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Goals

marine  
spatial  
planning  
roadmap



# Marine Spatial Planning in the WestMED

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# Governance and technology for a sustainable blue economy in WestMED



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## PA 1: TRANSBOUNDARY MSP

Guidance on transboundary MSP

Transboundary projects in WestMED & SE Pacific / 3rd International Conference

## PA 2: SUSTAINABLE BLUE GROWTH

MSP and Blue Growth Studies and Conferences at global and regional scale

## PA 3: ECOSYSTEM-BASED MSP

Knowledge and capacities on environmental pressures

## PA 4: CAPACITY BUILDING

Training the trainer for planning our ocean in line with Agenda 2030 targets

## PA 5: MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING

International Fórum of experts and joint communication actions



Government Offices of Sweden



Government of  
the Netherlands



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**COASTAL AND MARINE ECOSYSTEM-BASED  
MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING (ICZM & MSP)  
INCLUDING SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY  
AND LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEMS**

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**COASTAL AND MARINE HAZARDS  
ADAPTATION AND PREPAREDNESS THROUGH  
EBM/AREA-BASED MANAGEMENT TOOLS**

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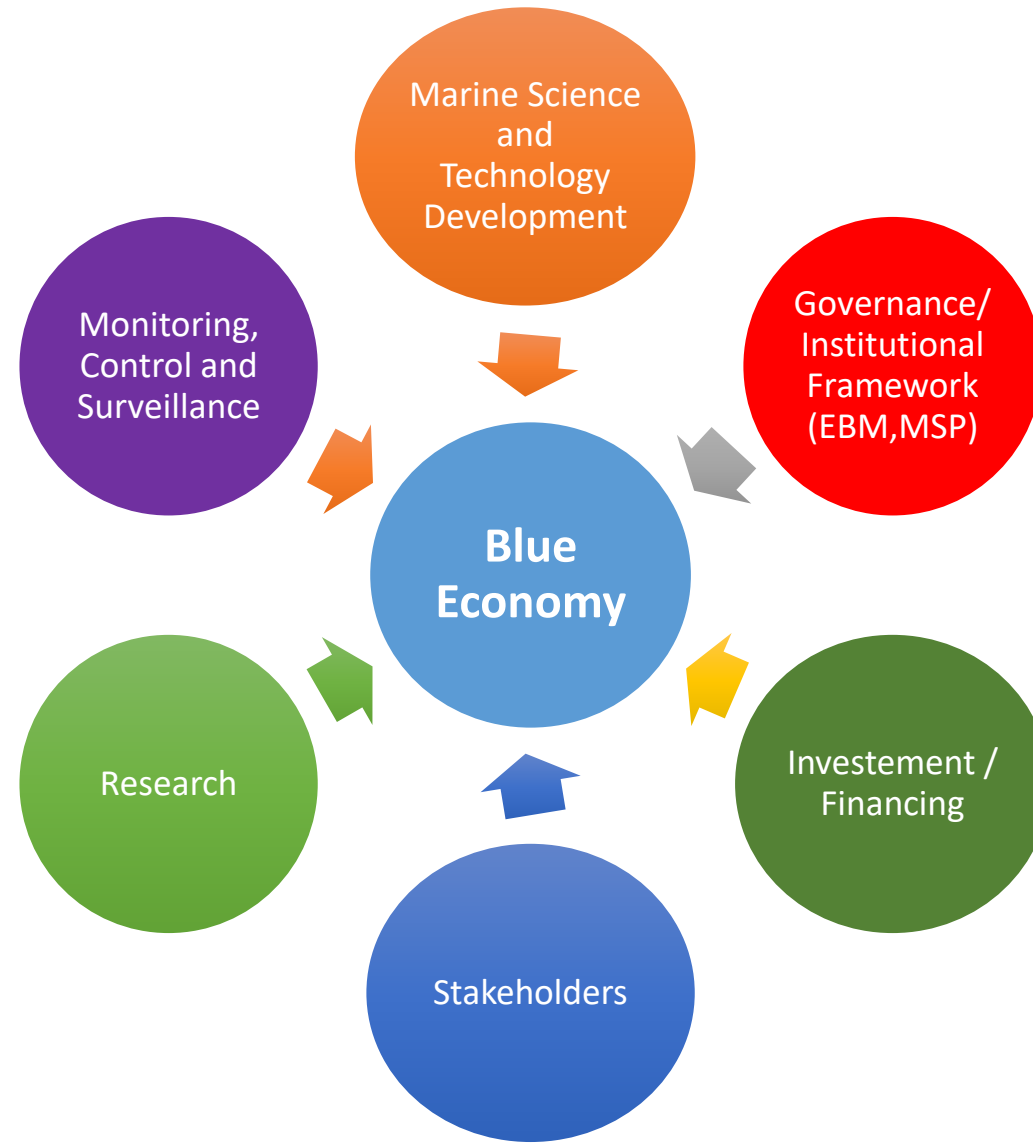
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**COASTAL AND MARINE DATA, INFORMATION  
AND DECISION SUPPORT TOOLS**

