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TECHNICAL NOTE FROM THE CPMR GENERAL SECRETARIAT

FOLLOW-UP OF MACRO-REGIONAL APPROACHES WITHIN THE CPMR GEOGRAPHICAL COMMISSIONS

INTRODUCTION - OBJECTIVES

- Following the Managing Committee of 11th January 2010, it is proposed to set up an informal « core group » aimed at following up the development of macro-regional approaches within the different CPMR Geographical Commissions (GCs).
- Such a follow up is aimed at :
 - o Easing the exchange of information between the General Secretariat and the GCs, as well as among the GCs ;
 - o Providing with at concrete *feedback* which can feed CPMR works on the role of macro-regional approaches within EU policies - and in particular Regional Policy and Integrated Maritime Policy - as well as on its implications in terms of Multi-level governance ;
 - o Preparing written inputs which could serve on the occasion of different events on this issue in the course of 2010, namely the Troma Political Bureau in June 2010 (cf. agenda)

STEERING AND ORGANISATION

- A "Core group" steered by Julie Gourden (Regional Policy / Cooperation) and comprising the Executive Secretaries + Patrick Anvrouin (Maritime issues) , Marie-Ange Orihuela (neighbourhood issues and governance) and Eleni Marianou (SG)
- On the basis of the scheme below, the CPMR General Secretariat will collect information from the GCs with means adapted to their situation. For instance:
 - o Baltic Sea Commission : questionnaire on the governance of the Baltic Sea Strategy in its implementation phase.
 - o Balkan and Black Sea RC : follow up of the Danube Strategy preparation process.
 - o Atlantic Arc/Intermed/North Sea Commissions : exchange of information on the ongoing preparation of their strategies and upcoming milestones
- No specific meeting : a mailing list has been set up, and *ad hoc* working meeting will be held on the occasion of Managing Committees of Political Bureau meetings.

PROPOSAL FOR ACTION

	CURRENT DEVELOPMENT STAGE			
	Informal preparation	Formal Preparation & consultation	Implementation	Evaluation / Assessment
AAC				
BBSRC		Danube Strategy		
BSC			Baltic Sea Strategy	
IMC				
NSC				

For each CG, information should be collected on:

- The global approach of the strategy : holistic, thematic, other
- The priorities (validated or envisaged) and its objectives
- The role of the different EU policies and their coordination within the strategy, in particular with the Integrated Maritime Policy
- The governance of the strategy, indicating the role and responsibilities of the EC, the States and the Regions
- The envisaged or validated budget: amount? Own budget or coordination of existing budgets ?
- The role played by the GC in the preparation / implementation of the macro-regional approach.

AGENDA OF MACROREGIONS-RELATED EVENTS (TO BE COMPLETED)

Date	Event	GCs concerned
25 march	North Sea Strategy meeting (London)	NSC
13 april	Conference Committee of the Regions on Macroregional strategies (Brussels)	NSC / BSC / BBSRC
25 may	CPMR Seminar on Cooperation and Neighbourhood (Valencia)	All
21 may	Maritime Day -comparative session on sea-basin strategies (Gijon)	All
May/june	GCs General Assemblies	All
11 june	CPMR Political Bureau, Troms	All
Sept	CRPM Seminar on « EU Policies, Regions and Innovation in the Baltic Area »	BSC