





A Strategic Framework for Marine Spatial Planning in the Western Indian Ocean

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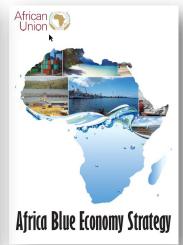
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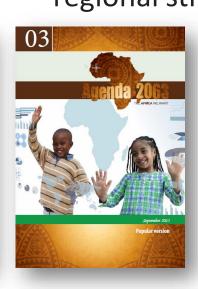
Need for a regional MSP framework

Parties to the Nairobi Convention (NC) and partners, Dar es Salaam, March 2019 ... requested the Nairobi Convention Secretariat to work with partners to develop a regional strategy

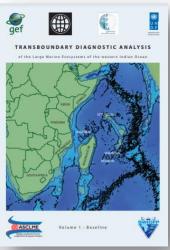














Source	Title
African Union	Africa's Integrated Maritime Strategy 2050 (AIMS)
	Africa Blue Economy Strategy 2019
African Union Commission	Agenda 2063. The Africa we want
African Union, UNEP	African Strategy for Ocean Governance
UN Development Programme	Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA) of the Large Marine Ecosystems of the western Indian Ocean
	A Strategic Action Programme (SAP) for Sustainable Management of the Western Indian Ocean Large Marine Ecosystems



Definition of MSP

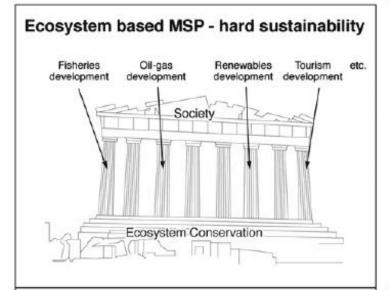
MSP is "a process of analyzing and allocating parts of three-dimensional marine spaces (or ecosystems) to specific uses or objectives, to achieve ecological, economic, and social objectives that are usually specified through a political process"

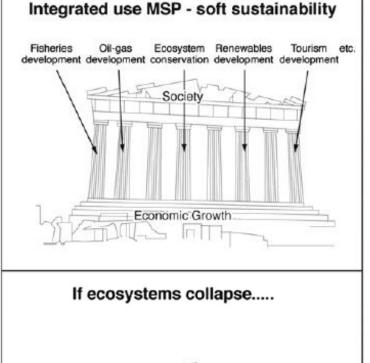
MSP is a <u>process</u> that is:

- ecosystem-based
- integrated across sectors & agencies
- area-based
- adaptive
- strategic and anticipatory
- and participatory

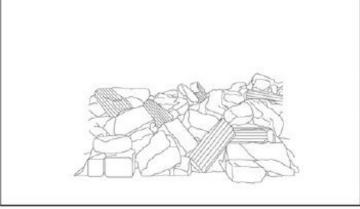
Ecosystem-based versus Integrated use MSP



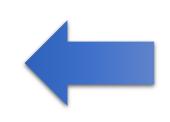








If ecosystems collapse.....

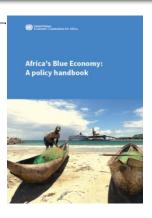


Adapted from Qiu and Jones (2016)

Guiding principles

UN SDGs
UNEP's proposed new Marine
and Coastal Strategy (2020-2030)
UN Economic Commission for
Africa (UNECA 2016)







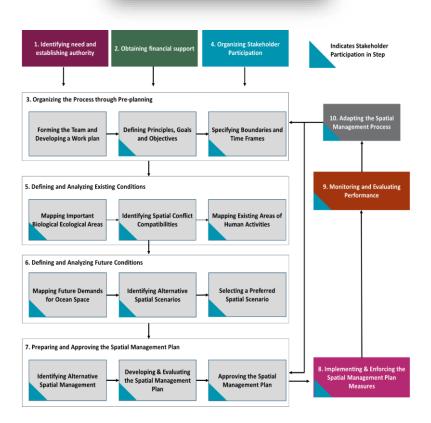
- An ecosystem-based approach
- A Systems thinking approach
- A multi-stakeholder-based approach
- A sound evidence base for decision-making
- Transparency and accountability
- Policy coherence
- Cooperation
- Shared benefits and prosperity for all

