



Working Group on IMP in the Mediterranean

6th Meeting Brussels – 30 - 31 October 2013

IMP-MED Project

State of Play and Way forward



Summary



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 - National level
 - Regional level
- Lessons learnt
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 - National level
 - Regional level
- Beyond Nov. 2014 : Sustainability of IMP in Partner Countries and in the Mediterranean



Current State of Play

National Level



National level

Policy - IMP-MED Phase 1 and 2



General policy/“mainstream” (FROM WORKPLAN)	State of play October 2013	Level of achievement
➤ Policy and development of Action plan / roadmap	Different levels of preparedness: - from common policy in few Countries - to shared views between majority of key stakeholders	Needs further preparation
➤ Long term national vision within Mediterranean dimension	National vision clearer than regional dimension (other than in general terms)	Needs further work
➤ Support to small ("core") groups of key Ministries / Authorities and wider stakeholders involvement	On-going in some countries, different forms of inter-ministerial cooperation in place (e.g. national workshops)	Ok, On-going as planned
➤ Tailored Technical Assistance	Fully and well identified On-going - See specific Technical Assistance below	Ok, On-going as planned



National level

Technical Assistance – IMP-MED Phase 2

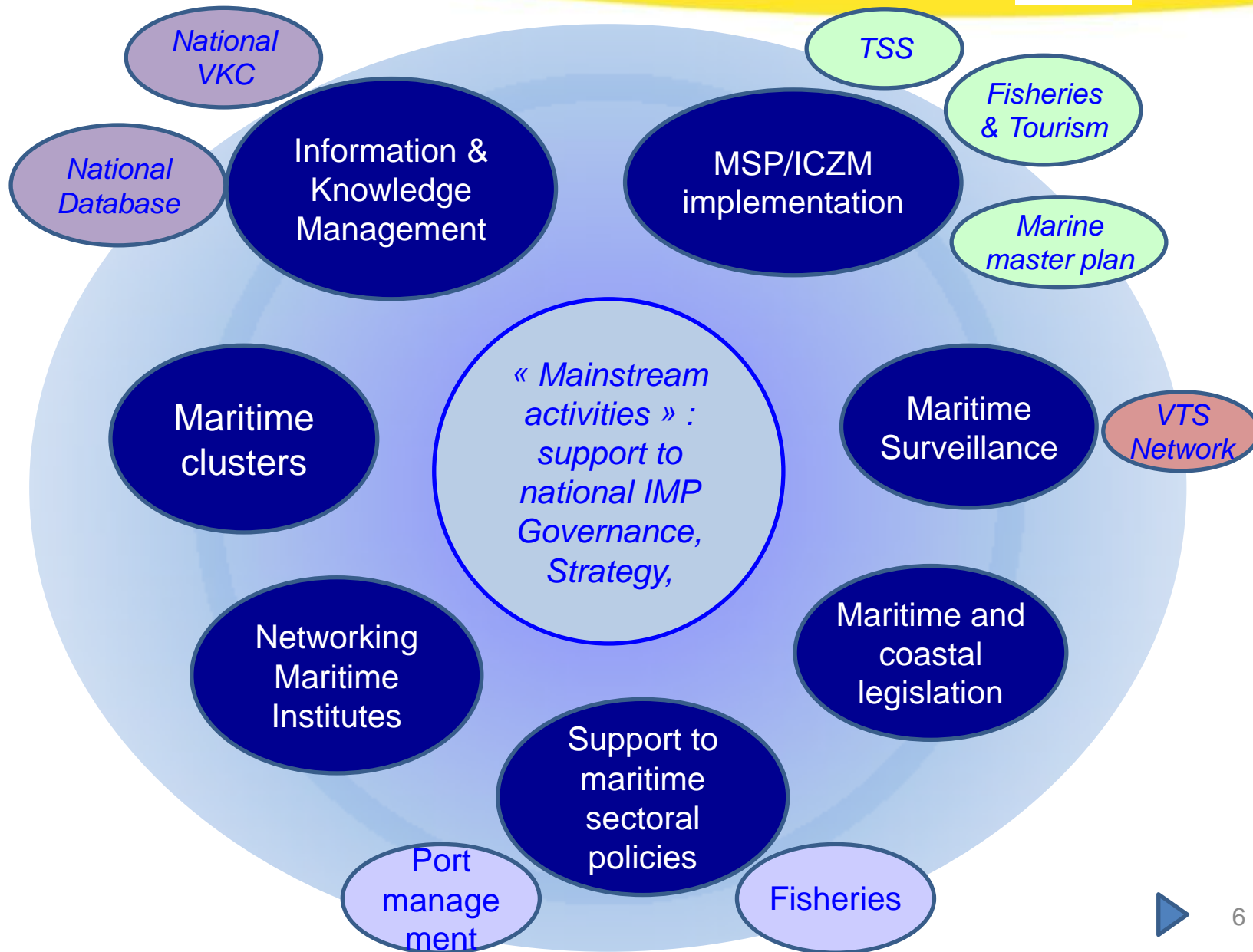


Technical Assistance priorities (FROM WORKPLAN)	State of play October 2013	Level of achievement
➤ IMP Related requirements e.g. Regulatory Framework, MSP, ICZM, fisheries, protection of marine environment	TA actions of each Country identified, selected (criteria) and first priorities launched (a total of 35 actions selected)	Ok, On-going as planned
➤ Assistance to get externally funded "focused studies"	Launched as part of above TA	Ok, On-going as planned
➤ Prepare Terms of Reference for pilot studies	Launched as part of TA programme	Ok, On-going as planned
➤ Identify and support cross border cooperation	No concrete progress, only general ideas of issues	Ok, On-going as planned
➤ Review and share results	Bulk of TA starting now	Needs further work



