



**ECOSEA**  
**Protection, improvement and integrated management of the**  
**sea environment and of cross-border natural resources**  
**(Code No. 2°ord./0236)**

**ECOSEA SC and partnership Meeting**  
**24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> October 2013**  
*Ancona (IT)*

The following is a summary of the minutes taken at the Project Meeting of the ECOSEA project held on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> October 2013 in Ancona (IT).

**FIRST DAY – 24<sup>th</sup> October 2013**

**List of attending beneficiaries** (please see also the attached Participants' list):

- LB – Veneto region (IT)
- FB1 – Friuli Venezia Giulia region (IT)
- FB2 – Emilia Romagna region (IT)
- FB3 – Marche region (IT)
- FB5 – Apulia region (IT)
- FB6 – County of Primorje and Gorski Kotar (HR)
- FB7 – Zadar County (HR)
- FB8 - Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Water Administration (AL)

**The project meeting opens at 3.00 p.m.**

**Mr Meconi (FB3 MAR):** opens the works by welcoming all participants and thanking them for attending the current meeting of ECOSEA project.

**Mr Richieri (LB VEN):** introduces the works of the two days briefly presenting the agenda and specifying that on the second day also the FB4 ABR will attend the meeting.

**WP1 session**

**Mrs Zambetti (TECH. ASS.):** faces the main issues with relation to state of play of ECOSEA project. In particular, the presentation (enclose n.1) tackles the following

topics: involvement of partners, stage of development of the project, spending progress and budget modifications. With regards to project progress, the presentation underlines that the WP2 and WP3 have already started, while the activities of WP4 and WP5 could be launched in occasion of the present meeting. The WP4 will be also interested by the AAB table of the second day.

**Partners' contributions:** partners agree on launching the WP4 and WP5 activities. In relation to the budget modification, the major part of the partners declares the needs of proposing a new budget shift. Therefore, the requests of budget shift have been surveyed in terms of amount, typology (among cost category/WP) and timing for their submission. These elements have been exploited by the LB VEN to arrange a time-plan for a new request of shifts to be proposed firstly to the ECOSEA SC and then to the Programme Authorities.

#### WP3 session

**Mr Fonzo (FB1 FVG):** describes, with the support of a power point presentation (enclose n.2) the progress of development of WP3 main activities. In particular, with regards to AAB, he introduces the Rules of its functioning as they have been anticipated to partners. Then, he makes a check on members to be appointed by each partner. Concerning the FISH.GIS, he presented the state of play of works and, again, makes a check on GIS experts to be appointed by each partner.

**Partners' contributions:** partners ask for some modification in the Rules of proceeding of the AAB mainly in terms of: composition (the twofold role of one of the Croatian member and the Albanian member should be much highlighted) and voting rights of AAB member (AAB members should not have voting right but they can provide recommendations to ECOSEA SC). The WP Coordinator FB1 FVG will take care of amending the Rules. Discussion about the FISH.GIS contents has been postponed to second day.

#### WP4 session

**Mrs Zambetti (TECH. ASS.):** introduces the action plan for the WP4 (enclose n. 3).

**Partners' contributions:** partners agree on launching the WP4 activities. Croatian partners outline that in their case, some discrepancies between the Application form and the budget availability occur. Therefore, they propose to correct them, by reducing their activities in WP4 in favour of their participation in WP5. The LB VEN agrees and will engage in modifying the application form and the relevant budget. Partners agree on discussing the modalities of implementation of WP4 within the AAB.



## WP2 session

**Mr Spiga (FB2 ER):** presents the basic topics of the communication plan (enclose n. 4) in terms of target and tools. Moreover, he shows the different version of the project logo that the partnership received few days ago. As no replies from partners were provided, the coordinated image has been developed from the following logo:



and presented to partners. Lastly, he introduces a list of topics (10 topics) on which the partners' contribution is needed (enclose n.5).

**Partners' contributions:** partners agree on logo chosen by the FB2 ER and ask for the templates for the project documents (texts, power points, etc.). Partnership engage in providing to FB2 ER the requested support and contributions.

## The project meeting ends at 6.30 p.m.

## **SECOND DAY – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2013**

### The ECOSEA STEERING COMMITTEE meeting opens at 13.00 a.m.

#### **List of attending official/substitute members of the ECOSEA SC:**

- LB – Veneto region (IT)
- FB1 – Friuli Venezia Giulia region (IT)
- FB2 – Emilia Romagna region (IT)
- FB3 – Marche region (IT)
- FB4 – Abruzzo region (IT)
- FB5 – Apulia region (IT)
- FB6 – County of Primorje and Gorski Kotar (HR)
- FB7 – Zadar County (HR)

The ECOSEA SC assumed main decisions with regards to:

#### ***WP1 – Project management and coordination***

⇒ All the partners must be actively involved in project activities. With regards to Abruzzo region, who participate for the first time in a project meeting, a bilateral meeting will be organised and the beneficiary will be subjected to a recovery plan

in order to realign its activity with the one of partners. The LB VEN takes the responsibility for its realignment.

- ⇒ The following partners are interested in a budget shift:
  - LP: not interested
  - FB1: produces the request in 1 month – about 40.000€
  - FB2: could be interested – replies in 1 month
  - FB3: produces the request in 1 month
  - FB4: ---
  - FB5: produces the request in 1 month
  - FB6: produces the request in 2 months
  - FB7: produces the request in 15<sup>th</sup> days about the 20% of his budget
  - FB8: : produces the request in 1 month
- ⇒ All the requests must be submitted to the LP **by the 20th December 2013**. Partners are recommended to pay attention to thresholds in proposing their requests and, in the meantime, they have the possibility to report in overbudget. In January, the LP elaborates the requests, check the flexibility level and proceed with the official requests to Programme Authority. after this request, the LP will not proceed with others until the end of 2014.
- ⇒ The next reporting deadlines are on 31/01/2014 and 30/04/2014 (deadline to send the report and the supporting documents to the FLCo).
- ⇒ The next ECOSEA SC will be organised in Rimini in February, in occasion of the Fishery fair. Meeting foreseen in Zadra County and Bari are postponed.

### ***WP2 – Communication and dissemination***

- ⇒ Partners agree on project logo and communication plan (enclosed n. 4 and 5).



### ***WP3 – AAB and FISH.GIS***

- ⇒ The rules of AAB are approved by the SC with modification proposed: FB1- FVG distribute the final version to all partners.
- ⇒ Partners who did not appoint his AAB member, must do it by **end of November**
- ⇒ Prof. Piccinetti is the temporary coordinator, the official coordinator will be appointed once also Croatian and Albanian partners outline their national members. the coordinator will be appointed among the three national scientists and approved by SC.
- ⇒ FB1- FVG + ARPA will organise a meeting to arrange data entry in December (Palmanova , by ARPA FVG premises). The meeting is open only to GIS experts

- ⇒ In February, it will be available a demo of the FISH GIS: a second meeting will be organised in occasion of the next SC to show the demo version.

#### ***AAB Recommendations with regards to WP3 and WP4***

- ⇒ The ECOSEA SC adopts the following recommendations of the AAB:
- The data set for the FISH.GIS proposed by ARPA is ok: fish areas and environmental characteristics should be added and fleet register should be regionally checked (ARPA FVG will distribute the final matrix by 10 days);
  - With regard to WP4, it is necessary to Create a list of restocking projects in two weeks/one month – Marche Region takes care about the collection (link with GIS)
  - The list will be provided to local tables. Local operators will give their opinion and the PP will plan the pilot action.
  - In occasion of next AAB meeting, the members will give their opinion.