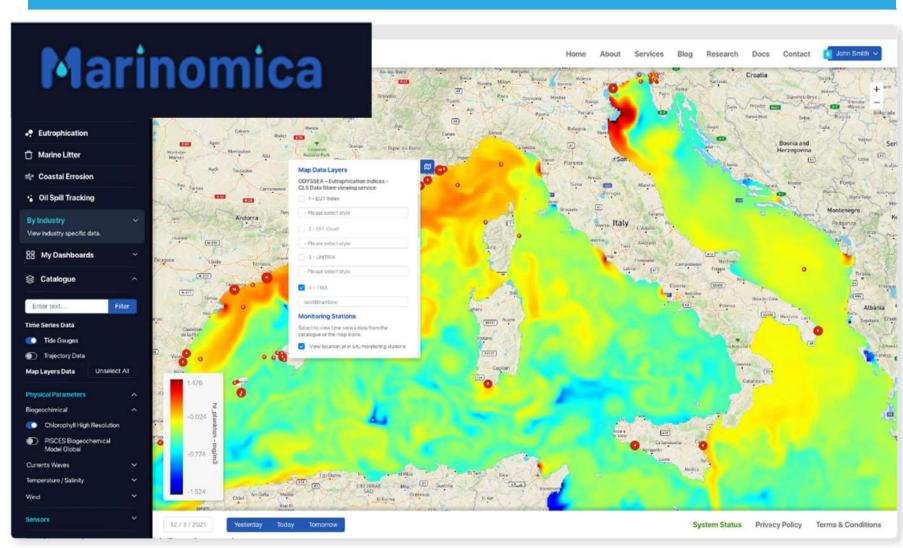


Coastal Erosion



Ocean Data Access







Water Quality

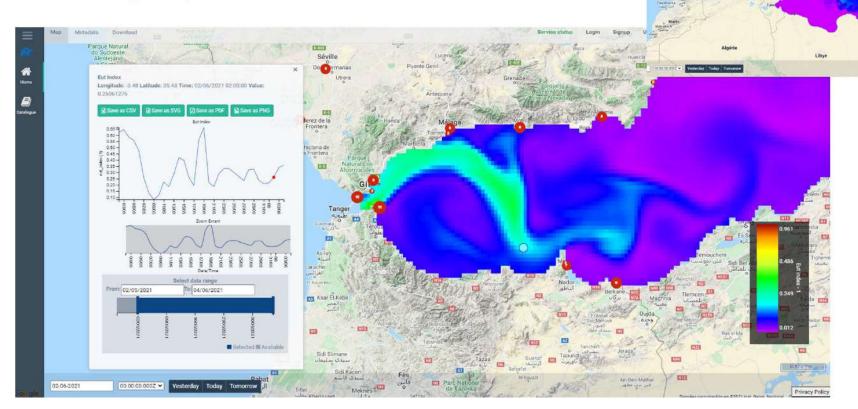


Eutrophication index TRIX

Indicator about the trophic state of the coastal water

☐ High = eutrophic = nutrients ++ -> algae ++ > oxygen --

■ Low = oligotrophic = nutrients - -





Waves & Currents



Observations and forecasts of sea surface state

Wave height and direction

Current intensity and direction at the surface and in the water column

Based on local measurements and forecasts from local and CMEMS models

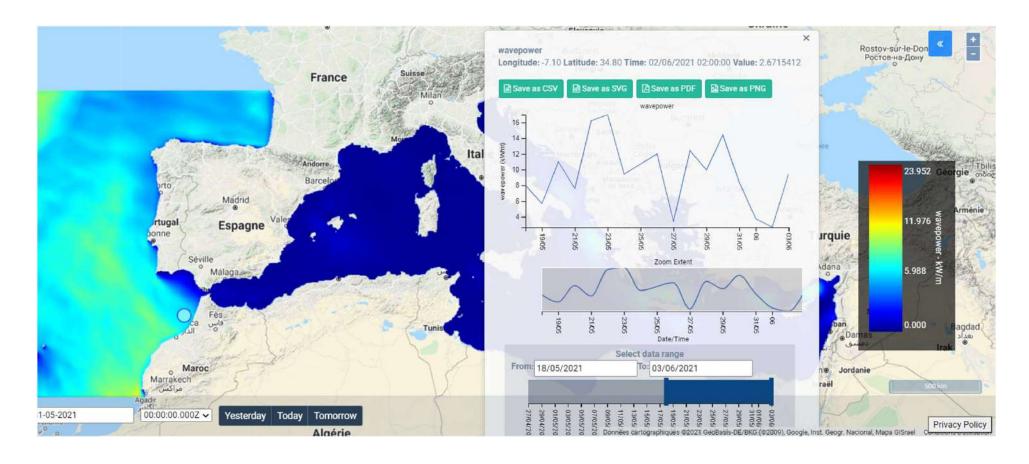






Energy released by waves

Local quantity of energy for designing the blue energy production infrastructures.





Coastal Erosion



Coastline evolution rate

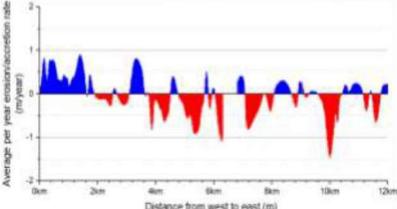
Identification of aras with high rate of erosion Evaluation of wave energy acting on coastal areas

Estimation of sediment transport

Based on the combination of satellite image analysis, statistical calculation, analysis of historical wave observations and modeling (CMEMS, EMODNET)









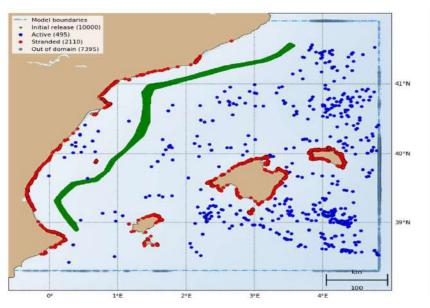
Jellyfish blooms

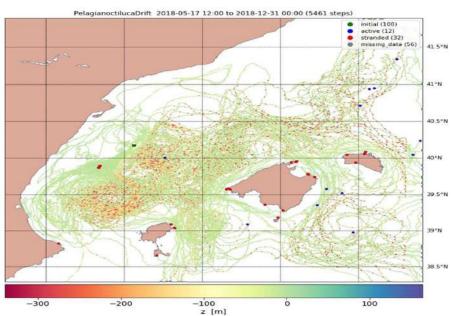


Early warning of jellyfish arrival

Distribution and probability of occurrence of the species Pelagia noctiluca

Prediction from a numerical model that simulates their behavior (ocean dynamics, geographical dispersion, life cycle)







Ballast Waters



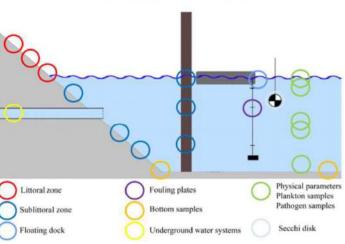
Risk assessment of arrival of invasive species

- Port measurements (in the water column and at the bottom)
- Realization of risk report by vessel
- Support to the certification of derogation in the framework of the Ballast Water
 Management convention in force since 2017

Based on biological surveys carried out in ports, on ODYSSEA environmental data



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For whom?



The users of the Mediterranean Sea depending and interacting with the sea on a daily basis

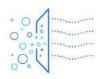


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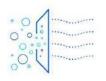






Fishing











Aquaculture









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Nrj production





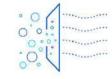






Industries





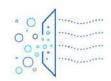






Beach resorts





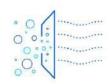






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