

SIMAtlantic overview

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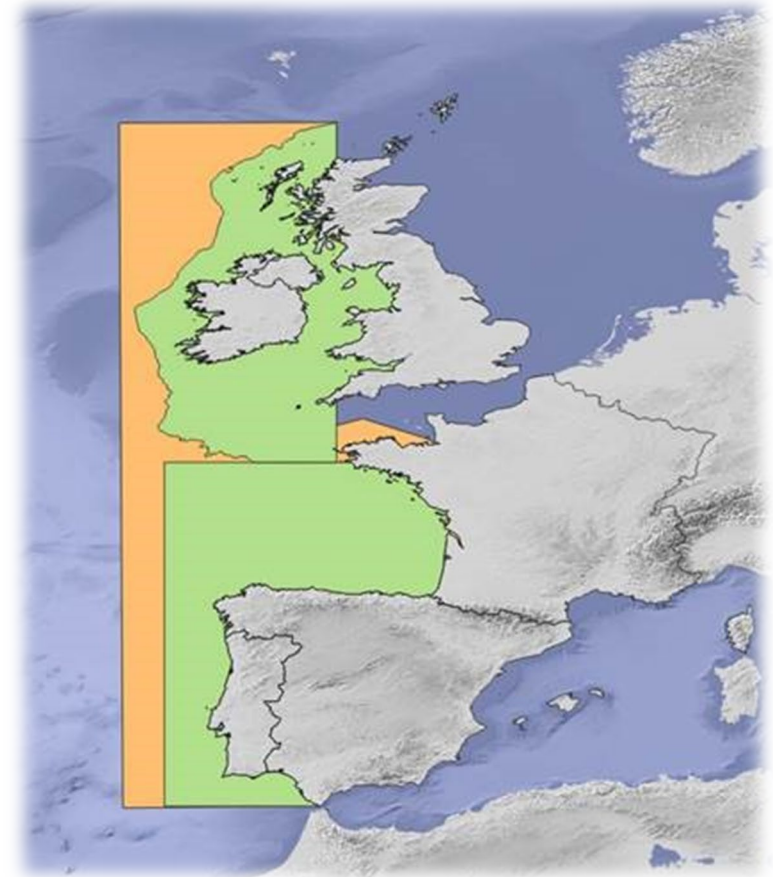


Supporting the implementation of maritime spatial planning in the Atlantic region

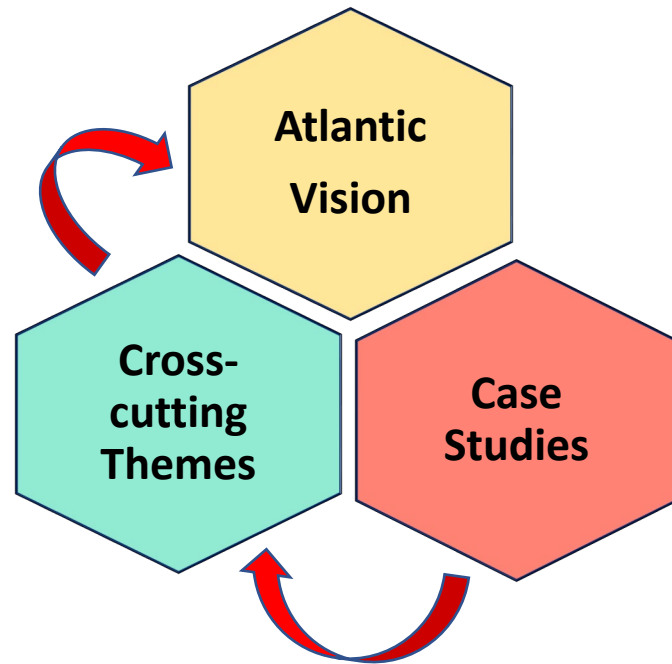
Concrete actions:

1. To **build capacity** for implementation of the Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) Directive and
2. To provide support for the establishment of **lasting mechanisms** for cross-border cooperation on MSP in the Atlantic region.

Project deliverables and outputs have been designed so as to be **transferable** to other parts of the Atlantic region and other sea basin contexts and consequently will help to support cross-border cooperation on MSP in future.



SIMAtlantic project design



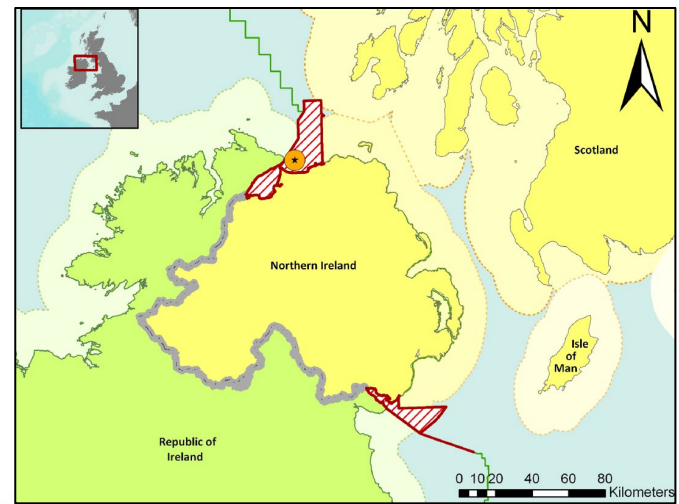
- Practical examples and applications
- Wider, strategic considerations
- Lessons and recommendations for the future