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# Towards a sustainable blue economy



# MSP & ICZM & Climate change



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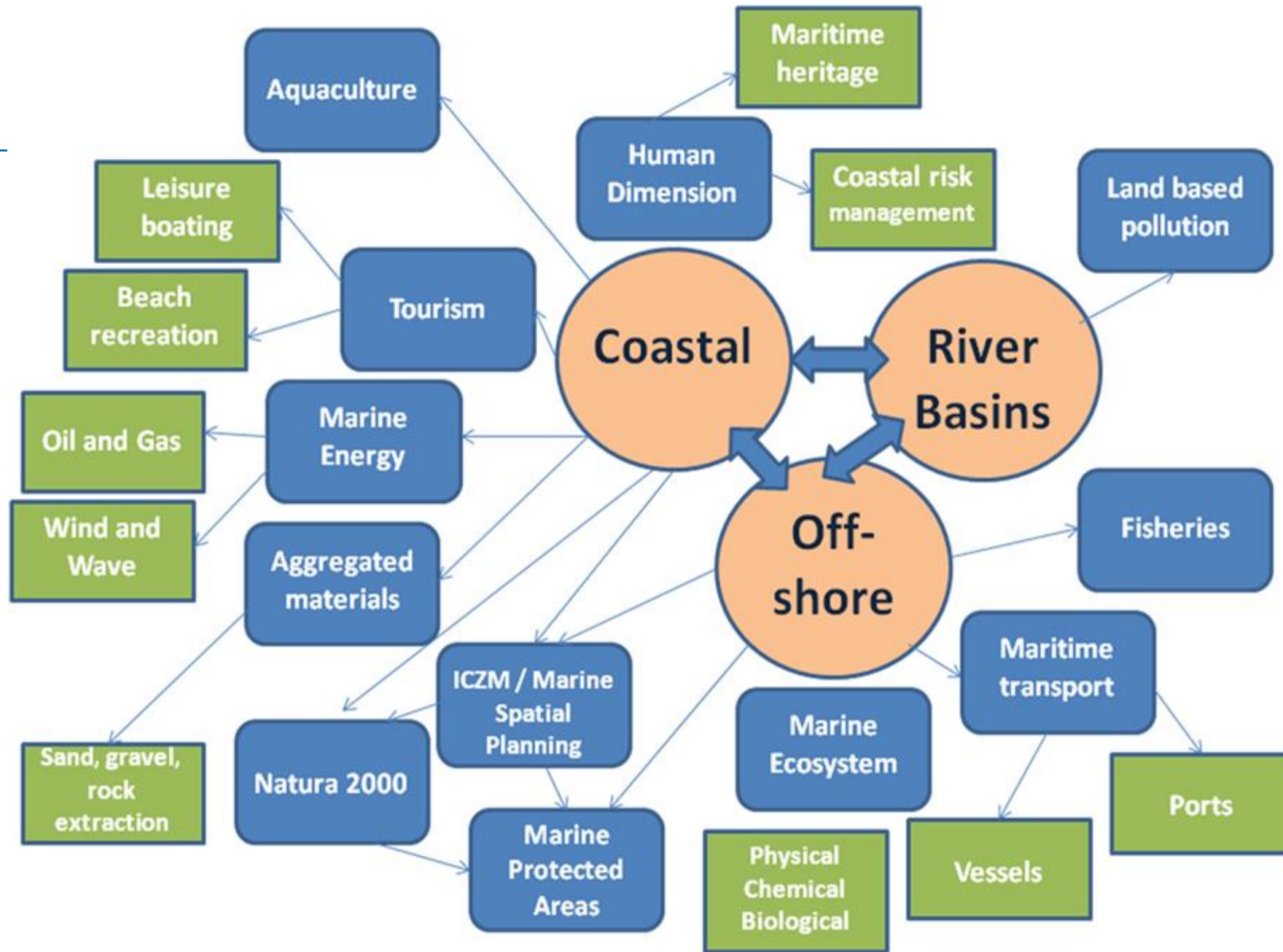
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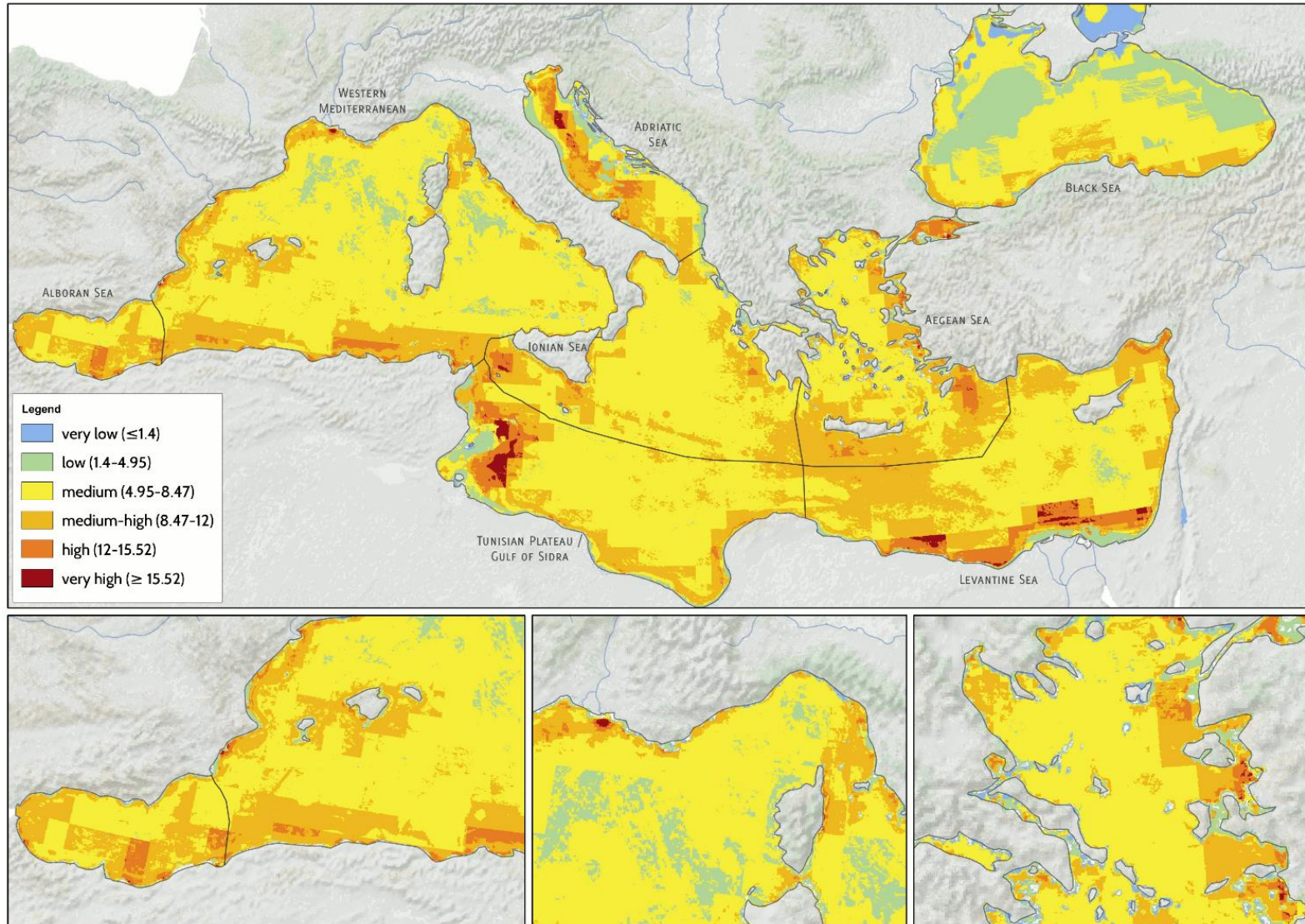


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# Cumulative stressors



Micheli F, Halpern BS, Walbridge S, Ciriaco S, Ferretti F, et al. (2013) Cumulative Human Impacts on Mediterranean and Black Sea Marine Ecosystems: Assessing Current Pressures and Opportunities. PLOS ONE 8(12): e79889. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0079889>

- Similarities (*in theory*):
  - Ecosystem approach
  - Land-Sea Interaction
  - Integrative (multi-sectorial) approach
  - Sustainable use and management
  - Stakeholder participation

