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Explanatory meetings of the EU acquis – Chapter 13

Maritime Spatial Planning

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What is Maritime Spatial Planning?

Where

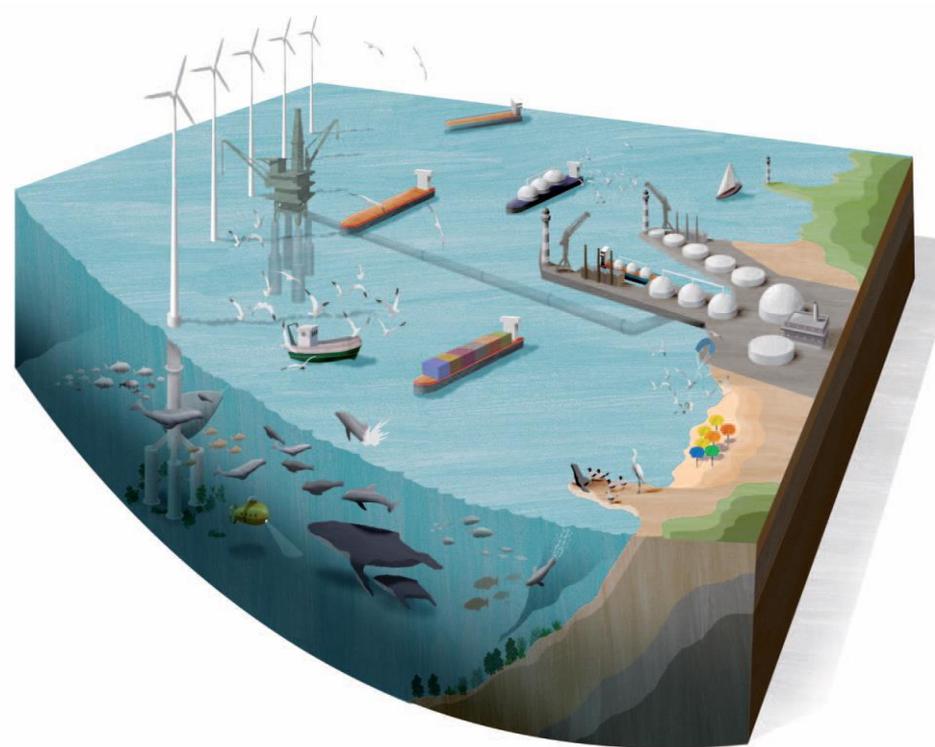


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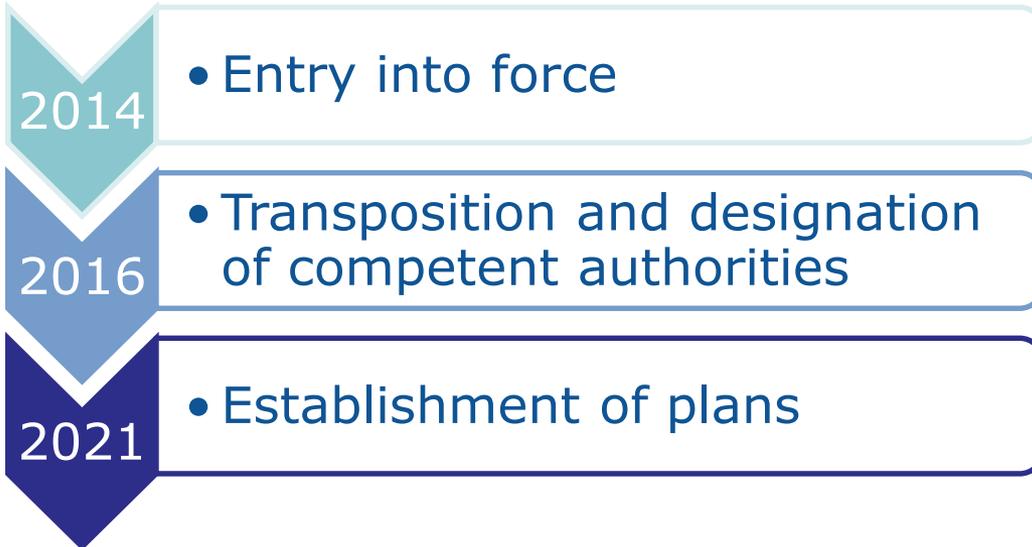


Why is MSP a priority for Europe?

