

Nordic Workshop on Marine Spatial Planning

6-8 June 2007, Copenhagen, Denmark

- Mapping tools for marine spatial planning
- Essential habitats and ecological coherence
- Fisheries perspectives in area-based management
- Nordic approaches to integrated marine management

The workshop aims to provide an **overview** of Nordic perspectives on marine spatial planning and discuss strategies, tools and approaches for better, more integrated management of the Nordic marine environment.

Workshop sessions will present and investigate **evolving aspects and approaches** to integrated marine management, new research findings, including GIS-applications, and Nordic case studies and practices related to habitat mapping and area-based management, marine zoning and Marine Protected Areas.

The workshop is intended as a **forum** for exploring perspectives and solutions to common challenges. The aim is to bring together planners and policy-makers along with researchers and representatives from different marine sectors in a series of informal knowledge-exchanges and brainstorming sessions.

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Workshop scope:

The workshop aims to provide an overview of Nordic perspectives and experiences on marine spatial planning; to discuss strategies, planning approaches and new mapping tools; and to propose recommendations for better, more integrated management of the Nordic marine environment.

Workshop sessions will present and discuss evolving aspects of integrated marine management, new research findings, including GIS-applications, and Nordic case studies and practices related to habitat mapping, marine zoning, area-based management and use of marine protected areas. The workshop will also consider topics such as the integration of different marine objectives, e.g. resource use and ecosystem conservation, via marine spatial planning.

The workshop is organised jointly by the Nordic Forum on MPAs in Marine Spatial Planning, the Danish Forest and Nature Agency, the Danish Institute for Fisheries Research, and the Danish Society for Marine Biology, through support from the Nordic Council of Ministers.

Forum for informal interdisciplinary discussions:

The workshop is intended as a forum for exploring perspectives and solutions to common challenges. The aim is to bring planners and policy-makers along with researchers and representatives from different marine sectors together in a series of informal knowledge-exchange and brainstorming sessions.

During the three days, keynote lectures will provide overviews, new knowledge and case studies on a range of issues, followed up in a series of focused discussions providing opportunities to participate in interdisciplinary interactions and exchanges of ideas and experiences. Group sessions and round-table discussions will be moderated by experts in relevant fields.

Target audience:

The workshop's target audience is a mix of Nordic marine planners and policy-makers, researchers from relevant management and policy-oriented marine research disciplines, and representatives from different marine sectors from all Nordic countries. The goal is to have broad Nordic geographic and thematic representation. The 60-80 expected participants will comprise representatives from government agencies and local council administrations, researchers, and representatives from a range of marine sectors, interest groups, as well as international organisations providing global perspectives.

Overview of Nordic experience:

An outcome of the workshop will be an illustrated report, published in a recognised series, that will collate, integrate, and synthesise the workshop findings, as well as provide a regional overview of ongoing Nordic marine spatial planning, case study examples and experiences regarding marine spatial planning, the use of MPAs in a wider spatial planning context, and new mapping tools and planning approaches.

This report will also include examples that, owing to time constraints, are unable to be presented during the workshop. If you wish to contribute information and illustrations on relevant work or experiences, please contact the workshop organisers.

(NB. Extended abstracts addressing one or several of the workshop topics will be acknowledged through reduced registration fees).

Workshop lectures and case studies:

As an input to the discussions, the following invited speakers will present lectures and case study examples:

- Paul Gilliland & Dan Laffoley (Natural England, UK): Principles in Marine Spatial Planning - The big picture
- David Connor (Joint Nature Conservation Committee, UK): Marine spatial planning, ecosystem conservation perspectives, mapping aspects
- Chris Caldwell (National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, USA): Mapping fish-habitat linkages to support MPA siting processes
- Stuart Kininmonth (Australian Institute of Marine Science, Aus): Considerations of MPA design in a scale-free small marine world
- Jeff Ardron (Bundesamt für Naturschutz, Germany): Designation of managed areas in MSP, introduction to decision-support tools
- Euan Dunn (BirdLife International, UK, Chair, North Sea RAC Working Group on Marine Spatial Planning): Marine Spatial Planning and natural resource management perspectives
- Pelagic habitats and real-time marine resource management in the North East Atlantic (tbc)
- Integrated management of the marine environment and resources along the Norwegian coast (tbc)
- Per Nilsson (University of Gothenburg, Sweden): Participatory MPA planning in Skagerrak - top-down or bottom-up?
- Trine Bekkby (NIWA, Norway): Model selection in habitat mapping, Norwegian examples
- Anna-Leena Nöjd (SYKE, Finland): Mapping of N2000 Annex 1 habitats and associated features
- Martin Isæus (Aqua Biota, Sweden): Nordic habitat mapping as a tool for integrated management
- Alexis Bench & Jessica Sanders (FAO): FAO MPA Technical Guidelines - Multiple objectives in MPA implementation – a global overview
- Fanny Douvere & Charles Ehler (IOC/ UNESCO): Making ecosystem-based management a reality: The role of Marine Spatial Planning and ocean zoning for effective MPA management – global perspectives.