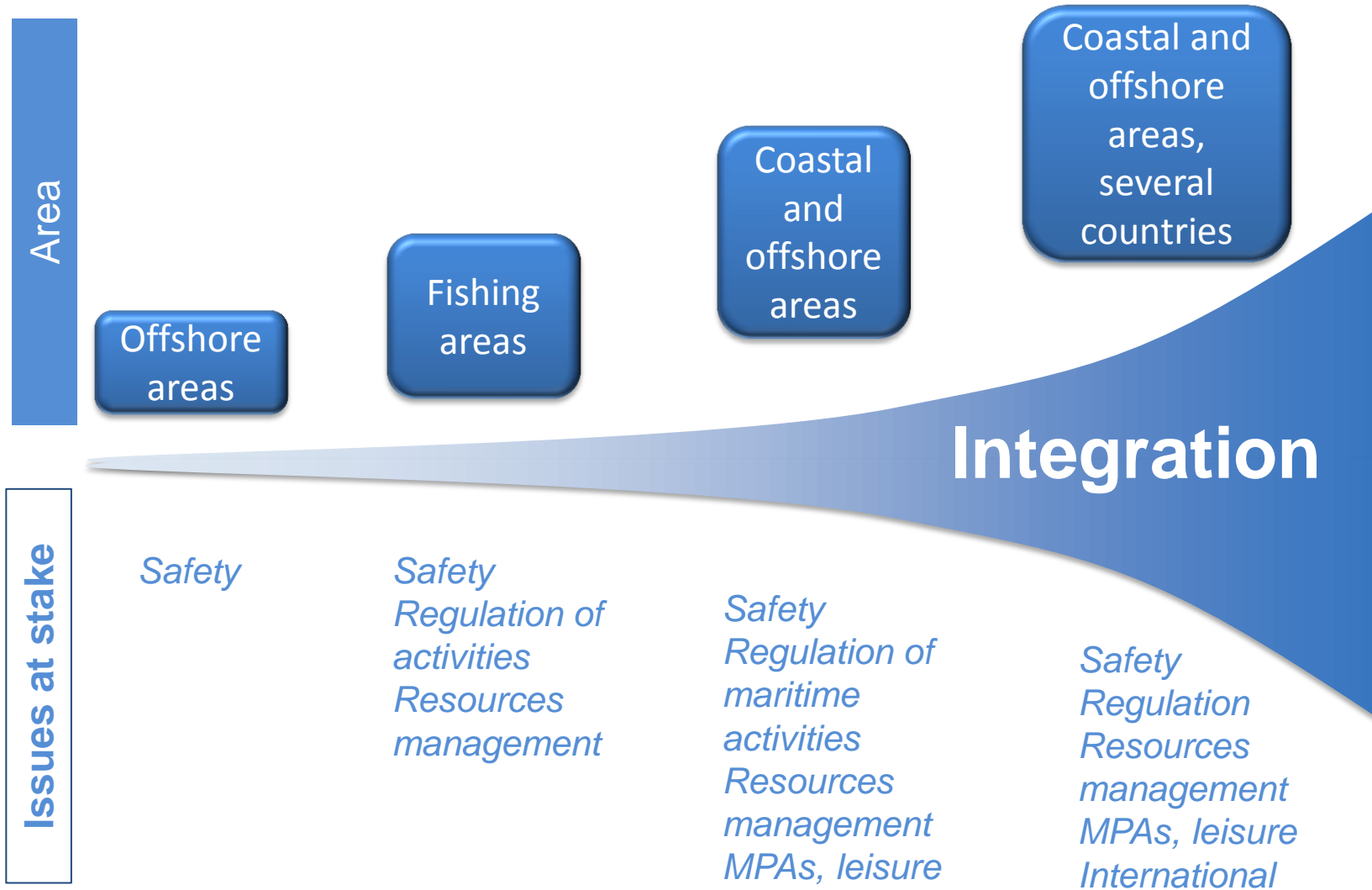
TA ACTIVITIES

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