

Workshop: What can EUSAIR do to enable the blue and green sustainable growth in EUSAIR: MSP in EUSAIR state of the art

State of the Art of od MSP situation in Slovenia

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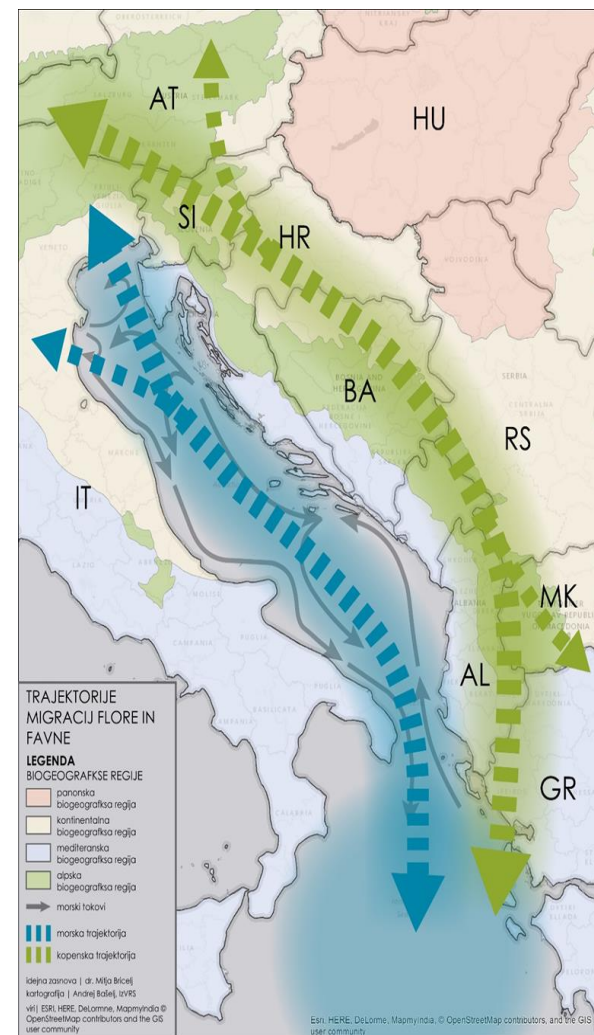
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Environmental Quality and Blue Growth

Focus on the interrelationship between environment and Sustainable Blue Economy and in particular on how they are interdependent and how they can strengthen each other.

1. To ensure a good environmental and ecological status of the marine and coastal environment in line with the relevant EU *acquis* and the ecosystem approach of the Barcelona Convention.
2. To contribute to the goal of the EU Biodiversity Strategy to halt the loss of biodiversity and the degradation of ecosystem services, and restore them in so far as feasible, by addressing threats to marine and terrestrial biodiversity.
3. To improve waste management by reducing waste flows to the sea and, to reduce nutrient flows and other pollutants to the rivers and the sea.



