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MEDAC WG3
16 April 2026
14h-17h
Online session

14,00-17,00:

1. Opening remarks by the coordinator (Simone Niedermueller)
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Approval of the minutes of the WG3 hybrid meeting held in Ljubljana (15 October 2025)
4. Introduction on the main actions done by the WG3 in the inter-period:
 - MEDAC advice on MSFD (Marine Strategy Directive) EU call for evidence- *coordinator*
 - Conclusions of the High Level Conference on ETP (Energy Transition) (17 February, Bruxelles) – *Rosa Caggiano*
 - Update on the MSEG (MS Expert Group) on Maritime Spatial Planning meeting (17March) - *coordinator*
 - Update on the GFCM WG meeting on vulnerable species (30-31 March) - *Carmen Battez & coordinator*
 - Brief description of the agenda of the GFCM WG on the VME (Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems) and EFH (Essential Fish Habitats) (15-17 April)-*Marzia Piron*
5. Presentation “Maritime Spatial Planning, Fisheries and Offshore Wind in the Mediterranean: interactions and pathways for coexistence.”- *Mauro Randone (WWF-Med)*
6. Presentation on the "Study Report on Assessment of potential employment, skills, and social implications of Offshore Renewable Energy development in the EU"- *Maja Lardot (Trinomics) and Tom Krusche (EU)*
7. Any other business

Activity WG3 since November

- 37th meeting of the Marine Strategy Coordination Group (MSCG) - 12 November 2025
- High Level Conference on ETP (Energy Transition) (17 February, Bruxelles) – Rosa Caggiano
- MEDAC Advice on the Call for evidence on the Revision of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) - Ref.:61/2026 , 3rd March 2026
- MSCG/MSEG group 17th March 2026 – minutes will be shared
- GFCM WG VUL 30-31 March – Carmen Battez






Upcoming meetings

- POMESA - 21 April 2026
- Workshop MED-MSP-CoP 24 April 2026
- EMD Cyprus Inter-AC workshop MSP and SSF presentation planned – 22 May 2026



Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD)

Common Implementation Strategy (CIS) meetings 2026 - tentative dates and location

Date	Title	Location
10 February 2026	MSFD review ad hoc group	Online
26 February 2026	15th TG Data meeting	Online
05 March 2026	WG DIKE Webinar – demonstration reporting monitoring programme	Online
17 March 2026	Joint MSCG-MSEG stakeholder workshop (morning only)	 Hybrid
14 April 2026	23 rd meeting of TG seabed	 Online
21 April 2026	34 POMESA Meeting	 Online or on site tbd
27 April 2026	34th WG GES meeting	Only online
April/May	WG DIKE/WG GES consultation – Dashboards- tbc	Online
May 2026	TG Noise meeting (TBC)	Online
May 2026	TG Litter meeting (TBC)	Online (TBC)
May 2026	24 th meeting of TG Seabed (1 or 1.5 days, TBC)	 Hybrid. Attendance on site (Brussels) preferable.
13 May 2026	MSCG (TBC)	 Hybrid/online (TBC)
18-19 June 2026	Water & Marine Directors meeting	Paphos, Cyprus
End June 2026	WG DIKE meeting – tbc	Online
14 October 2026	Back-to-back with 12–13 October 2026 for the URN Workshop organised by EMSA and to which TG NOISE members are invited to attend (TBC)	In presence TBC at EMSA premises in Lisbon



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