Identifying good practices and ways forward

Informal discussions will seek to bring together lessons from Nordic case studies and examples of good practices, addressing topics such as: (a) Key challenges in Nordic marine spatial planning; (b) New planning approaches and mapping tools; (c) Integration of resource use and conservation objectives via marine spatial planning; and (d) Identifying Nordic approaches to marine spatial planning - recommendations on best practice and how to proceed.

PRACTICALITIES & INFORMATION

Venue: Nordatlantens Brygge, Strandgade 91, Copenhagen, Denmark - www.bryggen.dk

Accommodation & logistics: Details on hotels and local logistics are posted at the workshop website. For practical assistance on travel, bookings, etc., please do not hesitate to contact the workshop organisers.

Further information: Future information, including background documentation for use in the workshop, will be posted on the workshop website.

Workshop website: www.nordicMPAforum.org

REGISTRATION

If you are interested in participating in this event, please send an email to the email address below, indicating:

1. Your name
2. Title
3. Organisation
4. Brief details on your current work focus
5. Topics you find relevant to address in the workshop discussions.

Email: nordicmarinespatialplanning@yahoo.dk

Deadline for registration: 15 May 2007

Registration fee: €100 (including lunch & refreshments)
[DSFMB members: €80; students [limited seats]: €25]

Payment to: Danske Bank, Account number: 1551 000 1391275, Swift code: dabadkkk
OR eban: dk 533 000 000 1391275.

The number of participants will be restricted to 100 people. Registration is confirmed when payment is received. NB: *Kindly remember to state **your name** on the bank-transfer!!*

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Nordic Workshop on Marine Spatial Planning, 6-8 June 2007, Copenhagen **PRELIMINARY AGENDA**

Time	Wednesday 6 June	Time	Thursday 7 June	Time	Friday 8 June
08:30	Registration & refreshments	08:30	Refreshments	08:30	Refreshments
09:00	Welcome -Introduction to the workshop	09:00	Stuart Kininmonth: Considerations of MPA design in a scale-free small marine world	09:00	FAO MPA Technical Guidelines: Multiple objectives in MPA implementation - a global overview
09:30	Paul Gilliland & Dan Laffoley: Principles in Marine Spatial Planning - The big picture	09:45	Jeff Ardron: Designation of managed areas in MSP, introduction to decision-support tools		IOC/UNESCO: MSP, zoning and MPAs - global perspectives
10:30	David Connor: Marine spatial planning, ecosystem conservation perspectives, mapping aspects	10:30	Coffee	10:00	Coffee
11:15	Coffee	11:00	Euan Dunn: Marine Spatial Planning and natural resource management perspectives	10:30	Group discussions (Session III) <i>Marine space - a limited resource</i> : Integrating maritime, resource and conservation objectives - practical and policy-related aspects
11:30	Chris Caldwell: Mapping fish-habitat linkages to support MPA siting processes	11:45	Plenary Key points & questions from morning sessions		
12:15	Lunch	12:15	Lunch	12:15	Lunch
13:30	Plenary: Key points & questions from morning sessions <i>Case studies: Mapping & modelling tools for MSP</i>	13:30	<i>Case studies : Integrated Nordic marine management</i> Pelagic habitats and realtime marine management in the North East Atlantic (tbc)	13:30	Plenary: Report back from Group discussions
14:00	Trine Bekkby: Model selection in habitat mapping, Norwegian examples	14:00	Integrated management of the Norwegian marine environment and its resources (tbc)	14:00	Group discussions (Session IV) Nordic perspectives and approaches to marine spatial planning, e.g. MPAs and MSP - discussions on good practices and recommendation on how to proceed?
14:30	Anna-Leena Nöjd: Mapping of N2000 Annex 1 habitats and associated features in Finland	14:30	Per Nilsson: Participatory MPA planning in Skagerrak - top-down or bottom-up?		
15:00	Martin Isæus: Nordic habitat mapping as a tool for integrated management	15:00	Coffee	15:00	Coffee
15:30	Coffee	15:30	Group discussions (Session II) Approaches, tools and mapping needs in marine spatial planning - a "manager's view on mapping"	15:30	Plenary: Report back from Group discussions
16:00	Group discussions (Session I) Key challenges in Nordic marine spatial planning?	17:30	Plenary: Report back from Group discussions	16:00	Round-table discussion: Integration & synthesis Priorities and recommendations on next steps in Nordic marine spatial planning
18:00	Socialiser	18:00	Dinner	18:00	Wrap-up and closing

Workshop moderators:

Dan Laffoley (Natural England, UK), Paul Gilliland (Natural England, UK), David Connor (JNCC, UK), Carl Gustaf Lundin (IUCN Global Marine Programme), Per Nilsson, University of Gothenburg, Sweden