- ✓ *Reduce conflicts on access to maritime space*
- ✓ *Reduce cumulative impact of maritime activities on the environment*
- ✓ *Reduce co-ordination costs for public authorities*
- ✓ *Improve certainty and predictability for private investments*

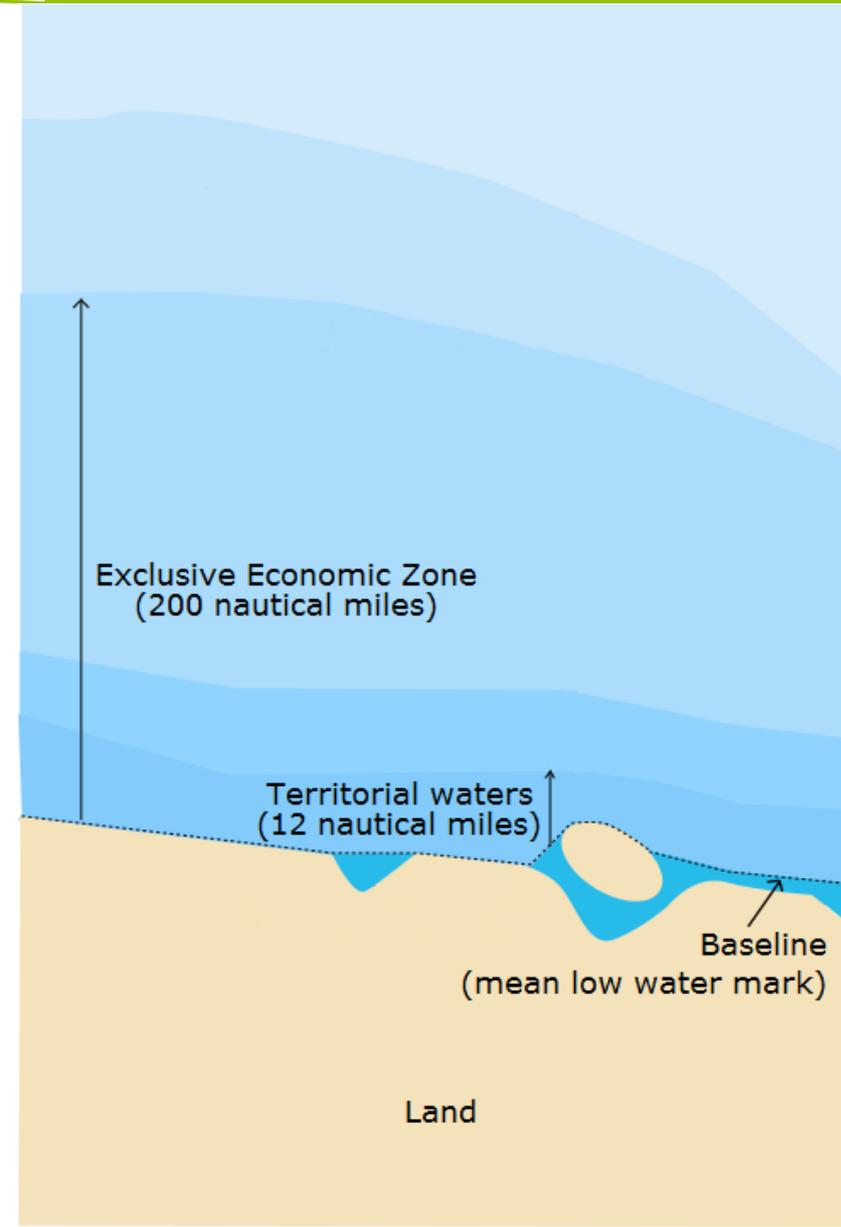


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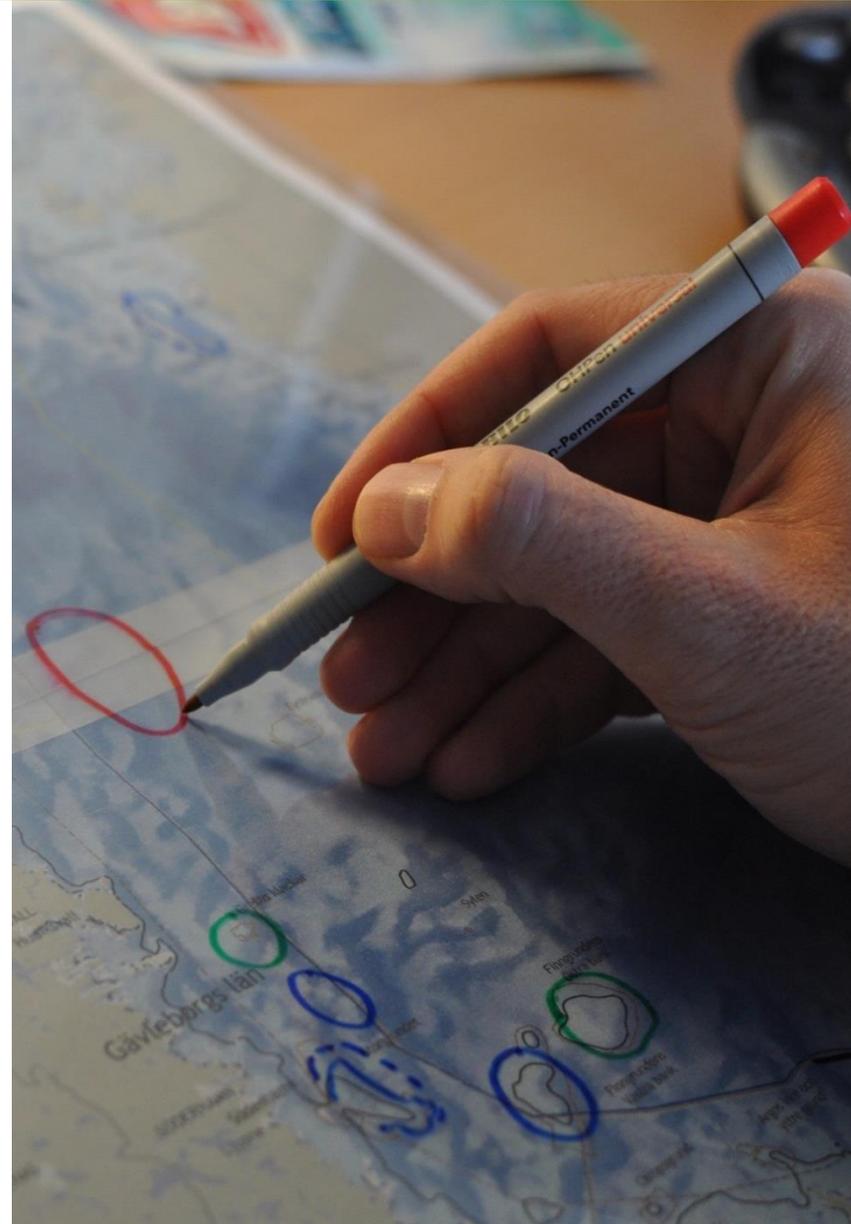
Geographical coverage

Marine waters (coastal waters, territorial waters and EEZ).



