



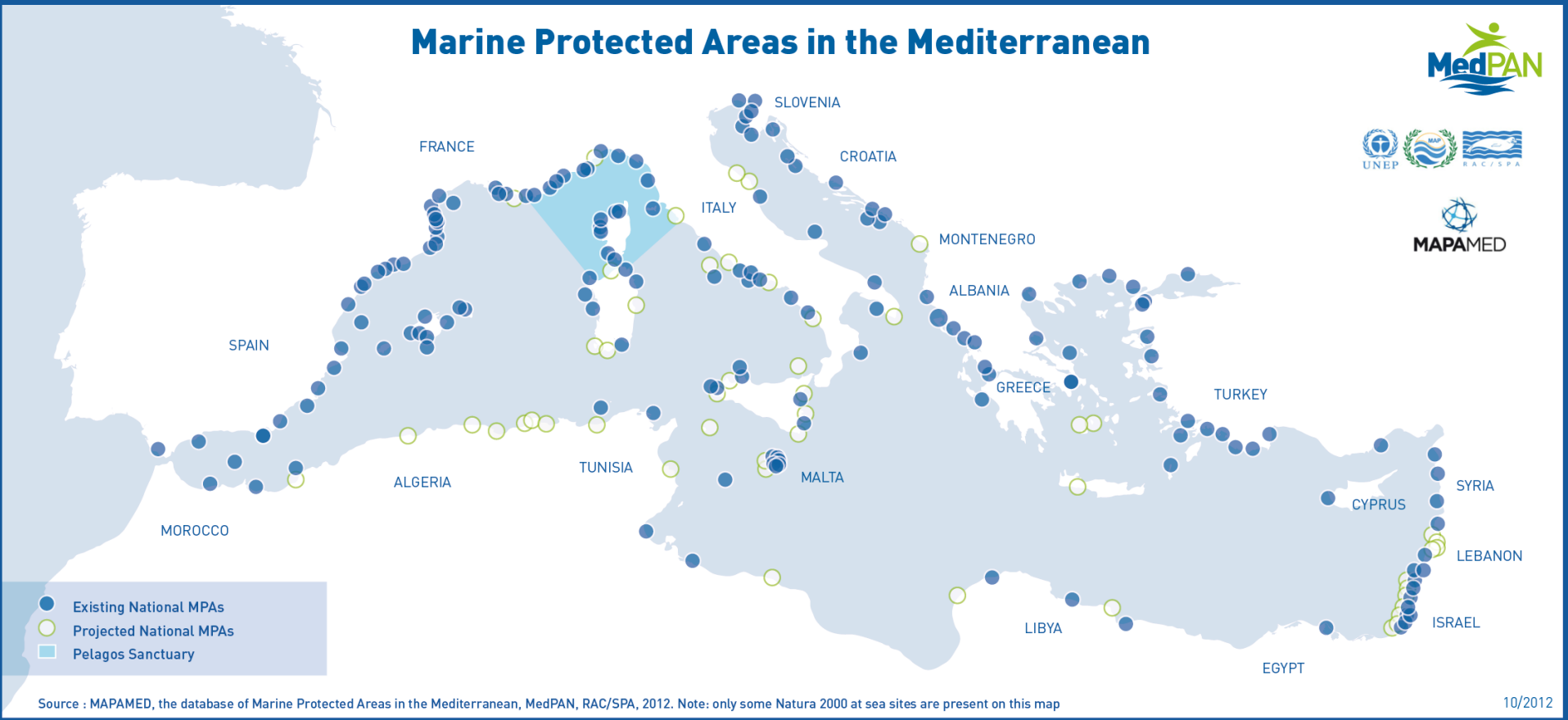
The Network of Managers of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean

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Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean



- About 21 countries
- Close to 200 MPAs (+ 500 *Natura 2000 at Sea*)
- *New MPA Status in 2012 – MAPAMED database online*

Status of MPAs in the Mediterranean Sea (2008)



