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Mission Charter Dashboard

Methodology

This document accompanies the Dashboard and delineates the methodological approach to data collection, as well as the subsequent steps of data processing leading to visualisation.

1. Overview of Methodology

The dashboard is based on **information submitted by Mission Charter actions**, via the EU survey.

It is **updated monthly**. The methodological steps are:

- **Data collection** via the EU survey
- **Data cleaning** and formatting using Excel
- **Assessment of Mission Charter actions** by the Mission Secretariat (on the coherence of submitted actions with Mission objectives and enablers)
- **Additional analysis** conducted by the Mission Implementation Platform (identifying communities of actors and key topics for each Mission Charter action)
- **Updating** the Power BI **dashboard** and Maritime Forum **website**

If you would like to **revise any information related to your action**, please contact the Helpdesk at helpdesk_mission_ocean_waters@technopolis-group.com.

The methodology for data cleaning and additional analysis is presented further in detail in the sections below.

2. Methodology – Data Cleaning

In the data cleaning phase, the Mission Implementation Platform (MIP Ocean) ensures that there are no **inconsistences,** such as misspellings, incorrect dates or submissions in other languages, in the submission via the EU Survey. If the mistake is evident, the MIP Ocean directly applies changes. If not, the MIP Ocean reaches out to the submitting organisation to correct the mistake.

Additionally, the MIP Ocean **cleans the geographical data** as the PowerBI dashboard cannot visualize the EU, one of the survey response options, on the map chart. The following approach is thus applied:

- If the action lists **specific EU countries and the European Union,** the action will be listed only under the specific EU countries where the action takes place:
    - For instance, “France; Germany; European Union,” to ”France; Germany”
- If the action **only lists the European Union,** the action will be listed under all 27 countries of the EU
    - For instance, “European Union” to “Austria; Belgium; Bulgaria . . . Sweden”
- If the action lists the **European Union and non-EU countries,** the action will be listed under all 27 countries of the EU and the non-EU countries
    - For instance, “European Union; Brazil” to “Brazil; Austria; Belgium; Bulgaria . . . Sweden”

3. Additional Analysis

For each Mission Charter action, the MIP Ocean identifies relevant **communities of actors** in order to better group and visualize the Mission Charter actions.

One or several communities of actors were selected **per Mission Charter action** from the following list. These communities contribute effectively to the realisation of Mission Ocean & Waters objectives.[1]

- Conservation;
- Coastal & inland regions;
- Waterfront cities;
- Fishing;
- Islands;
- Shipping;
- Ports; and
- Other.

A narrow definition of these communities was applied. For port, islands, regions and cities actions, only actions implemented with the relevant public authorities are identified as pertaining to that

[1] It must be noted that this list of communities is not exclusive. As in, these communities are not necessarily the only actors at the core of Mission objectives.

community (as opposed to all actors working on those topics, such as research projects regarding ports). ‘Other’ was only selected in the absence of another relevant community.

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