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# Conservation of Montenegrin coastal and marine areas

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# Relevant strategic and action documents - MONTENEGRO

- National Strategy for Sustainable Development until 2030 (2016)
- National Biodiversity Strategy with Action Plan 2016-2020
- NS ICZM (2015)
- NEAS with AP 2016-2020
  
- Also:  
Negotiation Position for the Chapter 27

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# Legal framework

- Law on Nature Protection (2016)
- CBD Convention and Aichi Goals
- Barcelona Convention and its Protocols
  - SPA/BD and ICZM Protocol
  - IMAP/EcAp
- Bern Convention
- MSFD (2008/56/EC; (EU) 2017/848)
- Habitat and Bird Directives (92/43/EEC; 2009/147/EC)

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# CBD Convention and Barcelona Convention implementation

## Importance of regional and subregional instruments

- Monitoring Programme of coastal ecosystem based on MEDPOL IV (2008-2011) and Monitoring Programme of the coastal ecosystem in 2014, 2015 and 2016; 2017-2018
- Coastal Area Management Programme, CAMP Montenegro (2011-2014); NS ICZM (2015)
- EcAp/MSP in Boka Bay (initiated and implemented to test how IMAP may support MSP)
- GEF Adriatic Project
- MedProgramme
- National Biodiversity Strategy
- Preparatory work on the VI National Report on CBD implementation



# National Monitoring Program of marine ecosystem

- Comprehensive monitoring programmes of marine ecosystem for 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 included different complementary programmes
- Due to limited financial resources, monitoring program was realized with significant limitations in 2012, 2013, 2014. The main problems that were encountered:
  - Data trends discontinuity
  - Reduced number of monitoring stations/locations
  - Reduced number of sub-programs
- Monitoring Programme of the coastal ecosystem was rebuilt in 2014, 2015 and 2016, based on MEDPOL IV, but with certain modifications as to reflect some of the requirements of MSFD/IMAP; Further upgrade to ensure full alignment with IMAP is expected in the course of GEF Adriatic Project, whereas alignment with MSFD requirements is planned in 2018-2020 with support from IPA

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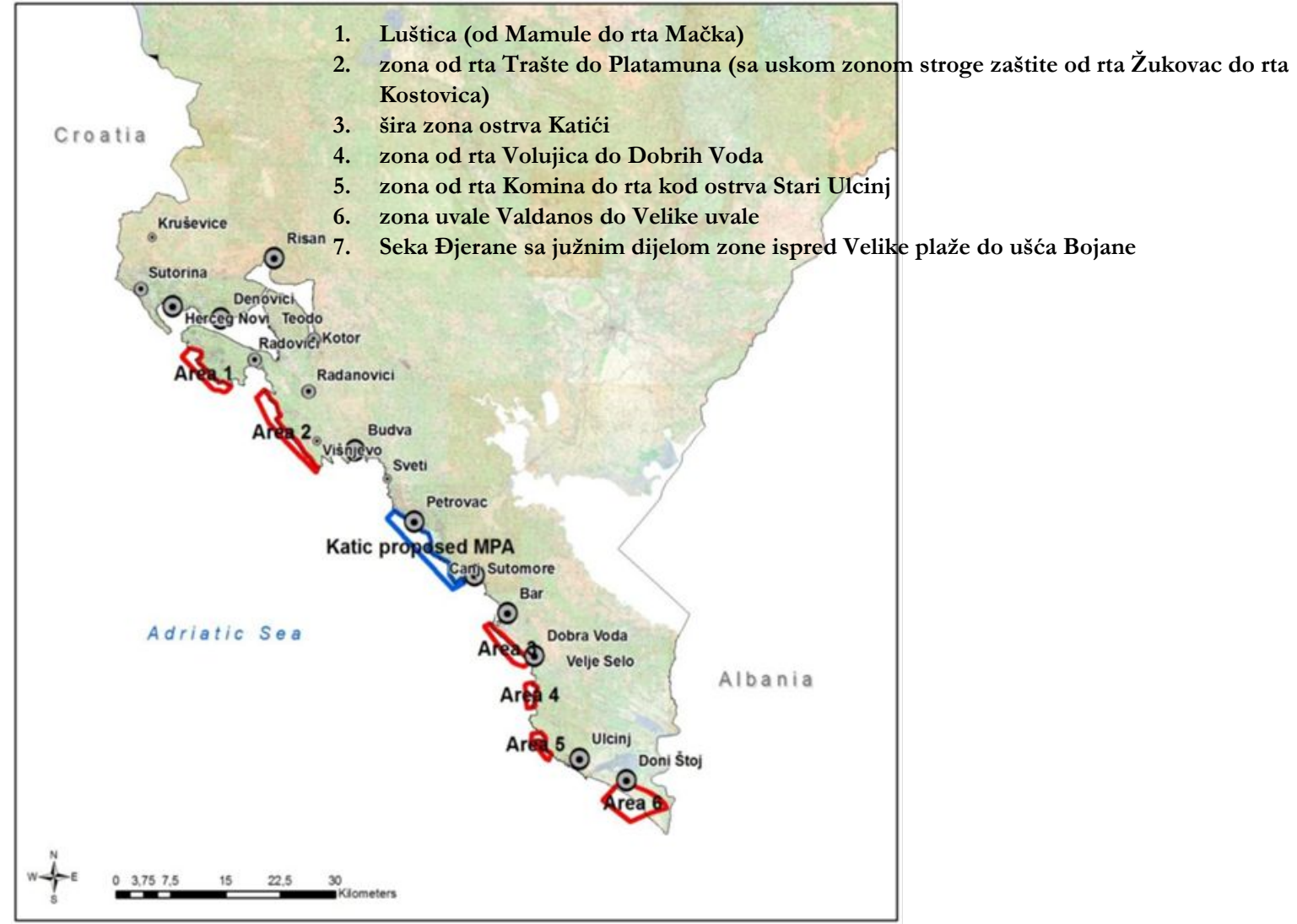
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# CAMP Montenegro (2011-2014)