Interpillar and crossborder projects

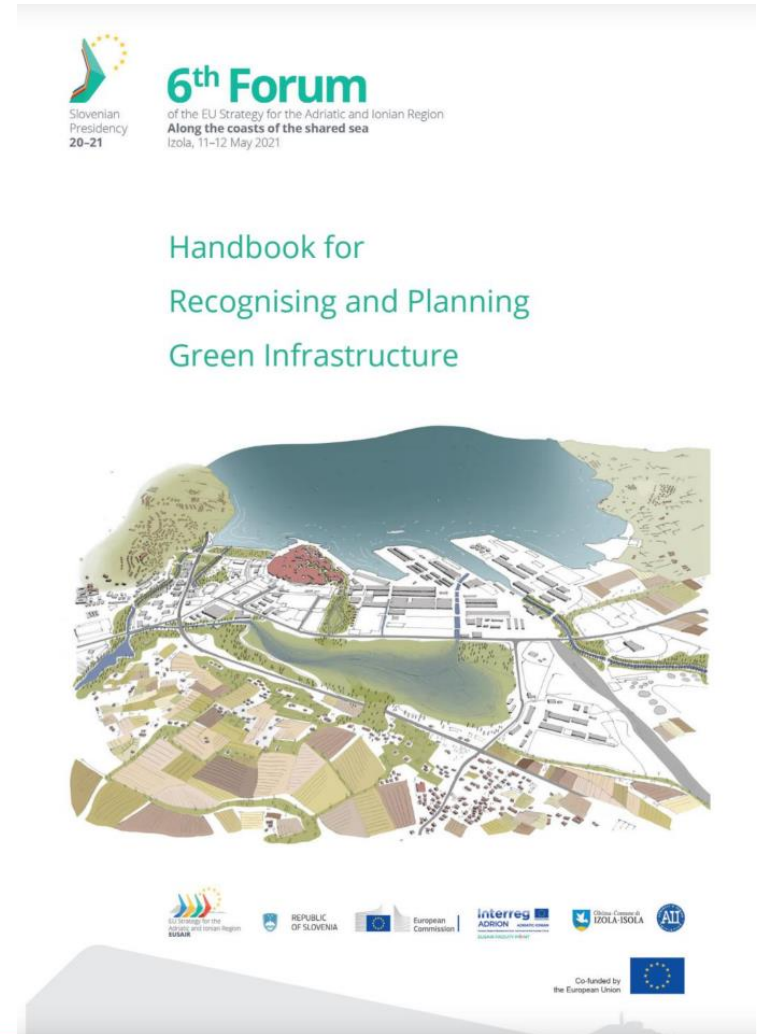
ICZM/MSP Promotion of sustainable growth of the AI region by implementing ICTM and MSP, and also to contribute CRF on ICZM of the Barcelona convention

1. To combine transboundary/cross-border ICZM and MSP as inclusive and complementary instruments/approaches to help strengthening institutional capacity to apply the ecosystem approach, to protect environment, and to manage natural and cultural assets.
2. To use ICZM and MSP as tools to help keeping in balance environmental protection and social-economic development, also considering the increasing pressures of human activities and environmental changes, including CC.



Handbook for green Infrastructure and spatial planning

- Preparation of the **Handbook** with the national Ministries, Municipalities, Institute for Water of the Republic of Slovenia, University of Ljubljana and EUSAIR TSG3 that is available here:
<https://www.adriatic-ionian.eu/event/6th-annual-eusair-forum/handbook-for-recognising-and-planning-green-infrastructure/>



Preparation of the draft MSP

- Initial assessment, scenario building, LSI, SUPREME project, ESPON INTERPLACE MSP-LSI project **workshop November 2018**
- Preparation of the first draft MSP + the baseline of the Environmental Report intensive communication with stakeholders, public presentation to **key stakeholders** and **Istrian municipalities in July 2020**
- A **public debate** on the draft MSP and Environmental Report was carried out in **January and February 2021**. Stakeholders participated in the debate by presenting their comments and suggestions. Ministries and state public services provided their opinions regarding compliance with regulations and development documents within their respective competences and professional bases.
- During this time, the Ministry also carried out a **cross-border consultation procedure with Croatia and Italy**: Italy submitted its comments (which, however, had no significant impact on the content of the MSP).
- Following the public debate, the Ministry examined the comments and suggestions and prepared answers.



Implementation adopted in other documents and decisions

- Marine Spatial Plan of Slovenia, adopted in June 2021
- Blue Corridors in EU Sustainable blue economy, Council decision May 2021 - <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM:2021:240:FIN>



Slovenia has defined blue corridors in the Marine Spatial Plan of Slovenia (MSPS) as an important measure to ensure good ecological status in Adriatic Ecoregion.