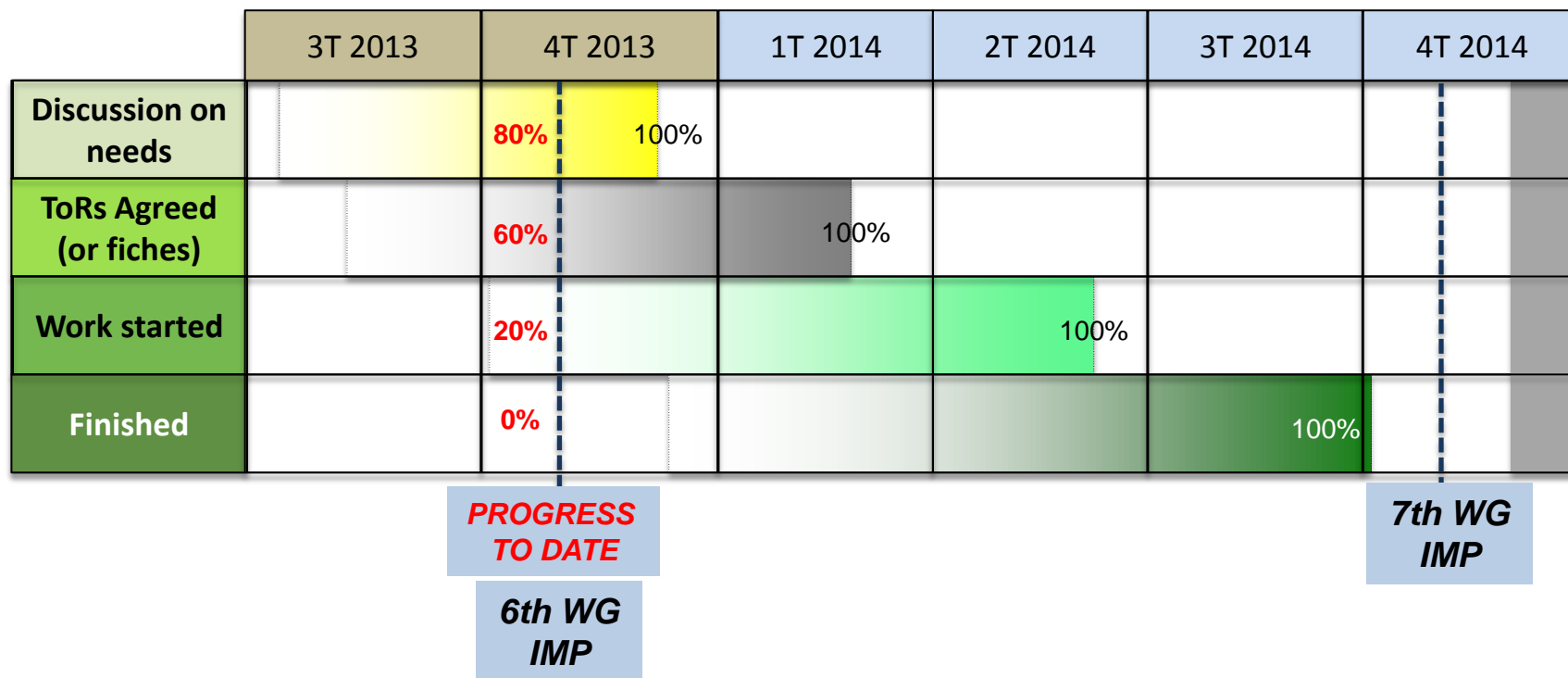
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Integration: Example of TSS