7 potential locations for protection proposed

3 (part of this project) are in the Special Purpose Spatial Plan for the Coastal Area of MNE (2018)



Slika 2-16: Identifikovane zone potencijalnih morskih zaštićenih prirodnih dobara

# MSFD, Habitat and Bird Directives transposition and implementation

## ➤ **Transposition**

- Law on Nature Protection (2016)
- Legal Act for MSFD in 2019

## ➤ **Implementation will be supported by** regional and subregional instruments and projects:

- included in the IPA AD 2016 on water: “*Support to Implementation and Monitoring of Water Management, Montenegro*” (expected start: 2019). Also: GEF Adriatic project
- Natura 2000 (2016-2019)
- IPA project: II phase of Natura 2000 (IPA 2016; expected start: 2019/2020)

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# Relevant projects and activities

- GEF/UNDP: “Strengthening the sustainability of the protected area system of Montenegro”, 2009-2015, included development of Visibility study for proclamation of Platamuni area as an MPA
- The project “Management Plan “Katič” Pilot Marine Protected Area Montenegro”, implemented by DFS Engineering Montenegro in 2009-2010 until 2012, funded by the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea in the framework of the cooperation Italy-Montenegro for the implementation of the National Strategy for Sustainable Development of Montenegro with AP 2008-2012
- “Start Up of Katič Marine Protected Area in Montenegro and Assessment of Marine and Coastal Ecosystems along the Coast” (MPA2 project), implemented by DFS Montenegro and funded by the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, 2012-2014
- EC/AECID/FFEM/RAC SPA: The Regional Project for the Development of Mediterranean Marine and Coastal Protected Areas (MPAs) Network through the boosting of MPA Creation and Management “MedMPAnet Project”. The project was executed by the Regional Activity Centre Specially Protected Areas (RAC/SPA – UNEP/MAP) as part of the Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean Sea Large Marine Ecosystem “MedPartnership”, in cooperation with Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism of Montenegro, 2010-2015
- MAVA Foundation: Mapping of marine key habitats of the Mediterranean and initiation of monitoring network MEDKEYHABITATS, executed by RAC/SPA – UNEP/MAP in cooperation with Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism, 2015-2016

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# Other relevant projects and initiatives

Further activities in Montenegro - ongoing activities

- GEF Adriatic project (2017-2019)
  - IPA AD 2016
  - IPA Natura 2000 II phase
  - EUSAIR (TSG3: Environmental Quality)
    - Preparation and development of project concepts related to biodiversity conservation
- Possible regional project in the framework of GEF-7

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# Ongoing activities

- GEF/UNEP project „Promoting Protected Areas Management through Integrated Marine and Coastal Ecosystems Protection in Coastal Area of Montenegro“

## Role of the C/MPAs Project in the national priorities

- On the basis of the previously implemented projects, additional data collection and building up of the existing GIS database will be provided
- Through the collection of additional data, contribution to the identification of the proposed Sites of Community Importance and establishment of the Natura 2000 network
- Contribution to the implementation of the relevant national strategic documents – relevant international commitments and obligations
- Providing all relevant preconditions for the proclamation of three Marine Protected Areas

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