Annex 1: Malawi Principles for the Ecosystem Approach

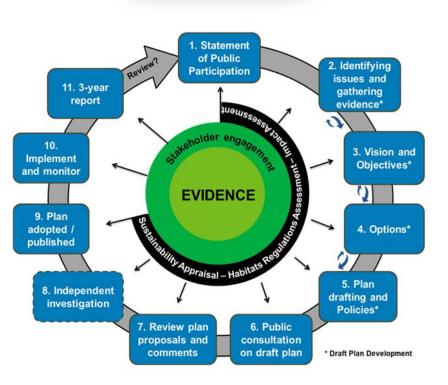
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Best practice











Marine Plan
Partnership
Pacific North Coast



Governance challenges

- Inefficient governance system
- Lack of integration
- Limited access to data
- Lack of funds & inefficient spending
- Limited technical and human capacity
- Lack of monitoring and evaluation
- User/stakeholder conflicts
- Outdated legal/regulatory frameworks
- Human population growth
- Regional issues not prioritised by nations

Threatening processes













- Biodiversity loss
- Habitat loss/destruction
- Unsustainable fishing
- Pollution & sedimentation
- Climate-driven changes
- Piracy/marine safety & security
- Poor management of ship traffic

Benefits of regional MSP

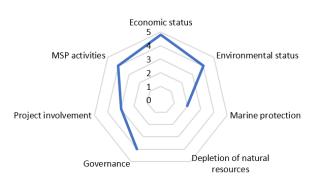


- Increased resilience to climate change
- Effective management of marine ecosystems /processes
- Effective management of migratory marine species
- A reduction of overexploitation
- Improved understanding of regional ecosystem services
- Reduced habitat modification
- Improved water quality management
- Mitigation and reduction of pressures (*pollution)
- Conflict management
- Improved knowledge management (monitoring/data)
- Conservation of ABNJ
- Improved maritime safety & security

Comoros

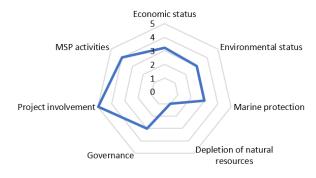
MSP activities 4 Environmental status 2 1 0 Marine protection Governance Depletion of natural resources

France (Reunion Island)

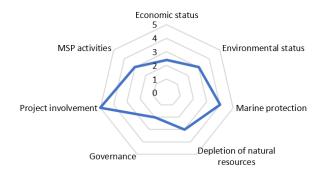


National MSP readiness in the WIO

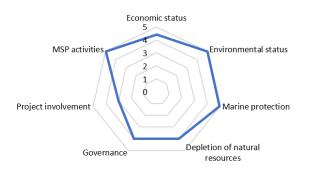
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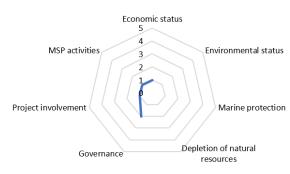
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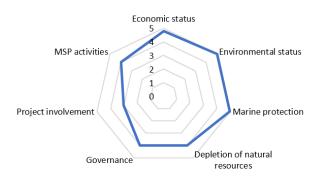
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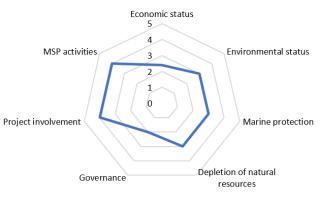
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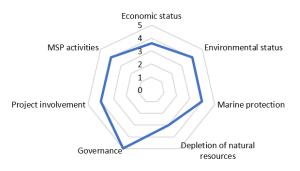
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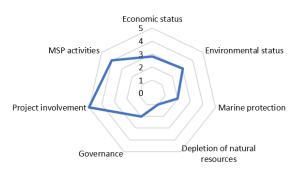
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of the global blue economy narrative for the WIO region



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Multilateral stock management plans