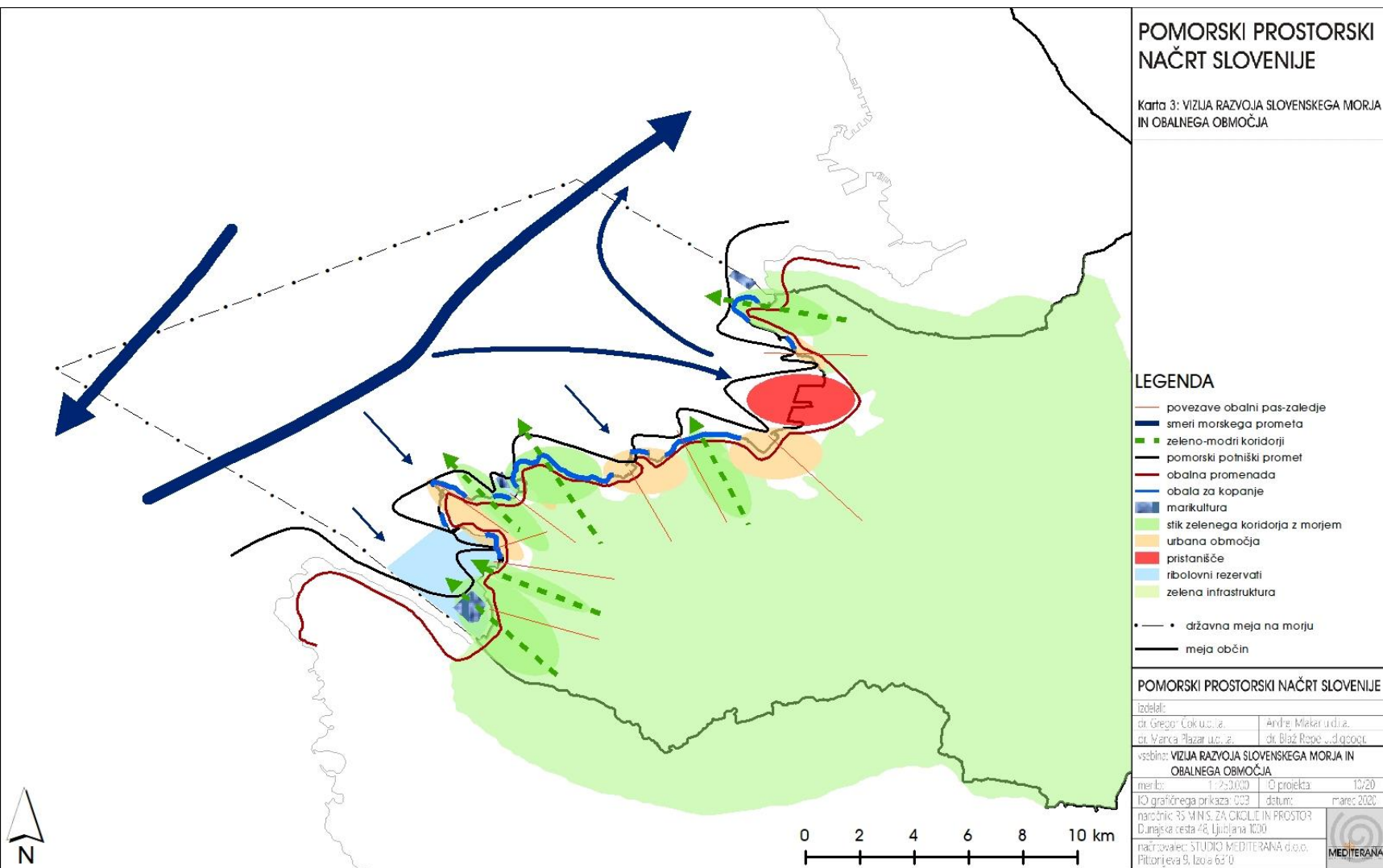
Content of MSP

- MSP - an **umbrella strategic (spatial development) document**, provides spatial development guidelines for activities and uses in the sea and coastal area.
- **sets goals and guidelines** for the development of activities and uses at sea with the aim of achieving sustainable growth of the maritime economy, sustainable development of marine areas and sustainable use of marine resources.
- MSP - prepared as an **action plan for the implementation of the Spatial Development Strategy of Slovenia at sea**.
- It lays down concrete priorities, measures and guidelines **for the 10 years future** period.
- The MSP defines the spatial and temporal distribution of activities and uses at sea in the fields of energy, maritime transport, fisheries and aquaculture, raw materials extraction and environmental protection, including activities that increase resilience to the effects of climate change, tourism, underwater cultural heritage and urban development.
- All these activities and uses already co-exist in the Slovenian sea. There are no new activities and uses planned in the area covered by MSP.



