









# Mediterranean Forum For Applied Ecosystem-Based Management



Establishing a stakeholder cooperation and coordination platform for implementing Ecosystem-Based Integrated Coastal Zone Management (EB-ICZM)





















#### Reference methods and tools

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## **Ecosystem-Based Integrated Coastal Zone Management (EB-ICZM):**

Introduction, issues and challenges.



















Streamside

pollutants.

vegetation reduces

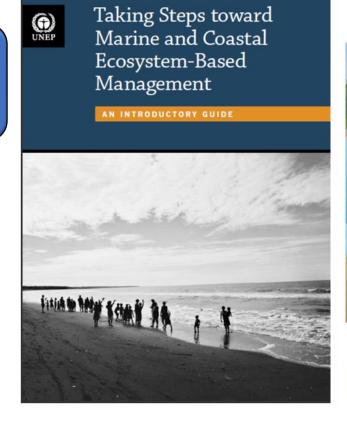
erosion and traps

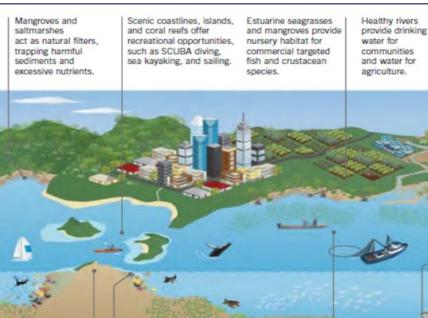


Ecosystem-Based Integrated Coastal Zone Management (EB-ICZM)

An approach that goes beyond examining single issues, species, or ecosystem functions in isolation.

Instead it recognizes ecological systems for what they are: a rich mix of elements that interact with each other in important ways.





Offshore reefs create sand and protect the biod shoreline from severe sou storms.

Healthy coral reefs are hotspots of marine biodiversity and can be a source for new medicines and health care products.

Sustainable fisheries provide food, create jobs, and support local economies. Offshore energy provides power to support coastal development. Marine ecosystems including seagrasses, mangroves, and saltmarshes act as carbon sinks, reducing greenhouse gases.





















Translating approaches and technical guidelines into action tailor-made to the relevant context of intervention.

**EB-ICZM: Challenges** 

- **⊗** Integration across 2-3 sectors can be easily handled, but wide cross-sector integration is highly demanding and, sometime, may also lead to some confusion for the planning team.
- A wide-range of stakeholder must be actively involved, who often see the same reality from a dramatically different point of view.
- Requires extensive data collection and the handling of large datasets, characteristics.





















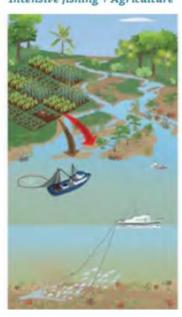
#### **Integration across 2-3 sectors: can be easily handled.**

**EB-ICZM: Cross sector** integration





Intensive fishing + Agriculture



Intensive fishing + Agriculture + Coastal development



fishing, agriculture, coastal development.

Shipping corridor passes through

habitat for

important feeding

endangered whales,

causing collisions.



is closed to shipping traffic and fishing, and

Accomodating uses and reducing conflict

Key whale feeding habitat whale mortality decreases. Ocean floor recovers from fishing activity, biodiversity increases, and ecosystem processes are restored.

Shipping corridor is re-routed and new zones are created to support sustainable fishing in less sensitive

ships & whales.