Management & protection of ABNJ

Increased ocean protection



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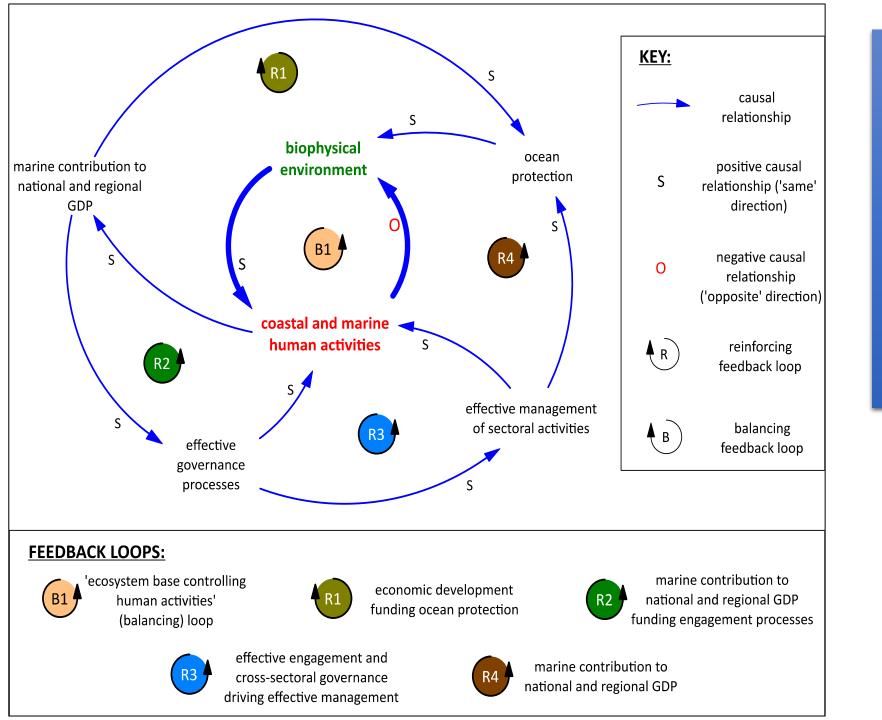
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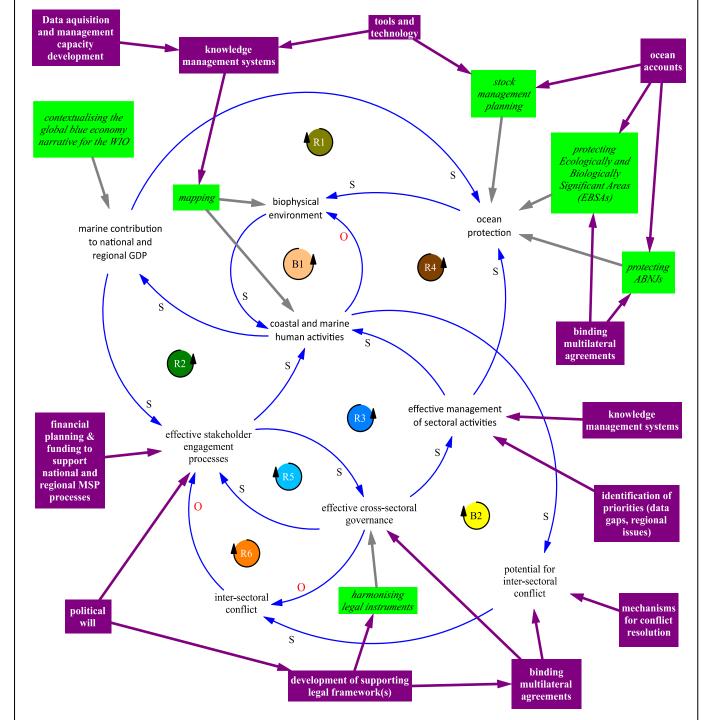
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Systemic perspectives of strategic priorities

High-level causal loop diagram (CLD)



Expanded CLD with enabling mechanisms shown in relation to leverage points

Strategic Recommendations

- 1. Agree to ratify and adopt the strategy
- 2. Agree to harmonise in-country MSP development with strategy
- 3. Secure funding and develop capacity MSP
- 4. Develop regional partnerships (e.g. SADC, RFMOs, IOC, etc.)
- 5. Ensure that MSP follows an ecosystems-based approach ("Malawi Principles")

Technical Recommendations

- 1. Promote an enabling policy environment for in-country MSP legislation.
- 2. Assist with establishment of in-country cross-sectoral forums/committees/working groups
- 3. Develop in-country knowledge management systems
- 4. Develop a communication and stakeholder engagement plan

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