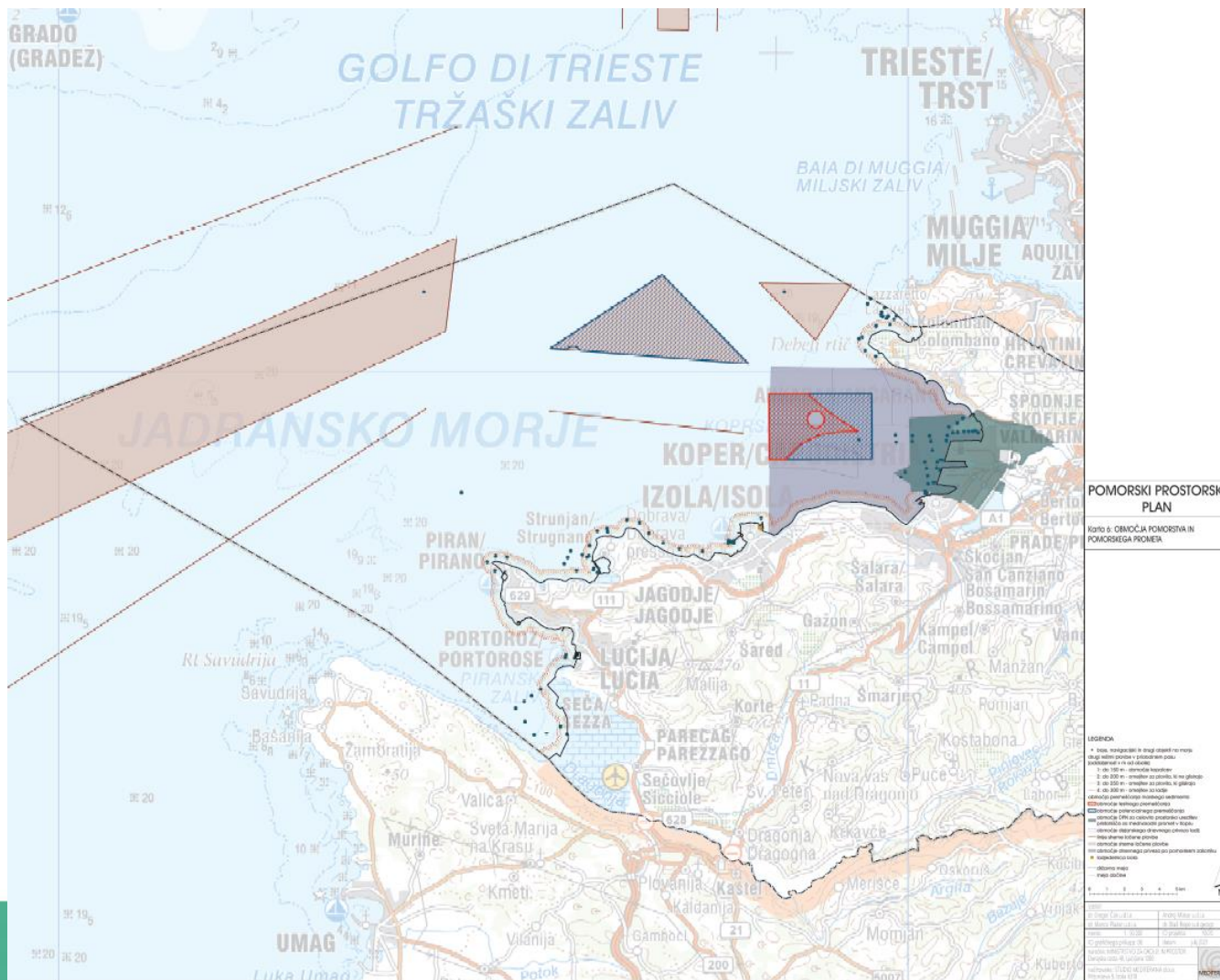
Vision of the development of the Slovenian sea and coastal area

- further development of the main directions of maritime transport and the port of Koper
- permanent and coordinated implementation of all related activities with the sea
- ensuring the sustainable conservation of nature and protection



