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UPDATES ON PROGRESS FROM NAIROBI CONVENTION'S COP 9

DECISION 10

MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING FOR THE BLUE AND OCEAN ECONOMY

in which the Secretariat was requested to, inter alia, develop capacity-building programmes on **marine spatial planning** as a tool for sustainable economic growth.

A **Marine Spatial Planning Technical Working Group** was established, with 21 members nominated by national Focal Points.

A **Marine Spatial Planning Strategy** has been developed and is set to be released towards the end of 2021. The strategy identifies strategic priorities that would contextualize the global blue economy narrative for the WIO region, provide for the harmonization of legal instruments for blue economy practices, and improve mapping of the biophysical environment and human activities.



For more information on how Decision 10 of the 9th Conference of Parties was implemented, [click here](#).