CS1 Management of marine activities in transboundary loughs

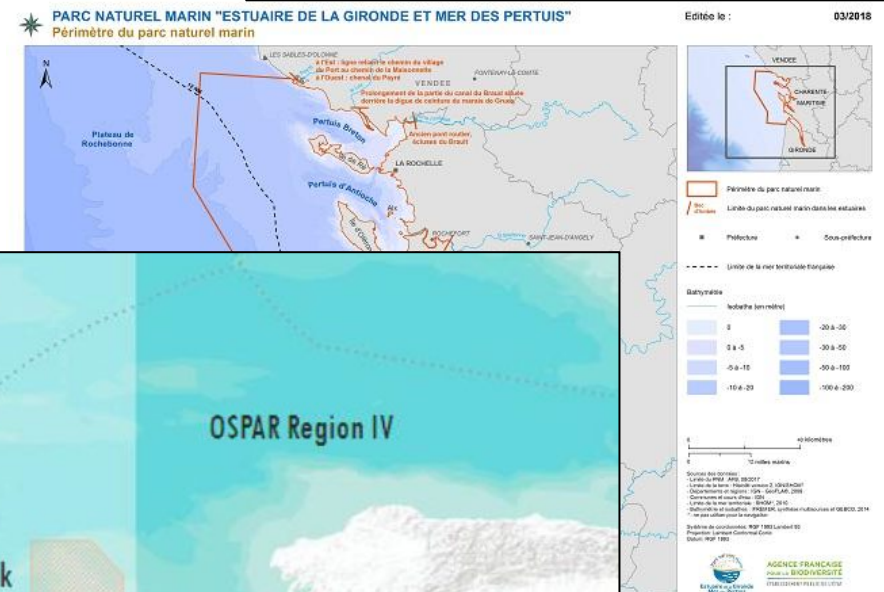
Practical transboundary guidance for planning and managing marine activities in Carlingford Lough between NI and RoI



Case Study Areas

CS2 Communication of MSP in French MPA

Communication portal to disseminate components of maritime spatial plans tested in Gironde Estuarine and Pertuis Seas MPA

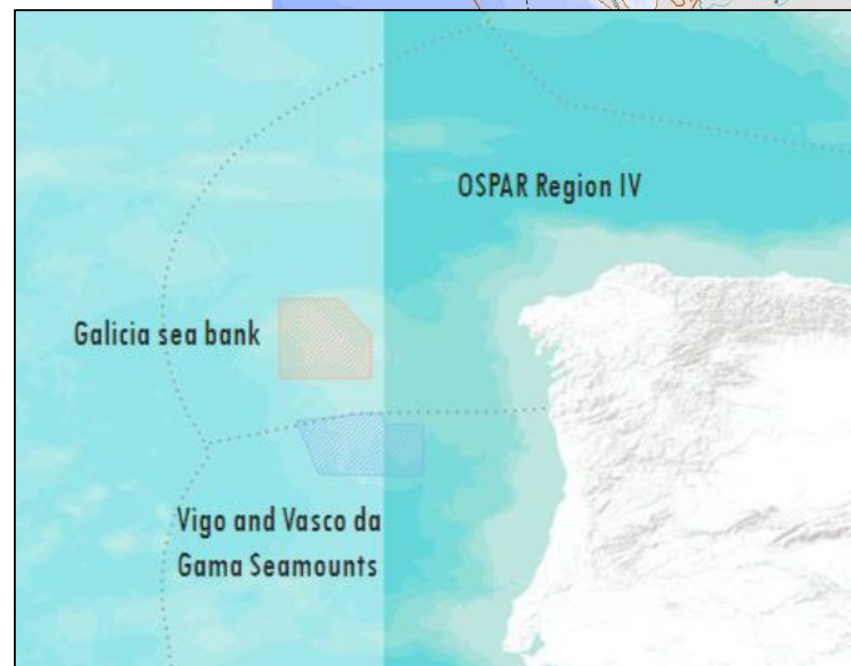


CS3 Transboundary Impact Assessment in North-east Iberian Peninsula

Pilot Cumulative Impact Assessment Study and Guidelines for application of cumulative transboundary impact assessment

CS4 Land Sea Interactions and MSP in the Irish Sea

Recommendations on how to address LSI in the Irish Sea Basin





T1 Governance

Addresses how other key legal instruments interact with MSP, especially in transboundary areas

Cross-cutting Themes

T2 Cumulative Impacts and SEA

Exchange of expertise and co-development of CEA/CIA methodology for transboundary systems

T3 Data Use and Sharing

T4 Land Sea Interactions

Demonstrator tool to bring together MS data and encourage interoperability

Building on case study, consider how competent authorities in Atlantic will address LSI in MSP





1. Description of
MSP relevant
information

Literature review on geography, habitats,
physical features, oceanography and
governance characteristics in the region

Atlantic
Vision

2. Identification
and analysis of
current spatial
uses and needs

Document current uses and future
sectoral growth scenarios to assist with
integration

3. 'Atlantic Vision'
for MSP

Evidence-based identification of common
MSP objectives for the region and how
these can be realised



Today's event

Share learnings and best practice from the SIMAtlantic project and elsewhere, to assist in shaping future cooperation and coherence in MSP.

Foster discussions and develop ideas around cooperation and coherence.

AGENDA

09.00–10.30 Session 1 Developing a vision for MSP in the European Atlantic region

11.00–12.30 Session 2A Governance for transboundary MSP

11.00–12.30 Session 2B Data sharing and stakeholder engagement

13.00–14.30 Session 3A Beyond environmental assessment towards ecosystem-based MSP

13.00–14.30 Session 3B Approaches to land-sea interactions in the European Atlantic and beyond

15.00–16.30 Session 4 Achieving cooperation and coherence in European Atlantic MSP