**In practice**, similarities, differences and overlaps are results of the policy framework of each country!

# Example: Mediterranean

- **Barcelona Convention** -> ICZM Protocol
- **Mid-Term Strategy 2016–2021**: recommended to strengthen activities on MSP as part of ICZM
- **Conceptual Framework for MSP (2017)**: developed to facilitate the introduction of MSP under the Barcelona Convention and linked to the ICZM Protocol
- **Challenges**: different authorities for ICZM and MSP + unbalanced distribution of experiences between EU and non-EU countries

MSP as the main 'tool' to implement ICZM in the marine domain

**OBS 1**: Geographical overlap of the ICZM Protocol and the EU MSP Directive: both include the **Territorial Sea**.

**OBS 2**: Some MED countries have not claimed/agreed its **EEZ** yet.

# Objectives

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Building synergies to promote the integration of ocean-related hazards and climate change adaptation within coastal and marine management and planning tools to improve preparedness and resilience of coastal communities

**Coastal cities  
adaptation and  
preparedness**

In collaboration with  
Member States

**Coastal and Marine  
Risks**

In collaboration with  
**IOC/TSU, MSPglobal**  
& Member States

**Resilience of coastal  
communities**

In collaboration with  
Large Marine Ecosystems  
and Member States

**Scenarios for MSP  
and Blue Economy**

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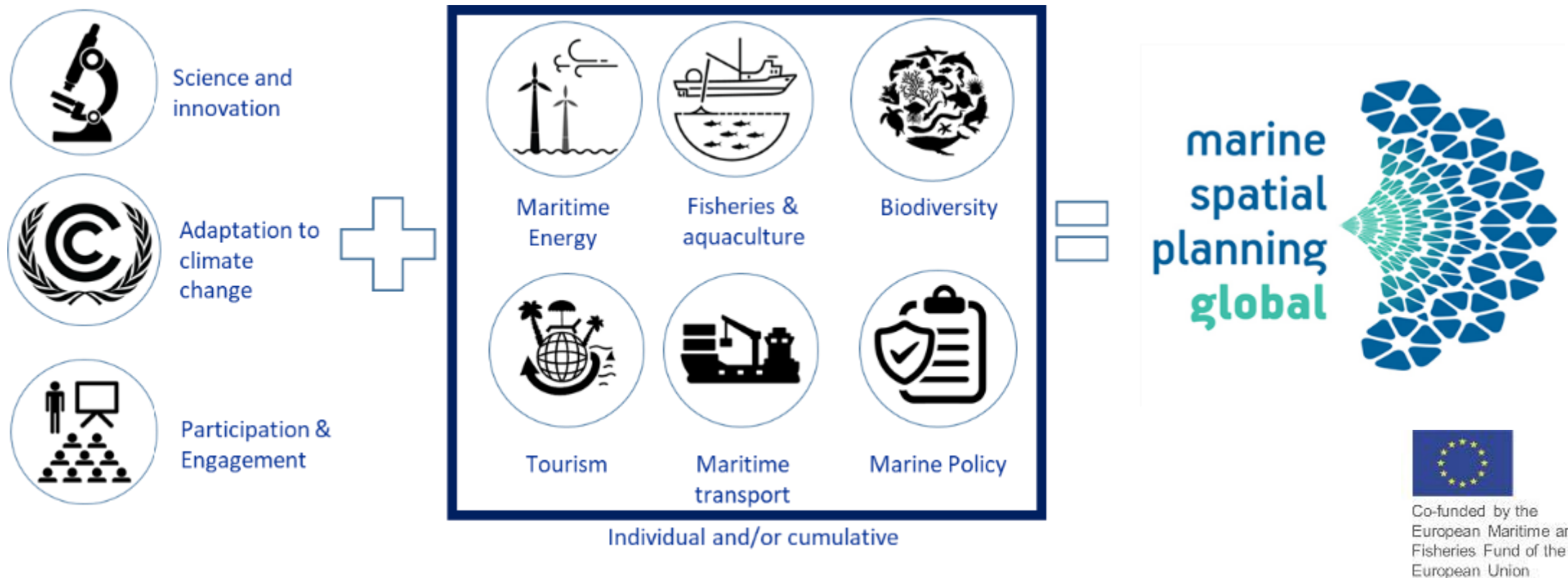


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- Promoting ecosystem-based approaches at global and regional scale through internationally accepted guidance on **Marine Spatial Planning and Sustainable Blue Economy**





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¡Gracias!

Grazie!

Merci !

Thanks!

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