

Strictly protected marine areas in the context of the EU Biodiversity strategy

Online networking event
Tuesday, 16 April 2024, 10:30-15:30

Time	Activity
10:30	Introduction and welcome
Session 1: Approach and Background	
10:40	Criteria for strictly protected marine areas in the context of the EU Biodiversity strategy
	Summary of the strict protection pledges received from Member States
	Overview of discussions on strict protection at three biogeographical seminars: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atlantic and Macaronesian seminar in Dublin, Ireland • Baltic Sea seminar in Riga, Latvia • Mediterranean and Black Sea seminar in Marseille, France
Session 2: Case Studies from Member States	
11:15	Specific aspects to cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What existing national designation types fit the criteria for strict protection? • What approach and criteria were used to select new strictly protected areas?
12:10	Questions and discussion
12:30	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>
Session 3: Questions and Answers	
13:30	Commission's responses to questions submitted through the registration form
14:15	Other questions arising using the chat function
15:10	Conclusions and next steps



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