Bottom fishing in the

whale habitat leads to

ocean floor disturbance

and a decline in food















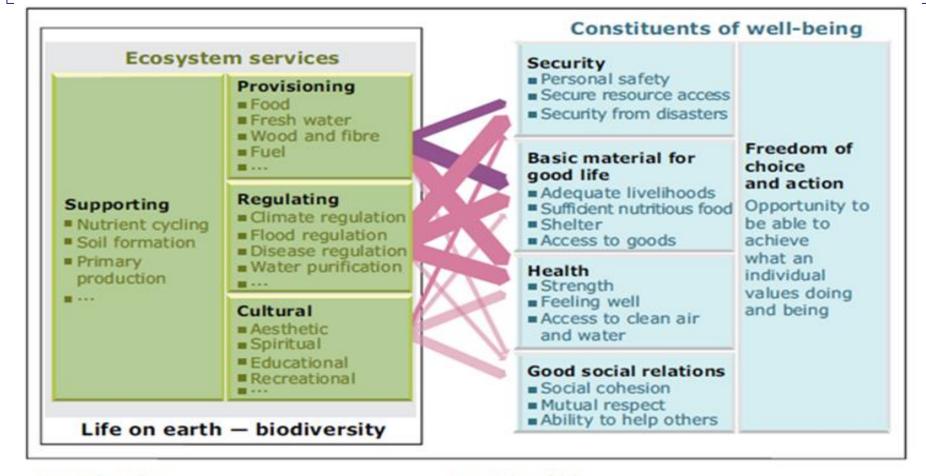






**EB-ICZM: Cross sector** integration

Wide cross-sector integration: each EB-ICZM application is highly demanding for the planning team and, sometime, may also lead to some confusion among them.



#### Arrow's color

Potential for mediation by socioeconomic factors





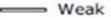
Medium



High

#### Arrow's width

Intensity of linkages between ecosystem services and human well-being



Medium [

Strong















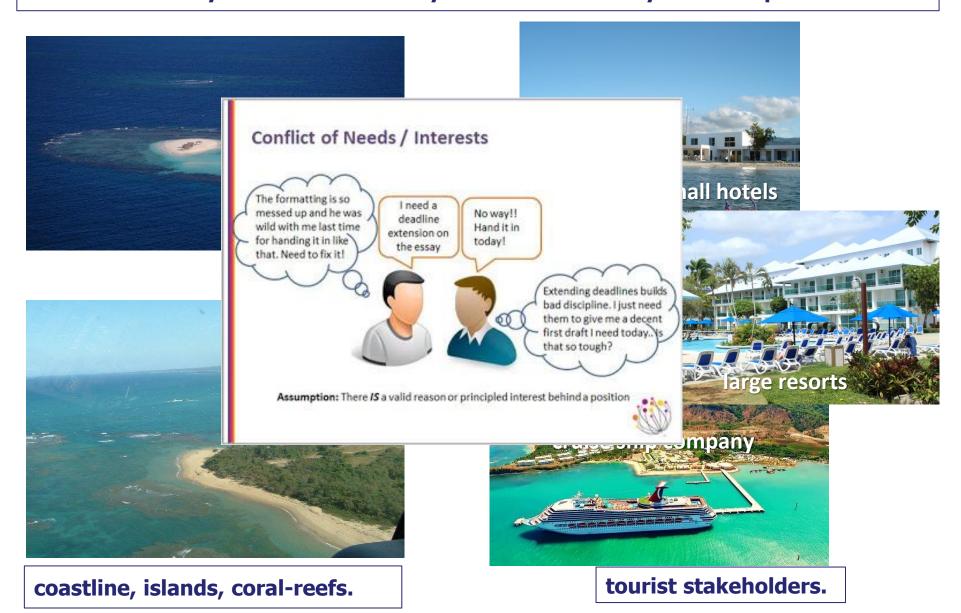






EB-ICZM:
Stakeholders' different viewpoints

#### Stakeholders may see the same reality from a dramatically different point of view.























EB-ICZM: Harmonizing stakeholders' different viewpoints

Harmonizing stakeholders' different viewpoints in multi-sector integrated management planning processes may often bring conflicts.























#### EB-ICZM require extensive data collection and the management of large datasets spanning diverse spatial and temporal scales.

**EB-ICZM:** data management

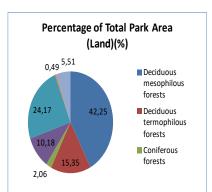


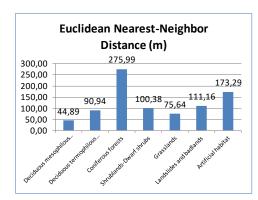


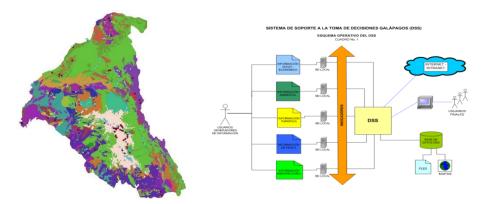




data collection.







data handling and analysis.





