TA ACTIVITIES

Planning





Current State of Play

Regional Level



Regional level

Work Plan Phase 2



Ongoing Actions (Phase 1 + 2) (FROM WORKPLAN)	State of play October 2013	Level of achievement
Preparation of draft regional Action Plan / Roadmap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Limited progress except for exchanges during the regional events - Diverging views on Action Plan/Roadmap concept - Some interest in a common approach in particular areas 	Needs further preparation
Assistance to EC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - annual Working Group Meetings - other regional events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Done and on-going - Support the participation of Partner Countries in different regional meetings (see list later) 	OK, On-going as planned
Regional Meetings and Technical Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - on IMP concepts and application - Networking between participants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Done and on-going - For specific technical issues - Informally established 	OK, On-going as planned
Follow up of Regional Meeting / Workshops	Done, particularly in relation to the TA programme of activities	OK, On-going as planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordination with other projects 	Few opportunities [WWF training on MSP]	Needs further work

Regional level

Work Plan Phase 2



New actions (Phase 2)	State of play October 2013	Level of achievement
IMP Virtual Knowledge Centre - design architecture - launch VKC	- 1 st phase of feasibility study completed	OK, On-going as planned
Communication targeting stakeholders' understanding and extended to private sector	Will be improved with updated web site and electronic dissemination of project information	Needs further work
Training course (if needed)	No project resources	N/A
Support and technical contribution to EC cooperation initiatives	- VKC feasibility study - Contribution to EC cooperation initiatives (FEMIP, EMD)	OK, On-going as planned
Identification of cross border cooperation between neighbouring coastal states	General ideas only Some Countries' willing to explore further potential projects (Maritime Highways, MSP...)	Needs further work
Identification of North / South cooperation on specific related interventions	Possibly, to be assessed based on future conclusion of specific TA activities	Not mature



Lessons learnt & Best practice (so far ...)



- Start from **concrete activities**
 - Working on concrete activities considerably accelerates the process of raising the level of understanding and acceptance of IMP principles across line ministers
- **Snowball effect**
 - Even TA activities of limited scope can be engineered to lead to substantial **added-value** and larger investments.
- Creation of **formal institutional structures**
 - on-going in some countries but **not essential** to concrete progress in the absorption of IMP practices and adoption of IMP tools
- **VKC** as an “empty box”
 - Great difficulties in achieving common understanding on the **nature of the VKC**; finally overcome with Phase 1 of the Feasibility Study.
- **Governance vs. Technical**
 - **Governance issues** represent the real bottleneck in relation to the creation of a VKC (technical ones are a minor concern) and need to be given priority in Phase 2.





