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FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LARGE SCALE INSHORE RESOURCE MAPPING PROJECT IN IRELAND¹

STAKEHOLDER QUESTIONNAIRE

To achieve the objectives of this study, and to formulate and recommend an inshore mapping strategy we hope to determine the following for each stakeholder:

- 1. Current data collection activities
2. Summary of relevant datasets
3. Current and future mapping requirements

In order to collate the relevant information in relation to the above we hope you will be able to complete this questionnaire following consultation with ourselves.

General Information

Organisation Name

Division/Section

Contact Name & Details (Person filling this out)
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Email:

Function/Role of Organisation (Brief note on function/role of consultee, e.g. statutory role, research organisation, commercial interests etc)
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Is the organisation a:

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows: Data Collector?, Data User?, Data Commissioner?

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1. DATA COLLECTION

Describe your current data collection activities (including regular ongoing activities and once-off events):

Describe briefly the type of data collected (physical, biological, chemical):

For what purpose is the data collected (statutory requirements, monitoring, research, once-off projects)?

Does the collection activity fulfill a statutory requirement (*i.e.* compliance with European/National legislation)?

Define the scale of the data collection (local, regional, national, European, international):

Give a brief description of the location of the data collection activities (e.g. specific bays, west coast etc.)

How is the data stored (electronic, paper, maps etc.)?

Is the data collection carried out in-house or is it contracted externally?

How is the data collection funded (government, clients, research funding)?

2. SUMMARY OF RELEVANT DATASETS

In order to obtain a full picture of existing datasets for the coastal zone (0-50m depth) we wish to gather information on all relevant datasets commissioned/held by stakeholders.

Please list below datasets which you feel may be of relevance.

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)
- 5)
- 6)
- 7)
- 8)

please continue on separate sheet if necessary.

Once we have identified relevant datasets these will be catalogued using the EDMED² (EUROPEAN DIRECTORY OF MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL DATA) forms.

² EDMED is a computer-searchable directory of data sets relating to the marine environment. It covers a wide range of disciplines including marine meteorology; physical, chemical and biological oceanography; sedimentology; marine biology and fisheries; environmental quality monitoring; coastal and estuarine studies; marine geology and geophysics etc. Data sets are catalogued in EDMED irrespective of their format (e.g. digital databases or files, analogue records, paper charts, hard-copy tabulations, geological samples, biological specimens etc). Although the directory is targeted primarily at data sets that can be made accessible to other users, encouragement is also given to holders of working data sets, or data of a confidential or restricted availability, to make their data known through EDMED.

For further information on EDMED see <http://www.sea-search.net/edmed/welcome.html>

3. MAPPING REQUIREMENTS

Please outline the current and future mapping requirements of your organisation within the context of this feasibility study³.

³ Mapping requirements may consist of e.g. Bathymetry, Seabed Imaging, Sub-Bottom Acoustic Imaging, Magnetic Mapping, Current Mapping and Accoustic Ground Discrimination Systems. See the attached document on inshore resource mapping.