### **MED4EBM:**

Methods and tools for EB-ICZM.

















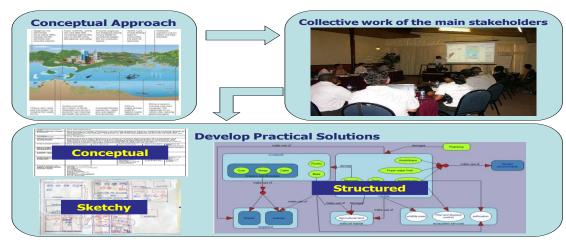


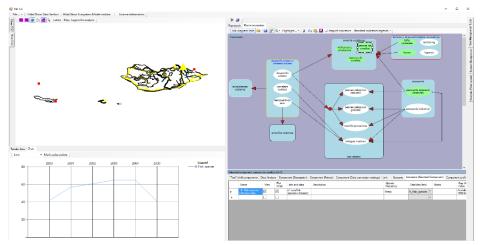


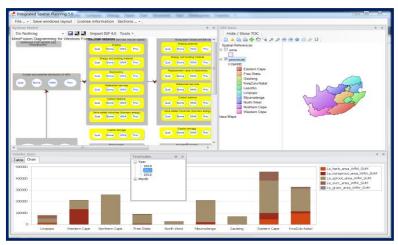
EB-ICZM methods and tools: MED4EBM proposes the PROGES-ISP package

#### **Two categories of instruments:**

an operational protocol for the execution of multidisciplinary ecosystem-based environmental assessments.







@ a software package, linked to spatial and tabular databases, to support the analysis of relevant ecological data and the preparation of synoptic reports.





















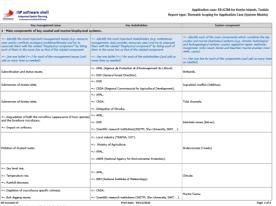
MED4EBM EB-ICZM methods and tools: Ecosystem Context Analysis

*Ecosystem Context Analysis*: a sequential three stage analytical process for multi-stakeholder ecosystem-based analyses.

Effective dialogue between stakeholders for a common understanding of the given EBM context

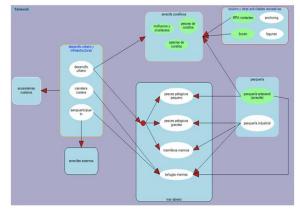




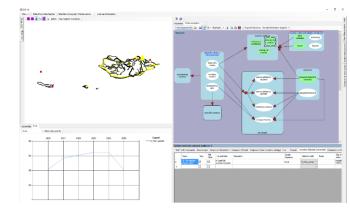








qualitative-structural: system diagram



quantitative-structural: systemdiagram & indicators















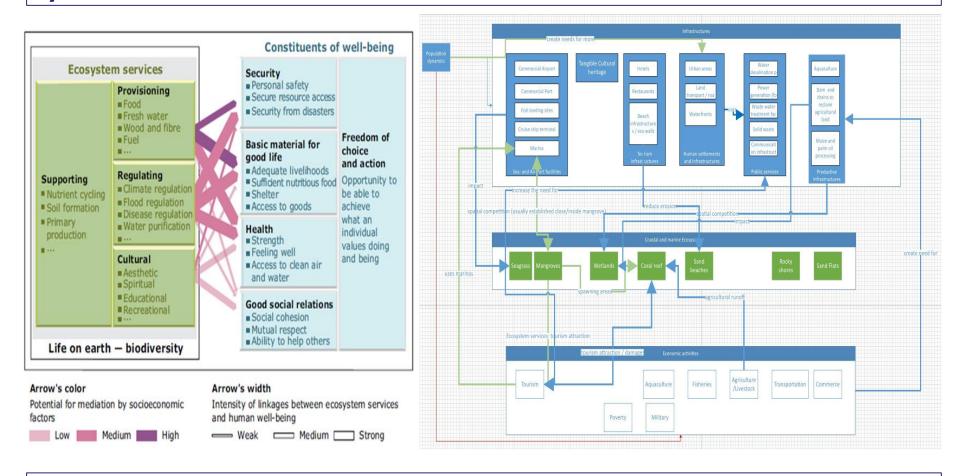






MED4EBM EB-ICZM methods and tools: EB-ICZM model

# **EB-ICZM** Model recognizes connections within and across ecological and human systems.



complex EB-ICZM dynamics are decomposed in a structured set of elemental items and interactions between them.