Future Outlook

From November 2013 to November 2014



Future Outlook

→ November 2014



National level

« Mainstream » : support to actions towards national IMP

- Assistance depending on each country's requirements
- Specific TA action should contribute broader (and hopefully sustainable) developments at national level

Specific Technical Assistance :

- Implement Technical Assistance activities
- Completion / formalization of TA launched and next (LoA, ToRs)
- Optimization / combination of several TA activities and mainstream (Workshops or other events)
- Mid-term review suggested for mid 2014

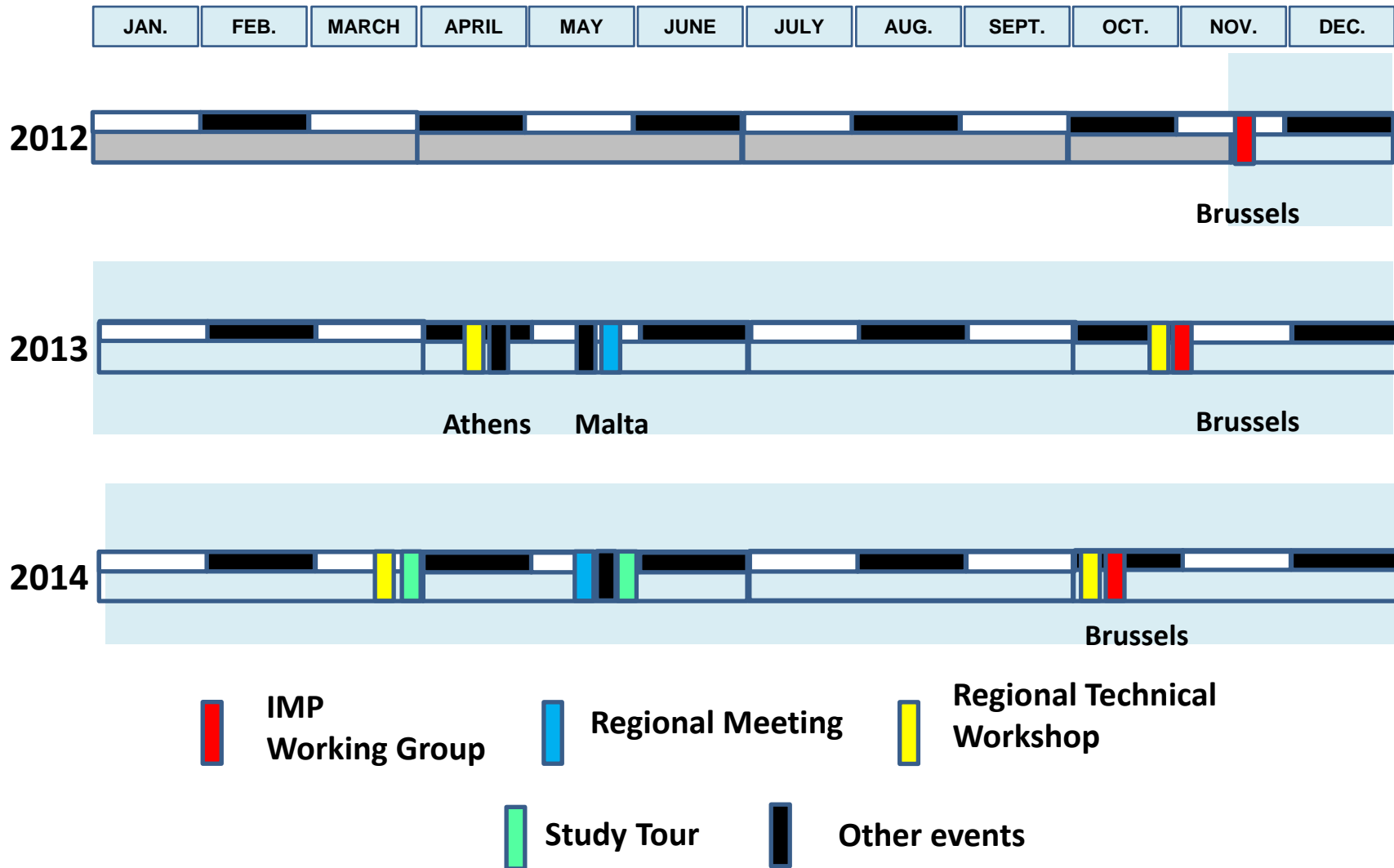
Indicative timeline - Regional events

From November 2012 to October 2013

From November 2013 to November 2014 (Indicative)



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IMP-MED web site



Maquette: Home page



Ancien site

The screenshot shows the old website layout. At the top, the IMP MED logo and the text 'Project on Integrated Maritime Policy for the Mediterranean' are displayed. A navigation bar includes links for Home, Media Corner, Popular Links, Maritime Forum, Contact, Site Map, and a language selector for Français. A large banner image of a fish is featured with the text 'Marine Resources'. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with links for IMP-MED, Activities, Partner Countries, Publications, and Documentation Centre. The main content area features a large text block about the project, a 'Partner Countries' list, and sections for 'Publications' and 'Headlines'. The footer contains contact information and a copyright notice for 2011.

Nouveau site

The screenshot shows the new website layout. It features a more modern design with a dark header. The IMP MED logo and project title are at the top left, with a search bar on the right. The navigation bar is more extensive, including links for Home, Media Corner, Popular Links, Maritime Forum, Contact, Site Map, and a language selector for Français. A large banner image of a port at night is featured with the text 'Maritime Transport'. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with links for IMP-MED, Regional Activities, Partner Countries, Project Documents, and E-Library. The main content area features a large text block about the project, a 'Partner Countries' list, and sections for 'Editorial' and 'Headlines'. The footer contains contact information and a copyright notice for 2011.

Maquette: IMP-MED → Project Team



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Maquette: Projects Documents



➔ Technical Papers

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Nouveau site