- **CBD target of protection of 10% is not likely to be achieved in the Mediterranean**
 - Only 3,8% of the Mediterranean Sea is under protection
 - Without Pelagos: 0,4%
 - No-take areas: 0,01%
- **The current Mediterranean MPA system is not representative or coherent**
 - Mostly coastal ; only Pelagos in High-Sea
 - 73.4% of MPA on the northern shoreline
 - No MPA on Gulf of Syrte
 - Distance between MPA don't ensure ecological connections
- **Management in Mediterranean MPAs needs to be more effective**
 - 42% of MPA only have a management plan
 - 80% of MPA haven't enough human and material means in order to implement management measures de gestion

November 2012 :

→ New Status of MPA

→ Mediterranean MPAs Forum -> roadmap

History of the network

- 1990 : MedPAN launched
- 1996 : activities stopped
- 2001 : Port-Cros National Park delegates the relaunching of the network to WWF-France
- 2005 - 2007 : INTERREG III C MEDPAN project with 23 partners
- 2007 : 1st conference of the Mediterranean MPA (Porquerolles – France)
- 2008 : Creation of the MedPAN Organization at the request of MPA managers
- 2009 : Permanent secretariat of the Organization based in Hyères (France)



- « bottom-up » approach
- Project: common actions
- Governance of the network



The MedPAN network

- **aims to facilitate exchanges** between MPAs managers to improve their management efficiency
- **A legally independent structure** with an international governance since 2008
- Secretariat 6 persons in Hyères since 2009



- **9 founding members**, 31 members (MPA managers), 24 partners (other organization that are working on MPAs)– 18 countries
- Board of Directors, Scientific Committee, Advisory Committee, experts groups
- Main donors:

