

“Towards coordinated monitoring in the European Regional Seas”

FINAL conference of the pilot projects (IRIS-SES, BALSAM & JMP NS/CS) on 24 April 2015

DG Environment, Avenue de Beaulieu 5, Brussels

(Building BU-5, meeting room BU5 salle C)

FINAL AGENDA

9.00	COFFEE AND WELCOME	Joachim D' Eugenio , European Commission – DG Environment
9.15	Implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive and monitoring needs	David Connor , European Commission – DG Environment
9.30	Marine environmental monitoring in the four sea regions and responding to European and regional needs	Regional Sea Conventions - Ulla Li Zweifel, HELCOM - Jo Foden, OSPAR - Tatiana Hema, UNEP - Irina Makarenko, BSC
10.00	Introduction to the three pilot projects	Pilot project coordinators - JMP NS/CS: Lisette Enserink - BALSAM: Johanna Karhu - IRIS-SES: Kalliopi Pagou
10.10	Presentations of (meta)databases on current marine monitoring and experiences from regional data management	Expert presentations - JMP NS/CS: Marie Vanden Berghe - BALSAM: Joni Kaitaranta - BALSAM: Mark Dickey-Collas - IRIS-SES: Luminita Lazar
11.00	COFFEE BREAK	



11.15	Tools for joint marine monitoring planning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JMP NS/CS: tools for geographic sampling design, joint assessment areas, multi-use of sampling platforms. • BALSAM: online platform of actual positions and metadata of survey vessels. • IRIS-SES: GIS tools for Descriptors 5, 8, 9. 	Expert presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JMP NS/CS: Anne Sell - BALSAM: Urmas Lips - IRIS-SES: Aris Karageorgis
12.00	LUNCH BREAK	
13.15	Proposals for joint/coordinated monitoring: outcomes of case studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of benthic and demersal communities • Monitoring of pelagic communities • Monitoring Eutrophication and Contaminants 	Expert presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JMP: Lisette Enserink - JMP: Gert van Hoey - BALSAM: Georg Martin - BALSAM: Ainars Aunins - IRIS-SES: Francisco Alemany, Kalliopi Pagou
14.30	COFFEE	
14.45	How to achieve joint monitoring? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of institutional barriers and challenges (JMP & IRIS-SES) • Logistic constrains – cost effectiveness (IRIS-SES). Harmonization of resources availability. The MEDITS case study • Experience with operational collaboration in the Baltic (BALSAM/HELCOM) • Lessons learnt and future steps at RSCs level or smaller multilateral collaboration 	Expert statements and panel discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JMP NS/CS: Ingeborg de Boois - BALSAM: Mikael Krysell, Mark Dickey-Collas - IRIS-SES: Francisco Alemany - RSCs: Ulla Li Zweifel, Jo Foden, Tatiana Hema, Irina Makarenko - DG Env: David Connor
16.00	END OF CONFERENCE	

