

Stakeholders Involvement Strategy. Russia

LESSONS OF THE PROJECT CAPACITY4MSP

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State of play. Challenges in MSP promoting



- ✓ Regional specificity of the coastal regions
- ✓ Large differences in the physical and geographical features of the seas (13 seas in 3 oceans plus the enclosed Caspian Sea)
- ✓ Lack of strong national framework on environmental management in the marine areas
- ✓ Governments and main stakeholders are not convinced and do not see the economic benefits of MSP
- ✓ Large sea area = no real competition for maritime space in most of the territorial sea and EEZ

Overall picture: Perceived lack of urgency and consequent lack of political will to implement MSP

Proposed ways to overcome obstacles to MSP progress

Challenge	How to overcome
Large differences in the physical and geographical features of the seas	Transfer of some responsibility for public management of maritime activities to coastal regions
Lack of strong national framework on environmental management in the marine areas	Information and involvement of stakeholders - workshops, informational seminars, discussions in coastal regions
Governments and main stakeholders are not convinced and do not see the economic benefits of MSP	Development of the Russian MSP Roadmap to facilitate developing of the MSP regulatory framework
No real competition for maritime space	Selection of pilot areas for the MSP applications with dense economic activity or most exposed to anthropogenic pressure



Engagement strategy for stakeholders

Goal

To develop approaches how to interact with MSP stakeholders and authorities to include them into the Russian MSP Roadmap

Tasks

- ✓ Identification of the stakeholder groups with their role and influence on MSP decisions
- ✓ Selection of channels of communication - how to interact with stakeholders in the project Capacity4MSP?
- ✓ Mapping of stakeholders at the federal and regional levels - coastal regions of the Baltic Sea as well as other seas
- ✓ Classification and contact list

Engagement strategy for stakeholders

Project actions

- ✓ Information (round tables, seminars, conferences, etc.)
- ✓ Questionnaire
- ✓ Construction of the Russian MSP supporting chain
- ✓ Interactive engagement tools (MSP games for ex.)

Related processes

- ✓ Inclusion of proposals for improving MSP in the Russian regional programs of the Ocean Decade for sustainable development
- ✓ Coordination of MSP and Blue Growth initiatives