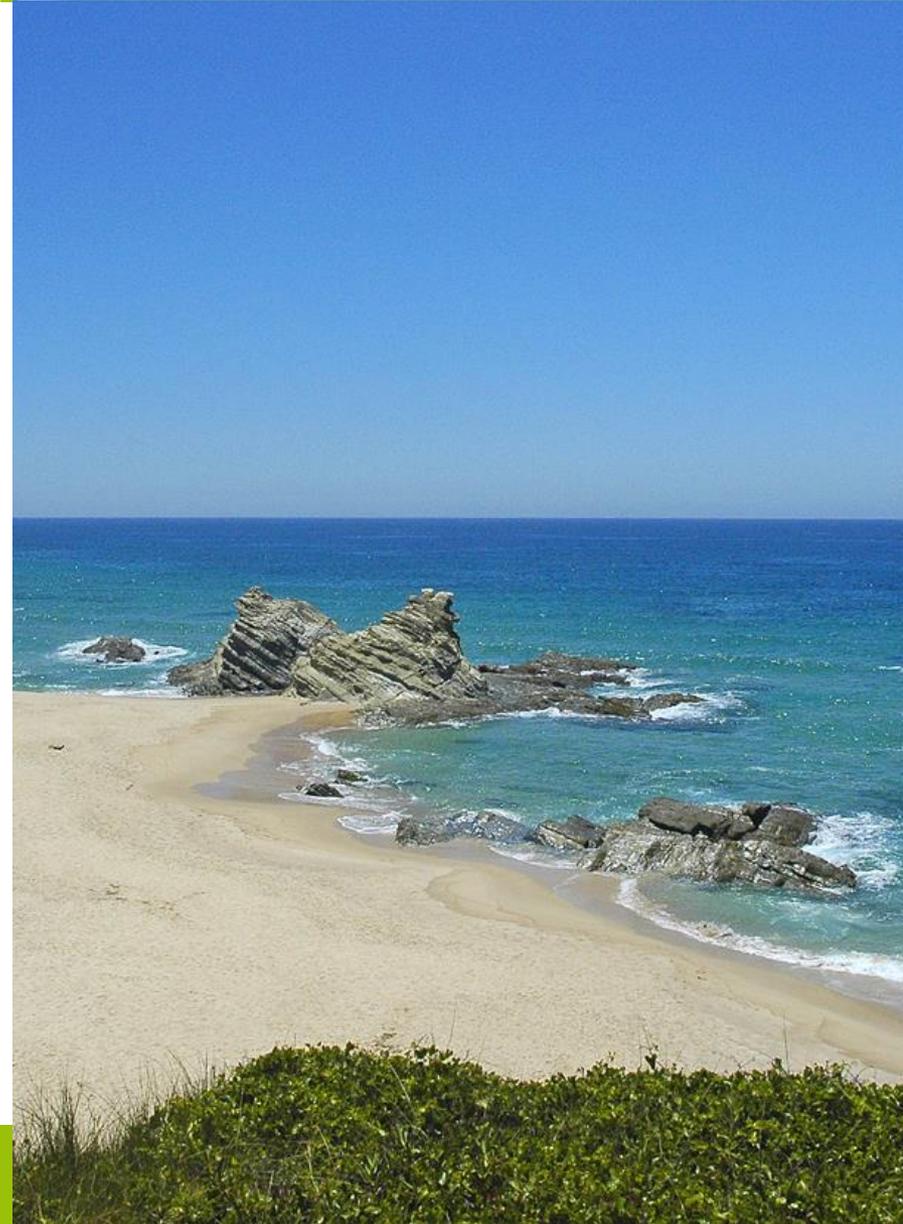
MSP Directive

- *Designate MSP authorities*
- *Draw up maritime spatial plans*
- *Involve stakeholders*
- *Cooperate with bordering Member States*
- *Apply an ecosystem-based approach*



MSP Directive

- *Use the best available data*
- *Take into account land-sea interactions*
- *Promote co-existence of activities*
- *Review the plans at least every 10 years*



Thank you for your attention

http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/policy/maritime_spatial_planning/index_en.htm

<http://www.msp-platform.eu/>

