Regional geospatial workflows and potential applications to the Sustainable Development Goals of Arab countries: A case study on marine and coastal indicators in the Mediterranean Sea

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Potential of spatial information to monitor biodiversity loss and human use

- Monitoring can be done through
 - data coming from observation (inventories, field sampling, field mapping, remote sensing, image interpretation) => precise and standardised
 - modelled data => less precise, used for gap-filling
- Independently of the source, any type of data generated needs to be validated
 - Stake holders
 - Ground truthing in the field

Types of spatial data used for SDG assessments

- NSDI fundamental layers
- Topographic reference layer
- Statistical data with geographic reference
- Sampling/survey data
- Modelled data
- Reporting data
- Remote sensing data













Reporting data

Species of Conservation Importance



Disaggregating (sub)national statistics



Number of nights spent at hotels (2015) at categorical NUTS 2 level (left) and at 10km grid level (right)

Modelled data based on observed data

Pollution by maritime transport



Combination of observed & modelled data

Invasive Alien Species (IAS) due to maritime transport





Introduction of alien species by transport is represented by the total number of species that have been introduced due to the activities of vessels and ports in the Mediterranean Sea, according to EASIN (JRC) data. Number of species is distrubed in a grid cell with a resolution of 10 km. Map classifications are based on EASIN criteria.

Modelled data based on national statistics

Nutrient Input



From local data to global assessment



Human Pressure Indicator



Developing a Cumulative Impacts Indicator from composite data sets and models

Layer	Reference data			
1. Climate change	Change in sea surface temperature (SST). NCEAS, 2008.			
	Sea level rise (SLR) along the European coast. CNES/LEGOS/CNS, 1993-2013.			
2. Aquaculture	Fish farms in the Mediterranean Sea. Trujillo et al., 2012.			
	Shellfish production areas. EMODnet Human Activities, 2014.			
3. Fishing	Fishing ports and fleet statistics. DG-MARE, 2014.			
	Marine ecosystems on soft bottoms. NCEAS, 2008.			
	Bathymetry. GEBCO, 2014.			
	Biodiversity. EMODnet Biology Portal, 2014.			
4. Marine litter	Numerical modelling of floating debris in the world's oceans. Lebreton et al., 2012.			
	Fifteen-year average of total marine litter in the Mediterranean Sea. IFREMER, 2014.			
5. Maritime transport	Marine exposure due to port activity. Eurostat, 2012.			
	Ocean-based pollution. NCEAS, 2008.			
	Oil spill density. REMPEC, 1977-2014; CNR-IIA, 2012.			
6. Coastal tourism	Marinas: number of moorings. Plan Bleu, 2014; Spanish Federation of Associations of Tourist Marinas, 2014; Portbooker.com, 2014; EEA, 2014.			



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6.6 By 2020, protect and restore water-related ecosystems , including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers and lakes	<u>6.6.1</u> Change in the extent of water-related ecosystems over time
9.1 Develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure , including regional and trans-border infrastructure, to support economic development and human well-being, with a focus on affordable and equitable access for all	<u>9.1.1</u> Proportion of the rural population who live within 2 km of an all-season road
11.7 By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces , in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities	<u>11.7.1</u> Average share of the built-up area of cities that is open space for public use for all, by sex, age and persons with disabilities
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SDG indicators will require:

- 1. RELIABILITY of data sources (official sources, peer-reviewed methodologies, validation, ground truthing)
- 2. HARMONISATION of data (coming from different sources) and methods
- 3. REPEATABILITY of methodologies to ensure monitoring of indicators
- 4. AVAILIBILITY of time series









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SDG indicators

Goal 6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and s	sanitation for all	
6.1 By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all	6.1.1 Proportion of population using safely managed drinking water services	
6.2 By 2030, achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open defecation, paying special attention to the needs of women and girls and those in vulnerable situations	6.2.1 Proportion of population using safely managed sanitation services, including a hand-washing facility with soap and water	6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
6.3 By 2030, improve water quality by reducing pollution, eliminating dumping and minimizing release of hazardous chemicals and materials,	6.3.1 Proportion of wastewater safely treated	Q
halving the proportion of untreated wastewater and substantially increasing recycling and safe reuse globally	6.3.2 Proportion of bodies of water with good ambient water quality	
6.4 By 2030, substantially increase water-use efficiency across all sectors and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address	6.4.1 Change in water-use efficiency over time	12 CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
water scarcity and substantially reduce the number of people suffering from water scarcity	6.4.2 Level of water stress: freshwater withdrawal as a proportion of available freshwater resources	CO
6.5 By 2030, implement integrated water resources management at all	6.5.1 Degree of integrated water resources management implementation (0-100)	
levels, including through transboundary cooperation as appropriate	6.5.2 Proportion of transboundary basin area with an operational arrangement for water cooperation	0
6.6 By 2020, protect and restore water-related ecosystems, including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers and lakes	6.6.1 Change in the extent of water-related ecosystems over time	SUSTAINABLE
6.a By 2030, expand international cooperation and capacity-building support to developing countries in water- and sanitation-related activities and programmes, including water harvesting, desalination, water efficiency, wastewater treatment, recycling and reuse technologies	6.a.1 Amount of water- and sanitation-related official development assistance that is part of a government-coordinated spending plan	GMALS
6.b Support and strengthen the participation of local communities in improving water and sanitation management	6.b.1 Proportion of local administrative units with established and operational policies and procedures for participation of local communities in water and sanitation management	



Satellite-based coastal wetland monitoring



Satellite-based wetland monitoring

Land Use Land Cover (LULC) Burullus (Egypt) 2005







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Aggregation of site data to national extent data



SDG indicators

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Marine Protection 2007

Mediterranean Marine Protected Areas



Marine Protection 2014

MAPAMed 2014 update (source: Rodriguez-Rodriguez et al., 2016)



No data

Ecoregion protected in 2014 (%)

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16 - Rodríguez-Rodríguez et al.2016. Marine protected areas and fishing
 14 - reserves in the Mediterranean: assessing "actual" marine biodiversity
 protection at multiple scales.



Marine Protection in km²

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CBD Aichi Target 11 and SDG 14.5 of 10% EEZ Conservation



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Actual Management



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http://www.medmaritimeprojects.eu/section/med-iamer http://147.84.210.211:8080/geoexplorer/composer/ (map viewer with Med-IAMER data)

http://swos-service.eu/