Russian MSP
Supporting
chain



Methods chosen to work with stakeholders

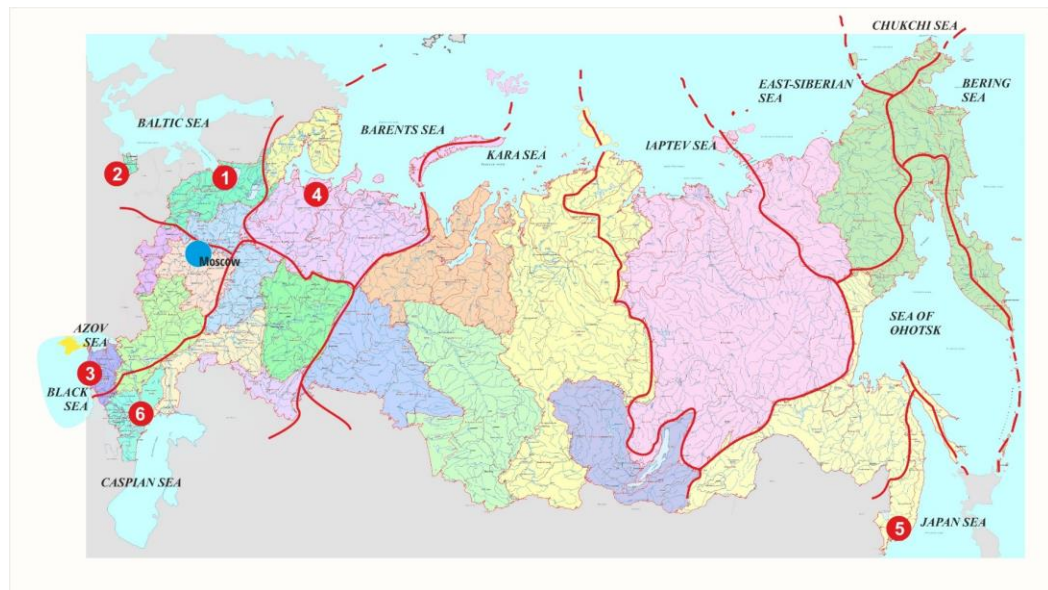
Target groups

- ✓ Those on whom MSP decisions depend, or who depend on MSP decisions;
- ✓ Those who depend on the marine resources and their limitations;
- ✓ Those who have legal obligations or can make legal claims in relation to the sea area and its resources;
- ✓ Those who have interests in the management of the marine and coastal areas and can benefit from the MSP decisions made or who can be harmed by MSP.

Expected effects

- ✓ The most acceptable MSP solution from an environmental, economic and technical point of view;
- ✓ More efficient use of information;
- ✓ Better conflict management;
- ✓ Increasing the legitimacy of the decision-making process;
- ✓ Better information;
- ✓ Improving the strategic capacity of decision-makers.

Informing events - What, Where, When



National

● Moscow 2020.09.23

Baltic Sea

1 St. Petersburg and Leningrad region 2020.10.23, **NEW** 2021.03.23

2 Kaliningrad region 2021.01.21

Black and Azov Seas

3 Krasnodarskiy Kray and Crimea 2020.09.10

Arctic zone

4 Murmansk 2020.10.29

Far East

5 Vladivostok 2020.10.07

Caspian sea

6 Astrakhan - October 2021



Informational workshop
"MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING
IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.
WHY DOES RUSSIA NEED IT?"
September 23, 2020, Moscow



Roundtable «MARINE SPATIAL
PLANNING - ROADMAP OF THE
RUSSIAN FEDERATION»
October 23, 2020, St. Petersburg
IPA CIS



Workshop "MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING"
XXI International Forum "Baltic Sea Day"
March 23, 2021, St. Petersburg

4th Baltic MSP Forum • 1-2 June 2021 • Online

Stakeholder Survey

Table 1. Sample size

	In Total	Baltic Sea	Barents Sea	Other RU seas
Quantity, Units				
Requests sent	450	210	30	210
Replies received	220	156	6	58
Support MSP	149 (68%)	93 (60%)	3 (50%)	56 (88%)
Support the development of a pilot MSP in their regions	137 (63%)	116 (75%)	5 (83%)	21 (33%)

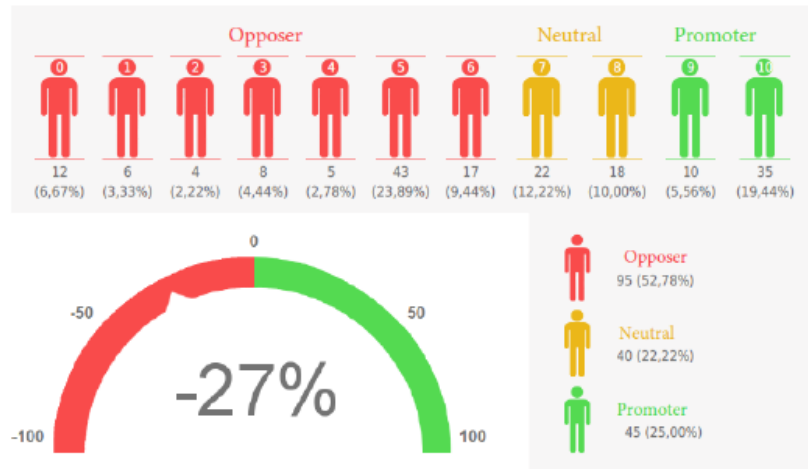


Fig.10 - The interest of the regional (district, municipal) authorities in taking on part of the authority for the development of marine activities and the development of a maritime spatial plan / integrated coastal management plan



<https://vasab.org/russian-msp-stakeholder-survey/>

Table 2. The number of respondents who completed the survey by groups

Groups of respondents	Requests sent	Answers received	%
State authorities	39	3	7,7
National business and public organizations	24	1	4,2
Regional authorities and local government bodies	209	180	86,1
Regional business and public organizations	112	9	8
Others	66	27	40,9
In Total	450	220	48,9