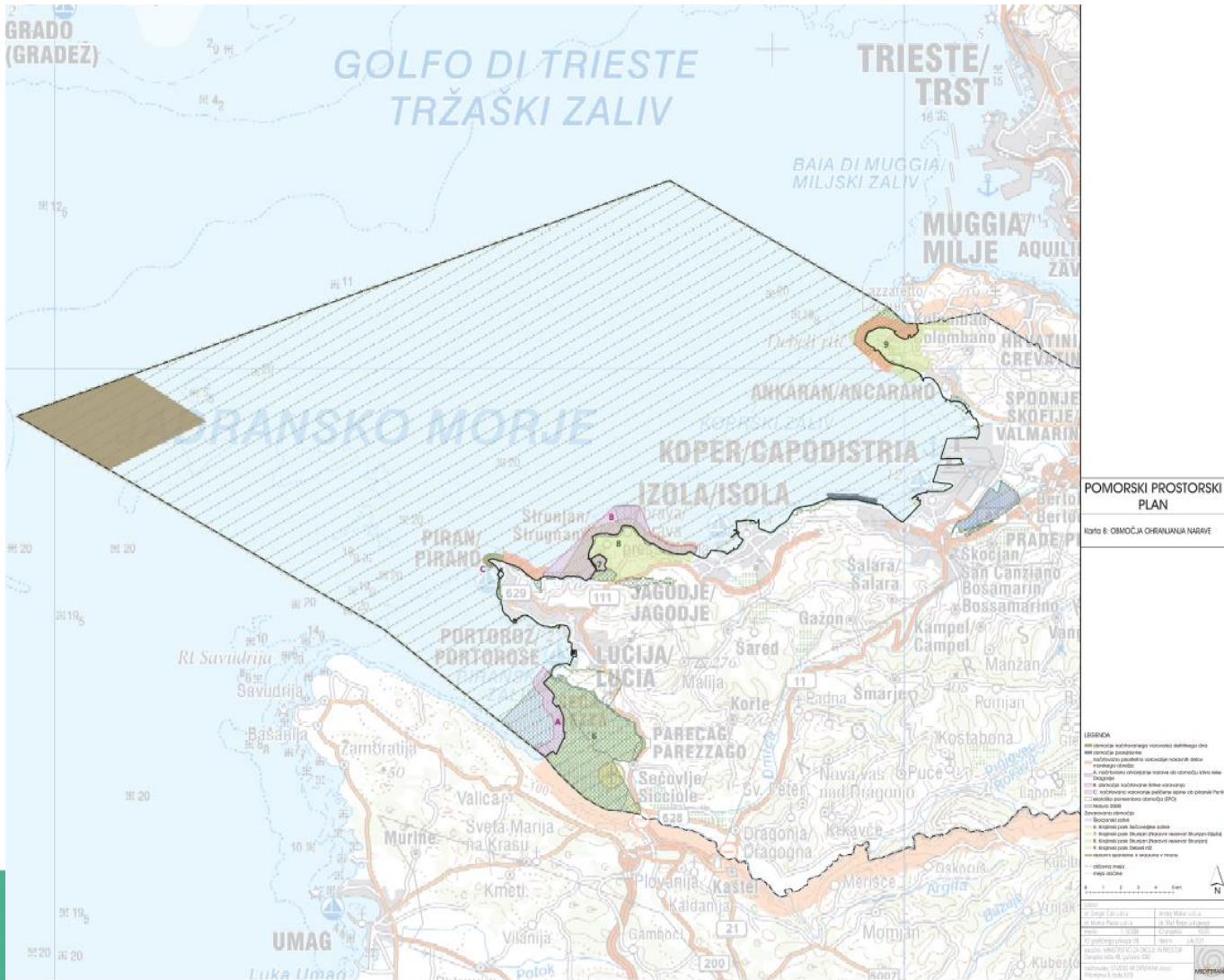
MARITIME TRANSPORT AREAS (4/12)

- Separate navigation scheme (interstate agreement)
- Navigation corridor to the Port of Trieste
- other regimes to ensure safe navigation (especially the coastal zone)



MARITIME CONSERVATION/PROTECTION AREAS (6/12)

- the map provides a comprehensive overview of protection regimes and restrictions
- note: protected areas, ecologically important areas, NATURA 2000:
 - One bordering to Italy (ANKARAN/ANCARANO – MILJE/MUGGIA)
 - two bordering to Croatia (Dragonija and on the Sea - EUSAIR MPA extension possibilities)