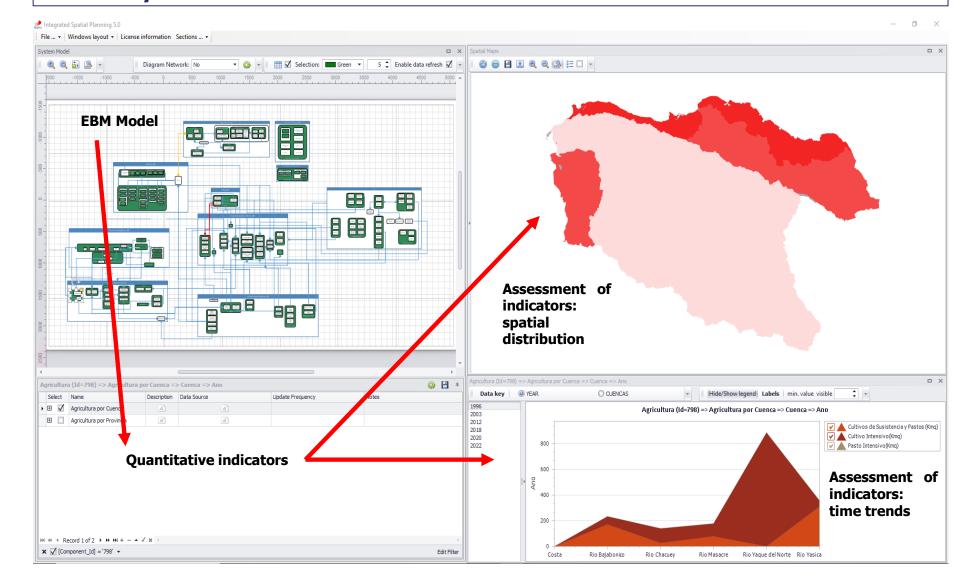






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# Data interaction at multiple time and spatial scales to allow efficient and effective EBM analyses.















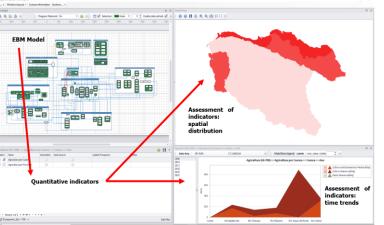








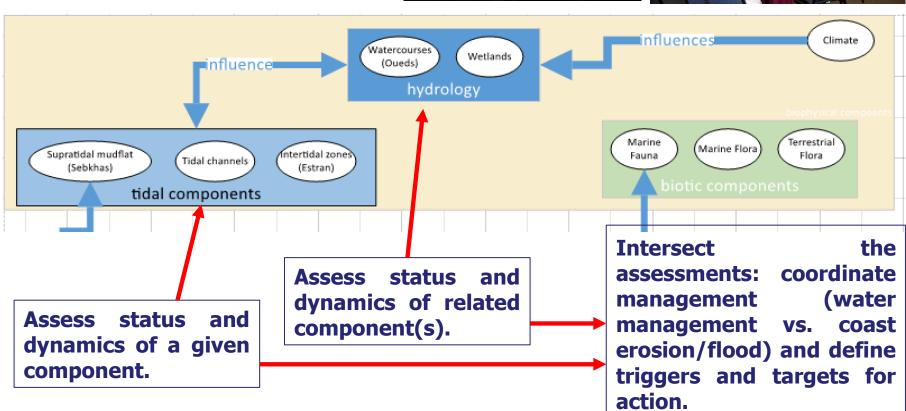
MED4EBM EB-ICZM methods and tools:
System Cause-Effect
Analysis



System Cause-Effect Analysis: participatory indicator-based analysis of the stakeholders' EBM model.

















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