

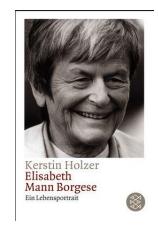
Wearing 2 hats – representing the International Ocean Institute (IOI) and the University of Malta (UoM)

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The International Ocean Institute and SDG 14



- IOI (International Ocean Institute):
- International NGO with special consultative status at the United Nations
- Arvid Pardo (1969) at the UN driving force behind UNCLOS
- Founded in 1972, Elisabeth Mann Borgese
- Mission statement:
- (1) To ensure the sustainability of the Ocean as a source of life and to uphold and expand the principle of the common heritage as enshrined in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea;
- (2) To promote the concept of Pacem in Maribus and its management and conservation for the benefit of future generations.
- International reach: regional centres in all the continents



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"Healthy Oceans - Healthy Coast"

International Leadership Conference towards achieving SDG 14

"Current challenges and opportunities in ocean
and coastal sustainable development"

~ Celebrating 45 years of IOI and its work in Sustainable Ocean Governance ~

25-26 April, 2017 - Hong Kong



International Ocean Institute

Hong Kong Polytechnic

University



United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Shenzhen World Health Foundation



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The International Ocean Institute Training Programme on Regional Ocean Governance for the Mediterranean, Black, Baltic and Caspian Seas



Training Courses on Ocean Governance in:

- Malta
- Canada
- South Africa
- China
- Thailand
- Turkmenistan
- Brazil/Costa Rica







Promozione Aree Naturali Attraverso Centri di Educazione Ambientale

Overview of the PANACEA



project

- Funded under the Italia-Malta 2007-2013 Operational Programme I
- 25th April 2011 30th September 2013
- Total budget: 2.2 million euro



Progetto cofinanziato dall'Unione Europea - Fondo Europeo di Sviluppo Regionale





















dwejra

Over 50,000 youtube views for the 3 documentaries

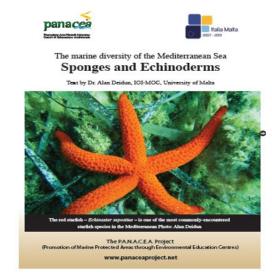


Deliverables



Dwejra - Stunning galaxy of marine wildlife - PANACEA





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DEVELOPMENT OF A NOVEL TOOL TO PREDICT DIFFERENT WATER QUALITY SCENARIOS WITHIN A MARINE PROTECTED AREA (MPA) IN THE MALTESE ISLANDS: THE 2D SHYFEM-BFM MODEL

Andrea Cucco, Georg Umgiesser, Alan Deidun, Raisa Tarasova, Joel Azzopardi, Adam Gauci



40th CIESM Congress - Marseille, France, 28 October - 1 November 2013

The Research Question:

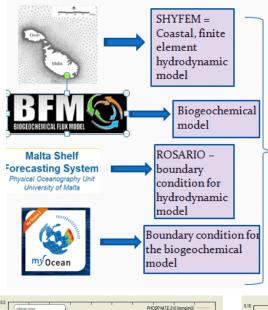
Can a coupled 2D model serve as an innovative tool for the management of Marine Protected Areas (MPA's)?

Introduction

The operational monitoring of the relevant water parameters is frequently thwarted by prohibitive demands on costs and manpower.



The Dwejra MPA
(Gozo, Maltese archipelago



- •Development of 2D coupled hydrodynamic and ecological model to act as a Decision Support System (DSS) in creating different water quality scenarios
- •Nutrient load of boathouses was estimated through 'equivalent population' system
- 3 scenarios (boathouse numbers) were investigated over June-Sept period

Results and Discussion

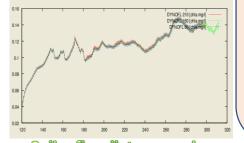
• The increase in phosphate levels translates in a corresponding increase (by 30%) in ammonium levels

However:

- dinoflagellate populations increase only marginally
- diatoms do not increase
- carnivorous and omnivorous zooplantkon do not increase

The lack of cascade effect of more nutrients on different trophic levels could be due to intense hydrodynamic flushing and advection) at Dwejra, which result in low residence times for nutrients

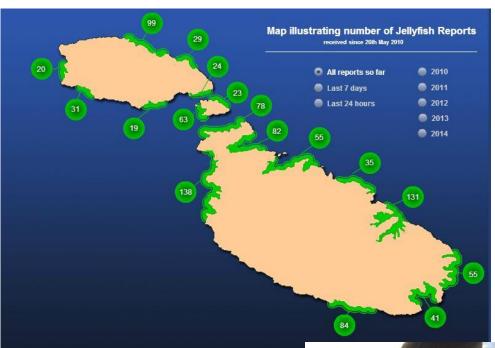
Such models and scenario building could prove to be a useful tool to MPA managers



3 phopsphate scenarios

Citizen science – Spot the Jellyfish







Citizen science: Spot the Jellyfish (www.ioikids.net/jellyfish)

Citizen science – Spot the Alien Fish



www.aliensmalta.eu





Amare: Actions for Marine Protected Areas

Kick off Meeting 15-16th December 2016

To maintain biodiversity and natural ecosystems
Simonetta Fraschetti - University of Salento
CoNISMa

Multiple stressors

- (1) What are the human threats to the MPA and what are their effects?
- (2) How are these threats distributed and which ones are of greatest concern?
- (3) What is the cumulative impact from multiple human threats occurring simultaneously in marine habitats?
- (4) How can marine ecosystems be best managed in light of human threats?
- (5) Are there some threats that can be best managed?





The partners

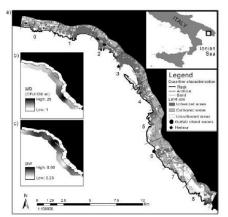


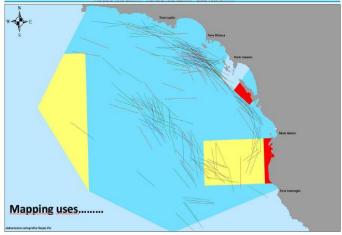


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Mapping threats at fine scale





Date for the diary



7th - 10th October

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