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- Integrated Maritime Policy (IMP)
- Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) and Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM)
- Marine Protected Areas (MPA)
- Maritime Surveillance
- Marine and Maritime Research
- Maritime Cruise and Tourism
- Underwater Cultural Heritage
- Energy, Oil and Gas
- Pollution and Environmental Protection

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➔ Newsletter

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Sustainability of IMP

in Partner Countries and in the Mediterranean



Key assumptions



Need for continuation of support to national IMPs

- Support to the development of IMP at national level
 - *Governance, stakeholders involvement, design of sectoral policies...*
- Technical assistance for implementing IMP principles and instruments in concrete projects

Coordination should be maintained/strengthened at regional level

- Need for strengthening contacts between IMP stakeholders
- Need for exchange and common work on regional maritime issues
- Need to start working on a common vision of maritime issues at stake in the Mediterranean



Key Questions



- Which continuation of support at national level? In what form?
- What potential concrete regional and cross-border IMP developments?
- What contribution to IMP from a VKC?
- What potential interactions / synergies with other cooperation projects and initiatives?
- What role/ involvement of regional organizations?
- Need for more and possibly other forms of regional meetings / fora to share experiences on IMP with all Mediterranean Countries?
- What funding / "sponsorship" for future development?



Possible Scenarios



Not proposed alternative futures!

Just a way of presenting a range of possible options

Scenario	Description
<p>Project stopped</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No technical assistance support to WG IMP • National IMPs can go on, or not... • No transfer of website/results
<p>Results transferred</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer to another organisation (BC RAC...) • TA support (regional, national) possible, but not guaranteed • Website alive, but not maintained (VKC Accessible)
<p>Integration to another project</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merge with another existing project • IMP Website and VKC transferred • Objectives revised to fit host project
<p>New project</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMP-MED « follow on » project • Led/funded by a donor • VKC developed including IMP-MED website

