

MEDECA: from legislation to implementation

The 1st LIFE4MECA capacity building session and Stakeholders' workshop

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On 16 December 2022, at the IMO, the Mediterranean Sea was declared Emission Control Areas for sulphur oxides (SECA) with a date of entry into force on 1st May 2025. Furthermore, work is ongoing at the IMO and within the Barcelona Convention Parties respectively on the designation of the Atlantic as a SECA and of the Mediterranean as a NECA (Nitrogen oxides Emission Control Area).

LIFE4MECA aims to support the implementation of the MED-SECA and the preparation of the maritime sector to the required adaptation and to Provide technical support to the possible designation of an ATL-SECA. In doing so LIFE4MECA works in coordination with UNEP MAP (REMPEC) and IMO.

A key element of the LIFE4MECA approach is to share the best available knowledge with and gather best practices from the maritime sector. This is done through the ECA4MED Knowledge Centre (www.eca4med.com) that, inherited from the LIFE4MEDECA project and expanded to include results and knowledge from SAFEMED V, WESTMED and EU Mission Restore our Ocean and Waters, allows for capacity building and knowledge sharing sessions with stakeholders to be carried out.

Agenda

9:30 – 10:00 **Registration**

10:00 – 11:00 **Welcome and institutional addresses**

moderated by M. Dogliani – SDG4MED

10:00 – 10:15 Dr. I. Sammut – Director REMPEC – MED ECAs status quo and regulatory matters

10:15 – 10:25 Dr. M. Scarsi – Port Network Authority of the North Tyrrhenian Sea – The LIFE4MECA project and the aim of the session

10:25 – 10:35 Dr. K. Press – Green Global Future – ECAs experience in North Sea (*video presentation*)

10:35 – 11:00 Dr. E. Ciappi – CNR - ECA4MED the Knowledge Centre of LIFE4MEDECA and LIFE4MECA

11:00 - 12:00 **MEDECA Implementation – Alternative fuels**

moderated by S. Wella – WESTMED Hub Malta

11:00 – 11:25 Prof. M Dogliani - The ECA4MED capacity building scenario #7 “Alternative, zero carbon, fuels”

11:25 – 11:40 Dr. F. Meini – Port Network Authority of the North Tyrrhenian Sea – Alternative fuels update: are Med ports ready?

11:40 – 11:45 Dr. N. Borg – Marine Hound – Monitoring emissions in ports (*video presentation*)

11:45 – 12:00 Knowledge Sharing - contributions from the floor

12:00 - 12:30 **ECA4MED Survey**

Step by step presentation of the ECA4MED survey to stakeholders and participants

12:30 - 14:30 **Working lunch and networking**

Stakeholders are encouraged to network and to fill the ECA4MED survey at the available working stations

14:30 - 15:45 **MEDECA Implementation – Energy efficiency, including fishing boats**

moderated by M. Manzari – WESTMED Hub Italy

14:30 – 15:00 Dr. E. Paifelman – CNR – The ECA4MED capacity building scenario 6 “Energy efficiency”

15:00 – 15:15 Prof. B. Beladjine – ORAN University – POWER4MED: energy efficient MED fishing fleet

15:15 – 15:30 Dr. G. Coletta – NAVALEGT – Green retrofitting: are Med fisheries ready?

15:30 – 15:45 Knowledge Sharing - contributions from the floor

15:45 – 16:30 **LIFE4MECA next steps and closing remarks**

15:45 – 16:00 Dr. L. Palazzo (tbc) – Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri – Dipartimento per le politiche di coesione e per il sud – INTERREG cooperation in the MED: synergies for innovation

16:00 – 16:15 Dr. L. Manzari – WESTMED Italy Hub – Summary of contributions

16:15 – 16:30 Prof. M. Dogliani – LIFE4MECA next steps