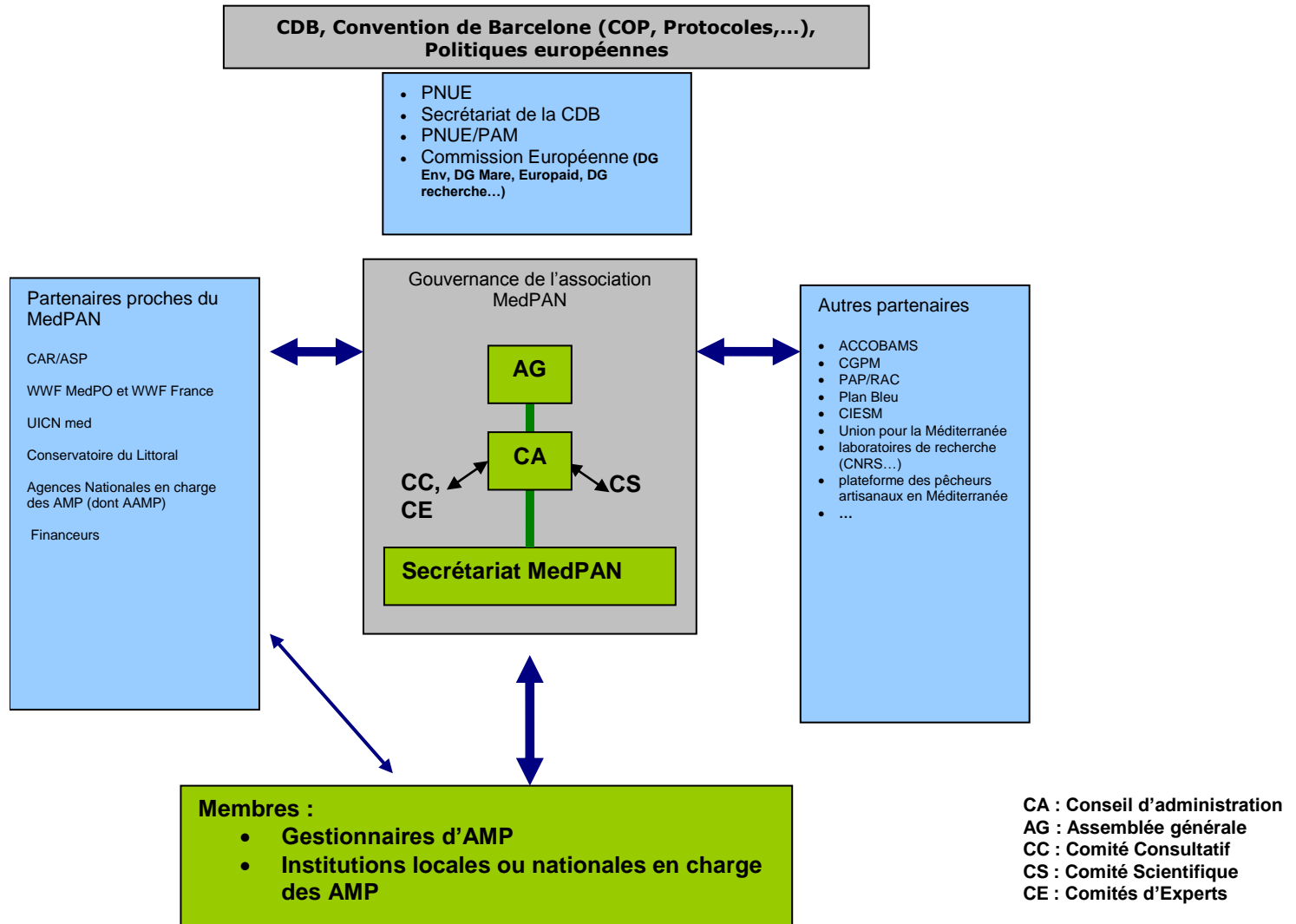


The MedPAN network - partnerships

- Joint activities with **RAC/SPA** (MPA Forum and roadmap, database, MPA Status, capacity building...)
- Official partner of **UNEP/MAP**
 - MedPAN attends Barcelona Convention COP and focal points meetings to represent the network and contribute to the Regional Working Programme for MPAs



- **Other partnerships :**
WWF, IUCN, ACCOBAMS, Conservatoire du Littoral, MedWet/Tour du Valat, GFCM, CIESM...
 - Regional platform of coordination (MedPAN advisory committee)
- Links with **other MPA networks** in the world:
Campam, Rampao, Maia...:
 - Exchange (workshops, trainings...)
 - Representation of MPAs (IMPAC 3 Congress...)



Strategy – Long term Mission

The MedPAN mission is to provide support to MPA managers and relevant organisations to reach and sustain an ecologically representative, well connected, efficiently managed network of Mediterranean MPAs

Thus, it contributes to achieving the objectives of international conventions (CBD, Barcelona Convention Protocol (Specially Protected Areas, ACCOBAMS) and European policies.





Strategy – Long term Vision

- The MedPAN association is consolidated, strengthened in its key missions and operating permanently as a reference network for MPA managers
- The MedPAN network contributes to establishing an ecologically representative network of MPAs, consistent and effectively managed
- The MedPAN network is recognized as being a unifier, collaborative, and it operates with its partners with a concerted and coherent approach.



Key Strategy Points

3 main strategic axes

- **Axis 1** : Being a network sentinel, for knowledge, for survey or for synthesis and anticipation
- **Axis 2** : Enhancing the network's existence; being interactive and giving support to its members' capacity for an effective management of MPAs
- **Axis 3** : Reinforce the MedPAN network's sustainability, its prominence and representation, transparency, its governance and resources

5 major transverse intervention areas

- Knowledge for management use: A Scientific Strategy
- Ensure the network is alive and give support to the structure: A communication strategy
- Training and capacity building on the ground: A strategy for management capacity building
- Sustainable financing for management and the network: a sustainable funding strategy
- Consolidation of the Secretariat and governance of the MedPAN association.

Some MedPAN recurrent activities

MPA database,
Status Report and MPA Forum
every 4 years

Call for small projects

Exchange workshops
Resource center
(documents, directory...)

Tools, exchange visits,
trainings, experts database

Sub-regional projects and
MPA good practices/lessons learnt
Capitalization & spread

Website, e-newsletter

MedPAN governance bodies
Representation « voice of MPAs »
Partners coordination



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