



Special features of the Toolbox

- ▶ The PERSUES AMP Toolbox provides a one-stop single location for policymakers to access all the resources and tools needed to develop and implement truly adaptive marine policies in the Mediterranean and Black Seas, in line with EU's Marine Strategy Framework Directive. These resources are conveniently available in one place, alleviating the need for further online research.
- ▶ The AMP Toolbox is unique in that it provides a complete set of legal, scientific and predictive resources focused on MFSO descriptors in the Mediterranean and Black Seas. It aids in the planning, communication and implementation of flexible marine policies that will be effective over the long term.
- ▶ The resources in the toolbox are simple to use and although based on scientific data, they are presented in a user-friendly format specifically geared towards policymakers.

About PERSEUS

PERSEUS is a policy-oriented, marine research project aimed at supporting regional policymakers for the Southern European Seas. The PERSEUS project gathers new knowledge on our ecosystems, analyses the data with new tools, and puts forward recommendations that assist policymakers to take decisions based on solid scientific evidence. The PERSEUS project is unique in that it facilitates the incorporation of scientific data into innovative tools to help policymakers meet the objectives of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD).

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Adaptive Marine Policy AMP Toolbox



A decision support tool for policymakers developing marine environment policies in the Mediterranean and Black Seas

Developed by the EU-funded PERSEUS Project

About the Toolbox

The Adaptive Marine Policy (AMP) Toolbox has been especially developed to assist marine environmental policymakers to achieve or maintain GES (Good Environmental Status) of coastal and marine ecosystems in the Mediterranean and Black Sea basins.

The toolbox consists of two major parts:

- the first part guides policymakers through a five-step process for developing adaptive marine environmental policies
- the second part provides resources such as thematic databases, models and examples that are particularly relevant to the Mediterranean and Black Seas.

The purpose of the toolbox is to make scientific findings and resources readily available in a user-friendly format and assist policymakers with formulating policies that will benefit the marine environment and all who depend on it.

Who is the toolbox targeted to?

This toolbox has been specifically designed for policymakers who are working on developing marine environment policies, including decision-makers at local, national, and regional authorities.

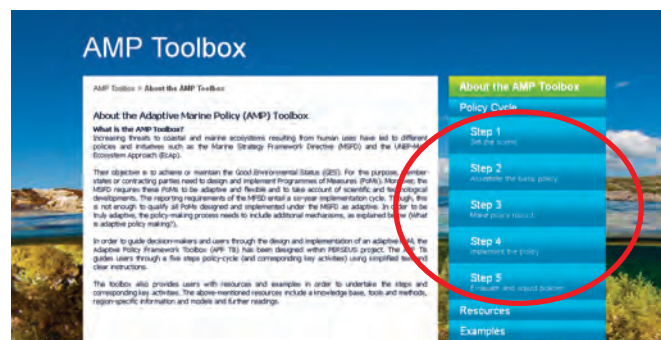
How is the toolbox useful?

The AMP Toolbox provides a wealth of information in one compact location to simplify the decision-making process, thus saving time and frustration.

Where can one find the toolbox?

The free online tool is located within the PERSEUS project website (www.perseus-net.eu) located under the section dedicated to POLICYMAKERS, titled AMP Toolbox.

Part 1: Five-step Adaptive Policy Framework



The first part of the toolbox consists of a 5-step policy cycle that conforms to the process suggested by the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD), to implement 'Programmes of Measures'.

Step 1: Set the scene – How to define the policy aims and objectives by identifying potential problems and issues.

Step 2: Assemble the basic policy – How to draft possible measures to achieve the policy objectives.

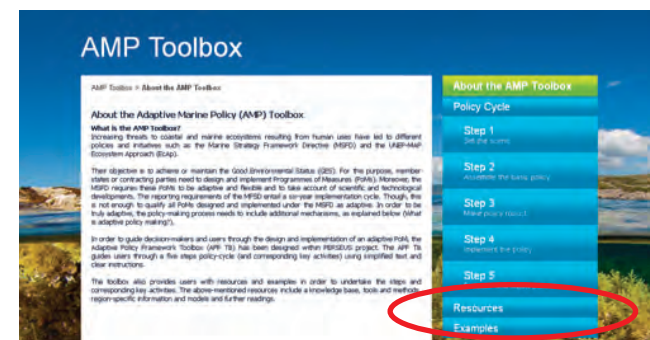
Step 3: Make policy robust – How to plan for emerging issues and assemble draft policy measures into a more robust policy.

Step 4: Implement the policy – How to put policy goals into action, this includes planning and monitoring of the policy implementation process and outcomes.

Step 5: Evaluate and adjust policies – How to review and adjust policies and measures to address any emerging issues.



Part 2: Resources & Examples



The tools and resources included in the AMP Toolbox have either been collected or prepared by the PERSEUS project to help users to draw up marine environmental policies dedicated to the Mediterranean and Black Seas. They include the following:

Knowledge Base

- **Policy Measures** – an inventory of policy measures that have been implemented by various countries. Measures include command-and-control instruments, economic instruments, social instruments and technical, technological or research-oriented measures.
- **Economic valuations** – a unique, first-ever review of major studies dedicated to the Mediterranean and Black Seas that provide economic valuations of the marine environmental services these seas provide.
- **Foresight exercises & Ecosystem Based Assessment** – an inventory of relevant studies.
- **Institutions & Legal instruments** – features the major legal instruments protecting the marine environment in the Mediterranean and Black Seas.
- **Research Projects** – profiles more than 100 EU environmental research projects focusing on the two seas.

Other Features

- **Tools and Methods** – an inventory of useful tools and methods used in the adaptive policymaking process.
- **Regional Assessments & Models** – regional assessments and models, developed by PERSEUS, dedicated to marine environmental issues in the Mediterranean and Black Seas.
- **Examples** – real cases of adaptive policymaking.