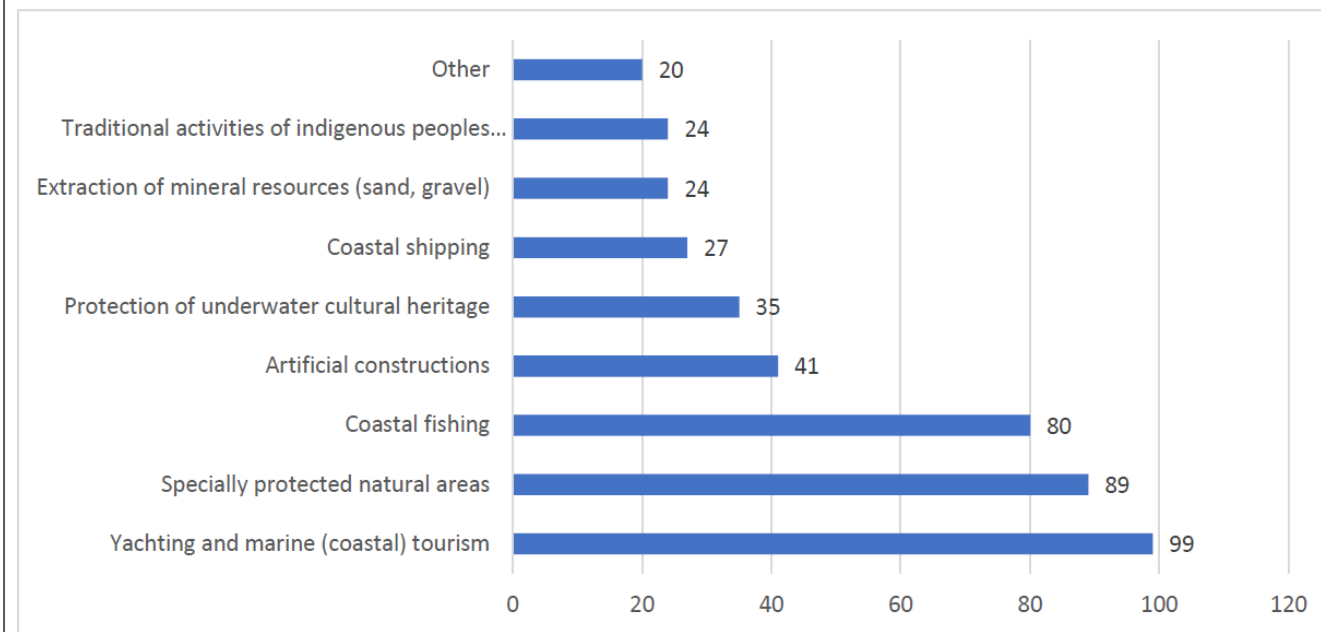


Fig.11 - Transfer of authority to manage maritime activities within the territorial sea (approximately 20 km from the main shoreline) is advisable to region (district, municipality) by the respondents.

MSP Interactive games



<https://www.ermaknw.ru/projects/msp-game>



Intermediate results

- ✓ Regional Stakeholders informed about MSP
- ✓ Coastal regions as a whole are interested in transferring to them of some powers on the state management of maritime activities and MSP
- ✓ The main types of maritime activities, the management of which, in the opinion of the regions, should be transferred to the regional level identified:
 - Nature protected areas of the regional significance that include the sea area
 - Marine tourism
 - coastal protection
- ✓ The promotion of MSP is supported by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, as well as the Scientific and Expert Council of the Marine Collegium under the Government of the Russian Federation

What-to-do list

- ✓ Regional workshop for the stakeholders of the Caspian Sea (with the support of the IPA CIS)
- ✓ Presentation of the MSP Roadmap at the **Strategy Forum** and the **Scientific conference of the RSHU - October 2021**

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Thank you for your
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