**SEMINAR THEMES & OBJECTIVES**

**Theme 1:**
Conservation objectives: definition, assessment and use for adaptive management

*Presentation of case studies and discussion of issues and potential solutions around 4 aspects of planning marine Natura 2000:*
- How to set smart conservation objectives,
- How to apply these to individual sites (e.g. degraded or pristine sites),
- How to monitor/measure progress in achieving the conservation objectives and how to use them for adaptive management,
- How to set and handle conservation objectives for highly mobile species.

**Theme 2:**
Reconciling N2000 objectives and marine activities—Conservation management planning

*Focus on two types of activities: fisheries & other sectors. Presentation of case studies and discussion of issues and potential solutions focusing on 3 aspects of the implementation of Natura 2000:*
- Identifying threats and pressures at individual site level (risk assessment),
- Identifying practical conservation measures to tackle threats (including cumulative impacts) and progress towards reaching conservation objectives,
- Stakeholder dialogue and engagement.

**Theme 3:**
Regional integration of Natura 2000 issues

*Presentation of case studies and discussion of issues and potential solutions around 3 aspects of cooperation and the use of regional networks to support marine Natura 2000:*
- Cross border collaboration in delivering the Natura 2000 network,
- Synergies between regional networks and scope for cooperation,
- Accessing financing mechanisms (EMFF, LIFE, INTER-REG, etc.) and collaborating on financing programmes to support marine Natura 2000.

**WORKING GROUPS**

The 9 Working Groups will allow participants to discuss theme’s key questions. Each theme will break out into 3 working groups.

**FIELD TRIPS**

Field trips will provide participants with “real life” experience of management experiences and enable them to network and discuss the workshop themes from their countries “in the field”.
- **Visit #1** Coastal cruise from Saint-Malo to Chausey across Natura 2000 sites.
- **Visit #2** Walking tour in Baie du Mont-Saint-Michel on the beach at low tide.
**Tuesday 5th May**

8:00-09:00 Registration and welcome coffee  
// Rotonde Surcouf

9:00 - 10:30 Welcome and introduction  
// Amphithéâtre Maupertuis

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break // Rotonde Surcouf

11:00 - 12:05  
**Theme 1: Conservation objectives:** definition, assessment and use for adaptive management  
// Amphithéâtre Maupertuis

- Feedback from LIFE platform meeting on conservation objectives

**Case studies:**
- A national approach. Ireland’s Conservation Objective Setting Programme and management issues,
- Improving Posidonia meadows management in Andalucia based on knowledge and participation: the utility of socio-economic studies of habitat environmental services,
- Setting and assessing conservation objectives for highly mobile species.

12:05 - 14:00  
**Theme 1: Working Groups**

- National approaches to setting conservation objectives // WG “A” // Lamennais 4&5
- Conservation objectives for habitats // WG “B” // Lamennais 1&2
- Conservation objectives for highly mobile species // WG “C” // Lamennais 3

14:00 - 15:00  
Buffet Lunch // Rotonde Surcouf

15:00 - 19:00  
Field trips

20:00 - 22:00  
Dinner // Palais du Grand Large

**Wednesday 6th May**

9:00 - 10:00  
**Theme 2: Reconciling N2000 objectives and marine activities - Conservation management planning**  
// Amphithéâtre Maupertuis

- Feedback from LIFE platform meeting on reconciling N2000 objectives and marine activities Protecting Natura 2000 reefs.

**Case studies:**
- Implementing fisheries regulations through the CFP – a case study from Denmark,
- Management of fishing in English marine Natura 2000 sites,
- Towards better practice in mitigation policy implementation for coastal and marine development projects in European and French contexts

10:00 - 10:30 Coffee break // Rotonde Surcouf

10:30 - 12:30  
**Theme 2 Working Groups**

- Fisheries – identifying threats & pressures // WG “D” // Lamennais 4&5
- Fisheries – introducing measures // WG “E” // Lamennais 1&2
- Other marine sectors // WG “F” // Lamennais 3

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch // Rotonde Surcouf

14:00 - 15:00  
**Theme 3: Regional integration of Natura 2000 issues**  
// Amphithéâtre Maupertuis

- Feedback from LIFE platform meeting on regional integration of N2000 issues.

**Case studies:**
- Bi-lateral cooperation (Sweden-Finland) for improved management of MPAs in the northern Baltic Sea.
- Towards coherent management plan for MPAs in the Channel between UK and France. A work undertaken under the INTERREG PANACHE project.
- The Mediterranean MPA network: how it contributes to the implementation of marine Natura 2000 objectives.

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break // Rotonde Surcouf

15:30 - 17:30  
**Theme 3 Working groups**

- Cross border collaboration // WG “G” // Lamennais 1&2
- Regional networks // WG “H” // Lamennais 3
- EU Financing // WG “I” // Lamennais 4&5

19:00 - 22:00  
Knowledge Market and Cocktail // Rotonde Surcouf  
Interactive session for workshop participants to showcase their work, their materials and best practice examples

**Thursday 7th May**

9:00 - 10:30  
Summary from each working group session  
// Amphithéâtre Maupertuis

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break // Rotonde Surcouf

11:00 - 11:40  
Summary from each working group session  
// Amphithéâtre Maupertuis

11:40 - 13:00  
General discussion Plenary session  
// Amphithéâtre Maupertuis

13:00 Delegates departure