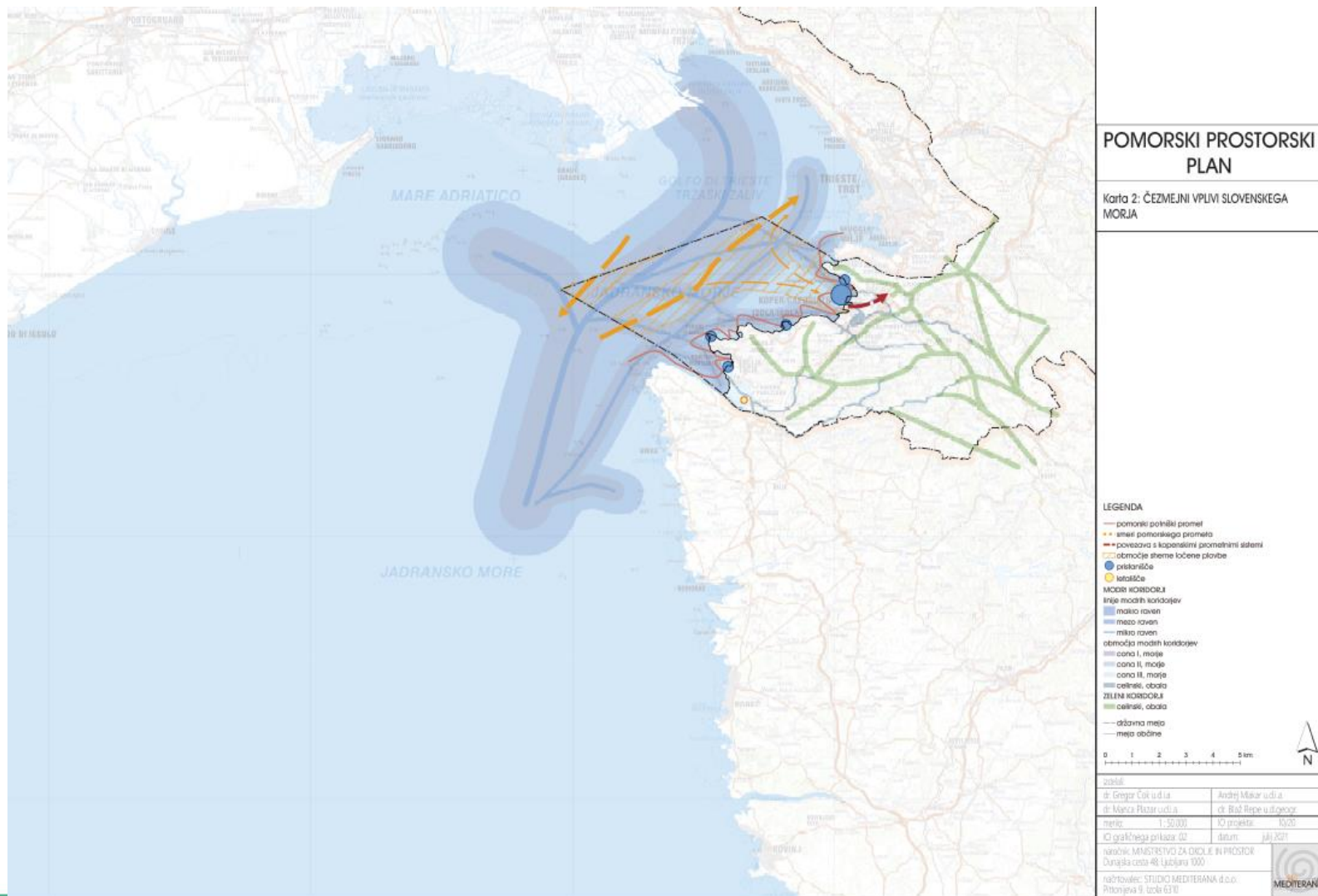


Slovenia MPA:
3%

With the new
MSP: 10%



EUSAIR CROSS-BORDER OPORTUNITIES : BLUE AND GREEN vs. TRANSPORT COORIDSORS IN ONE PICTURE



Thank you for your attention!
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