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Progress Report¹
Covering the project activities from 01/10/2018 to 31/10/2019

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31/10/2019

LIFE PROJECT NAME or Acronym
Advanced Noise Control strategies in HarbOuR

Data Project

Project location:	Italy, Spain, Greece
Project start date:	01/10/2018
Project end date:	30/09/2021 Extension date: <dd/mm/yyyy >
Total budget:	€ 1,011,383
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Section 1 - Overall assessment of the achievements and as to whether the project objectives and work plan are still viable (2 pages max)

A. Preparatory actions

Extensive state of the art of the existing methodologies for assessing and tackling port noise pollution was produced during this action. The result is the best practices state of the art for tackling noise pollution caused by port activities.

The “Follower stakeholder platform” was implemented as a cooperation network of stakeholders (national and international) directly involved in the project activities and know-how sharing. Followers signed 10 letters of interest and will take part to the project decisions and Steering Committee.

A proper measurement strategy was developed by means of a set of key indicators to assure the correct development of the project and dissemination activities.

B. Core actions

A set of “Figures of merit” was released by ADSPMETS and is now being implemented by the technical department for authorizations of Livorno Port Authority. The final operative procedure to be followed by all operators will be released by the end of 2019.

In Patras port, the technical specifications of the low-cost monitoring system were defined, in order to customize and evaluate the offers achieved for the still ongoing public tenders for the system implementation.

Melilla Port Authority defined the methodology and goals of a common Port Noise Impact Assessment (PNIA) based on its experience on ongoing noise mapping and noise management. The First Intermediate meeting of the project was organized, offering a Public in Melilla with more than 40 participants. The Conference The event was livestreamed and simultaneous translation in English were provided. Furthermore, a technical visit was carried out in the area of Melilla port, allowing the partners to get more detailed knowledge about the port noise pollution as well as to agree the point measurements to characterize the acoustic environment. Finally, an internal meeting was organized.

C. Monitoring of project impact

The Quality Plan was approved during the kick-off meeting, in order to define the project management structure, policies and procedures, organization and the methodology that consortium partners will use during the project to provide assurance that the quality requirements are planned appropriately.

During the kick-off meeting in Rome, was also established the Technical Committee, responsible for observing and assessing the accuracy and feasibility of project actions. In the same meeting, the Steering Committee was established.

A set of Performance indicators of the project was released to ensure an adequate development of core actions on dissemination and information about noise control best governances, warranting a proper awareness arising and long-lasting sustainability promotion concerning noise pollution impact from ports.

Finally, a set of suitable socio-economic indicator regarding the impact of project actions was defined to assess the impact of noise reduction and containment actions deriving from noise pollution in ports, in terms of growth and improvement of the perceived quality of life.

D. Communication and dissemination of the project and its results

A close networking has been established with LIFE projects DYNAMAP and MONZA, in order to share the main results on low-cost monitoring systems, and with the INTERREG projects RUMBLE, TRIPLO and MONACUMEN for the management of port noise. In addition to the noise data from the noise monitoring system installed in Patras port and Melilla port, those of a noise monitoring system to be installed in Livorno port, funded by another EU project, will be used for the project purpose.

A Replication plan on methods and contents to transfer results and know-how of the project, to support interested administrative entities (Port Authorities, Administrative entities, etc.) to apply the same experience.

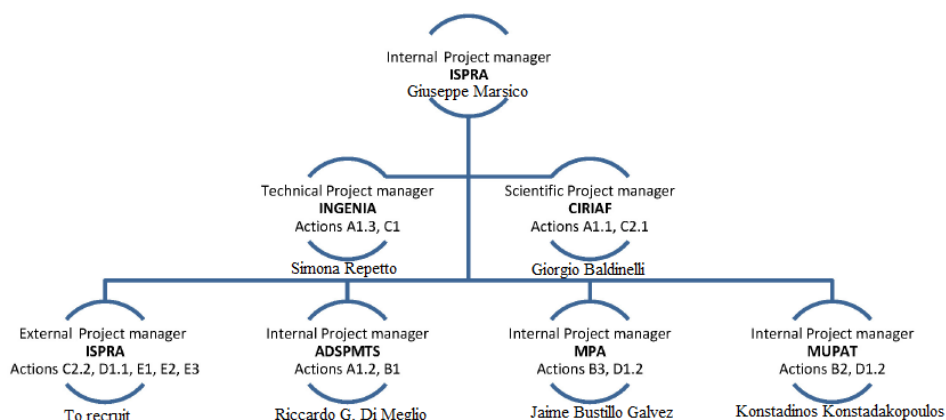
The following activities of this section were made in house as agreed in the First Monitoring:

- 1) The Communication and Dissemination Plan was released to increase visibility of the project, according to the available time and budget. This document defines the global communication strategy, both in terms of internal and external communication.
- 2) The official Noticeboard of the project was released to be showed during all the future events.
- 3) The project website (<https://www.anchorlife.eu>) was drafted and published online.
- 4) Social media accounts of the project on the platforms Facebook, Twitter, Linkedin and Instagram were created.

E. Project management

During the kick-off meeting, the following review of the Project Management structure was agreed as reported on page 98 of the project proposal, as follows: the External Project Manager has been replaced by a Co-Project Manager that will support the ISPRA Project Manager; the ISPRA Project Manager has been moved up to the head of the PM structure; the Scientific Project Manager coordinates the Steering Committee.

Regarding to the Co-PM, the recruitment procedures are still ongoing and will end by 2019. In the following, the final Management Chart with the indication of the Action leaders:



Two Conference calls were organized to discuss with other project partners about what kind of devices to use for the SPNMS, the possibility of buying or tendering the system as well as how to storage data.

The Partnership Agreement has been sent to all the partnership for the digital signatures.

Section 2 - Identified deviations, problems and corrective actions taken in the period (max 2 pages)

The project encountered some difficulties related to the management of the project.

Firstly, the change of the Project Manager in the early months, just after the kick-off meeting held in November 2018, internal rules of the Institute. The present PM was appointed before the end of 2018.

The public tender procedures, provided by the proposal and necessary to externalize the activities related to communication and dissemination, are still ongoing. In this regard, issues with those procedures, due to National rules recently come in force in Italy, caused some delay. In particular, on the day of the First Monitoring meeting, the following deliverables were still missing: State of the art of best practices for port noise management, Project website, Noticeboards, Communications plan, Definition of a suitable socio-economic indicator, ANCHOR LIFE information materials.

In order to manage this delay, ISPRA realized in house all the above mentioned deliverables of the project, also to take into account of the financial difference between the daily rate of the previous PM and the current one.