

MSP High Level Workplan 2024

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An asterisk (*) indicates projects the SMSP core team does not lead but are necessary for MSP outputs.

Jan - Mar 2024

- Gantt chart and timeline for completion of SMSP (MACCE, SMSP)
- Draft steps and responsibilities for legally enforceable Marine Spatial Plan (with MACCE)
- Drafting of Marine Spatial Plan chapters
- SMSP Atlas finalise text and maps
- Marine Protection Financing and Costing analysis 2.0 ToR posted, and consultant selected
- Roll out of NRC Act (14 March 2024)*
- Management Plan template finalized and endorsed by MACCE (14 March 2024)*
- Drafting of regulations for MPAs commenced*
- Final Management Plans for Zone 2 (SWIOFish3), finalised and endorsed by MACCE*
- WABPA (WP Bill) submitted for NA for approval*
- Fisheries and Aquaculture Bill for NA approval (13 March 2024)*

Apr - Jun 2024

- EC approval of Final Allowable Activities Tables and Codes (definitions still pending)
- EC approval of SMSP Management Units
- EC approval of Final Master List of Definitions and Management Considerations
- Share approved FINAL Allowable Activities Table documents with stakeholders
- Stakeholder consultations to present draft Marine Spatial Plan Chapters 1-5 and Annexes (Jun)
- MSP Atlas print ready version finalised
- Capacity gap analysis for implementation ToR drafted, advertised and consultant recruited
- Definition of Management Unit boundaries/delegated authorities/co-managers finalised
- Operationalisation of the SMSP implementation governance framework under EPA finalized*
- SOA regulation gazetted*
- Briefings with Islands Select committee of NA*
- Final Management Plans for 5 pilot sites (Oceans5), finalised by MACCE*
- MPA Management Framework updated to include finalized Management Units & finalized*
- Regulations for MPAs drafting, public review/consultations*

Jul - Sep 2024

- Seychelles MSP Atlas printed and distributed; digital version online
- Submit Marine Spatial Plan to MACCE for approval for public review
- Public review of Marine Spatial Plan (as per legal requirement for nomination file)
- Climate change risk mapping report submitted for peer-review publication
- Marine Protection Financing and Costing Analysis 2.0 final deliverables and endorsed
- Capacity Gap analysis finalized and submitted
- Trainings based on capacity gap analysis commenced
- Regulations for MPAs assented*
- Final Management Plans for 5 pilot sites (Oceans5), endorsed by MACCE*
- Co-management regulations gazetted, and co-management agreements finalized*

Oct - Dec 2024

- WABPA (WP Bill) submitted to NA for approval new bill gazetted*
- Marine Spatial Plan is endorsed and signed into law*
- SMSP Final ceremony and implementation begins on official date.
- Training based on capacity gap analysis